

Tarleton State University expressly discloses the following:

1. Texas State House Bill 1508, effective September 1, 2017, requires notice regarding the consequences of a criminal conviction on eligibility for an occupational license:
 - a. The potential ineligibility of an individual who has been convicted of an offense for issuance of an occupational license on completion of the educational program;
 - b. The current guidelines issued by the applicable licensing authority (See, Texas Occupations Code, Sec. 53.025). In particular, the licensing authority's guidelines must state the reasons a particular crime is considered to relate to a particular license and any other criterion that affects the decisions of the licensing authority. A "licensing authority" is a state agency or political subdivision that issues an occupational license;
 - c. Any other state or local restriction or guideline used by the licensing authority to determine the eligibility of an individual who has been convicted of an offense for an occupational license issued by the licensing authority; and
 - d. The right of an individual to request a criminal history evaluation letter (See, Texas Occupations Code, Sec. 53.102).
2. As a provider of principal and superintendent certification programs, Tarleton State University must ensure its programs and students demonstrate adherence to standards set forth by the State Board for Educator Certification Rules. An arrest, indictment, conviction, and/or deferred adjudication may result in a student being dismissed from the program.
3. While Tarleton State University does not perform criminal history background checks, Texas public schools are permitted by state law to conduct criminal background checks on a person intended for hire or a person who has requested a volunteer position. As a participant in external requirements, such as internships, practicums, field experiences, or other educational activities required of a program in a Texas public school, students may be subject to a criminal history background check.
4. Admission into the Tarleton State University principal or superintendent certification programs and participation in the programs does not constitute any guarantee that students will be accepted into external requirements, such as internships, practicums, field experiences, or other educational activities or placements in a Texas public school. If there is a lack of opportunities in a district, a representative(s) from Tarleton State University may seek additional assistance for placement. Failure to participate external requirements may prevent a student from completing the certification program and restrict a student from participating in certification exams required by the State of Texas.
5. While Tarleton State University does not perform criminal history background checks, the Texas State Board for Educator Certification requests information regarding any previous arrest, indictment, conviction, and/or deferred adjudication. When applying for state certification, a student will be subjected to a criminal history background check by the State Board for Educator Certification. An applicant with a criminal history may be denied certification.