

STEPS FOR STATE AND FEDERAL CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK

IN-STATE APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT, LICENSURE, or PRE-SERVICE TEACHER paying for your own state and federal criminal records check, follow these steps:

APPLICANT IS INITIATING THE BACKGROUND CHECK	INSTRUCTIONS	ONLINE LINKS (All links may be found by going to arkansased.org, click on "E", then click on "Educator Licensure Unit", then on "Background Check Requirements")
 "APPLICANT" For Licensure (first license, reciprocity, renewal, preservice teacher) For Classified Employment For Licensed - Transfer of Employment 	Read the instructions given on the Online Payments for ASP and FBI document. Pay online with a debit or credit card. Print the receipt.	Online Payment Instructions: http://www.arkansased.gov/public/userfiles/HR and Educator Effectiveness/HR Educator Licensure/Ins tructions for payment for online ASP and FBI ba ckground checks revised 10 03 2016.pdf Online Payment Webpage: www.ar.gov/ADEbackground
	STEP TWO Complete the ONLINE CONSENT FORM. Print the form when completed. (The applicant may download the form to a mobile device.)	Online Consent Form: http://adeaels.arkansas.gov/AelsWeb/Consent/Consent1.aspx
	STEP THREE Go to a live scan fingerprinting location* for fingerprinting, and bring with you: A copy of the receipt with the transaction number (an electronic copy is acceptable) A copy of the Online Consent Form (an electronic copy is acceptable) Your government-issued photo ID	List of Live Scan Locations: http://www.arkansased.gov/public/userfiles/HR_and_Educator_Effectiveness/HR_Educator_Licensure/Live_Scan_Locations_01_17_2017.pdf Map of Education Service Cooperatives: http://www.arkansased.gov/public/userfiles/HR_and_Educator_Effectiveness/HR_Educator_Licensure/background_checks/Map_of_Education_Service_Cooperatives.pdf

- * Local law enforcement offices do NOT typically offer live scan fingerprinting for school employees.
- * If electronic fingerprinting is not used or the fingerprints cannot be obtained by electronic fingerprinting, the applicant must obtain an <u>ADE preprinted fingerprint card</u>. <u>NO OTHER FINGERPRINT CARD IS ACCEPTED</u>. If a fingerprint card other than an ADE preprinted fingerprint card is used, the fingerprint card will be returned to the applicant, who will have to be re-fingerprinted. Note that a background check using a fingerprint card will take longer to process.
- * If fingerprints are rejected by the FBI, the applicant will be asked to obtain inked fingerprints. The State Police will send the applicant a letter and the instructions in that letter should be followed explicitly. If the inked fingerprints are also rejected, the FBI will conduct a records check using the applicant's name.