

Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation

All applicants and candidates/enrollees are to be informed of the following:

1. All candidates must undergo a criminal history background check prior to employment as an educator; and prior to clinical teaching.
2. The potential ineligibility of an individual who has been convicted of an offense for issuance of a certification on completion of the EPP which can be found in [19 TAC §249.16](#)
3. The right to request a criminal history evaluation letter as provided in [Chapter 227, Subchapter B \(relating to the Preliminary Evaluation of Certification Eligibility.\)](#)
4. An FAQ document is available on the TEA website at <https://tea.texas.gov/texas-educators/investigations/preliminary-criminal-history-evaluation-faqs>.