CSPG No. 55 Instructional Area Code 7205
July 1, 2004

**Certification Staffing Assignment**
**MUSIC EDUCATION**
**(K-12)**

Music Education is the science or art of teaching music and music appreciation programs at various educational levels and provides the means to expand interest, challenge abilities, recognize social responsibilities and privileges and foster physical, emotional intellectual, spiritual and aesthetic growth.

Grade Level Scope of Certificate:
A person holding a valid PA certificate for music education is qualified to teach all courses in grades K through 12.

Certification Assignment:
An educator holding a valid PA certificate for music education is qualified to teach all aspects of music in grades K-12, including: music appreciation, composition, arranging, jazz, humanities, multi-media sound, critical response, aesthetics, conducting, and is qualified for the direction of choral and/or instrumental ensembles, marching band, and orchestra. The PA academic standards for Arts and Humanities are addressed in music education coursework.

A person holding certification in Elementary Education may teach music within a self-contained classroom when such instruction is integrated with the general education of that self-contained classroom.

A person holding a certificate in Special Education may teach music within a self-contained special education class when such instruction is integrated with the special education instruction provided within the self-contained special education classroom.

However, when elementary or special education students are grouped for separately scheduled music classes, the assigned teacher must hold the Music certificate.

Special Considerations:
An educator certified in this field may provide school staff development services regarding their collegial studies/skills ,may serve in the role of mentor or advisor, and may assist students in understanding the "reading" content area materials related to this subject area.

References:
Program Specific Guidelines for Certification

PA Public School Code: §1202
§1212
§1604

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| 22 PA Code: | Chapter 4: | §4.22 |
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| | | §4.31 |
| | Chapter 49: | §49.11 |
| | | §49.81 |

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