

INFORMATION FOR
ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
FINGERPRINT CLEARANCE CARD

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – CERTIFICATION UNIT

➤ **AZ DPS FINGERPRINT CLEARANCE CARD**

1. Arizona State Statute A.R.S. § 15-534 (B) requires that a certificate holder who applies for any certification service must have a valid fingerprint clearance card.
2. All valid fingerprint clearance cards with an issue date prior to January 1, 2008, will be accepted by Certification.
3. Effective January 1, 2008, per Arizona State Statute A.R.S. § 15-106, all teachers and persons who are required to be fingerprinted to work in the classroom are required to have an **Identity Verified Prints (IVP)** fingerprint clearance card.
4. The applicant must contact the Department of Public Safety ("DPS") by phone, fax or email (see below) to request the form for an **IVP fingerprint clearance card** that is required for ADE teacher certification. All fingerprint applications postmarked by December 31, 2008, will be subject to the current fee of \$51.00. Applications postmarked January 1, 2009, and beyond, will require the new fee of \$69 (see attachment).

Once you have received a valid **Identity Verified Prints Fingerprint Clearance Card** (plastic) from the Arizona Department of Public Safety, please submit a photocopy of your plastic IVP fingerprint clearance card, along with your Application for Certification, to the Arizona Department of Education - Certification Unit.

DPS by Phone or Fax:

Arizona Department of Public Safety
(602) 223-2279 (Phone)
(602) 223-2947 (Fax)

DPS by Mail:

Applicant Clearance Card Team
Arizona Department of Public Safety
2320 North 20th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85005-8390

Physical Address:
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