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The Professional Education Unit intends to carry out its responsibilities as described in the event that teacher education candidates have histories of criminal convictions by adhering to the following policies.

1. As required by law, the Professional Education Unit will,
  - 1.1. require teacher education candidates to secure criminal background clearances and child abuse clearances.
  - 1.2. collect, examine, and maintain copies of these criminal background clearances and child abuse clearances
2. The Professional Education Unit will prohibit teacher education candidates from participating in early field experiences and student teaching experiences, as is required by the statute, if they have been convicted of crimes outlined in 24 P.S. § 1-111, except where, pursuant to section 1-111(f.1), the ban is temporary and the specified period of the ban has expired. In this situation, the provisions of paragraph 3 (below) shall apply.
3. The Professional Education Unit will not prohibit otherwise qualified teacher education candidates from participating in practicum experiences and student teaching experiences on the basis of convictions for crimes other than those outlined in 24 P.S. § 1-111, since there is no statutory basis for doing so. However, the following provisions pertain to these cases:
  - 3.1. Copies of the criminal history reports of a teacher education candidate will be made available to school district personnel at the time requests for placements for field experience and/or stud

Millersville University Professional  
Education Unit  
Statement of Understanding Pertaining to Criminal Convictions  
and Continuation in Teacher Education

This Statement of Understanding is designed to clarify events and circumstances related to cases involving teacher education candidates with criminal arrests or convictions as evidenced on the Pennsylvania State Criminal History Record (Act 34), Federal (FBI) Criminal History Report (Act 114), or Child Abuse Report (Act 151). Furthermore, the Statement of Understanding outlines the ramifications this has for the candidate's continuation in the program.

Your signa

An offense designated as a felony under the act of A

I hereby give Millersville University my permission to share all legal documents and results of ACT 34 (PA Criminal Background Check), ACT 151 (PA Child Abuse Check) and ACT 114 (FBI Fingerprinting) clearances, as well as TB test results, to school districts for the purpose of potential field placement opportunities. I give my permission for my early field experience placement(s) as well as my student teaching placement(s).

I have read this Statement of Understanding. My signature below affirms that I understand its contents.

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Student s Name / MUID#

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Department

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Student s Signature

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Date

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D s Designee Signature

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Date

