



## Jones International University® K-12 Educators Program Checklist

Candidate's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Last 4 Digits of Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

To ensure that you are equipped to reach any goals you may have of becoming a licensed K-12 educator in your chosen state, please discuss the following items with your Jones International University (JIU) Admissions Counselor. Please initial next to each item to show that you have read and understand all requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that JIU confers degrees, but each individual state, not JIU, makes the decision as to whether or not I will be licensed as a teacher, principal, or administrator.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand how to find, have thoroughly reviewed and will continue to review the licensure requirements of my state's department of education. Because each state's department of education has different and changing requirements, I understand that I am responsible for understanding and following the steps that I must take to become a licensed teacher, principal or administrator in my state.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I may be required to pass state-specific assessment exams to become a licensed teacher, principal or administrator in my state. I understand that I am responsible for knowing about and passing any exams that are required in my state.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I must be endorsed in a specific content area (elementary education, English, mathematics, etc.) to become a licensed teacher in my state. I understand that my bachelor's degree must be aligned with a state-approved endorsement area. I understand, as well, that endorsement areas vary from state to state.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that, to be enrolled in the JIU School of Education MEd degree programs, I must hold an earned bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university. Likewise, to be enrolled in the JIU School of Education EdD degree programs, I must also hold an earned master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree and understand that I must submit to a FBI background check to participate in any K-12 Education Program at JIU. Because the FBI background check takes up to twelve weeks for completion, I agree to apply for the FBI background check as soon possible upon admission to JIU. I also understand that I will be dismissed from the program for incomplete documents if my FBI background check is not on file in the Registrar's Office by the time I complete two classes or sixteen weeks (whichever comes first).

*\*Students with a criminal background should contact the School of Education for further discussion regarding their suitability for K-12 Education. If you have a current license that is less than two years old, this may be used in place of an FBI background check.\**

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that my particular state might have specific course requirements that are not met by the JIU School of Education (e.g., a course on state history).

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that JIU created its K-12 educator programs in accord with Colorado law and the rules of the Colorado State Board of Education (CSBE). I understand that Colorado law, CSBE rules and JIU policies may be different than the laws, rules and regulations in my state and are subject to change without prior notice.

Candidate's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_