

Teacher Certification “At-A-Glance”

Note: Certification Rules have changed as of June 20, 2014 – please make sure you are using the most up-to-date information.

Provisional Certificate RENEWAL

First three-year renewal requires completion of **ONE OF THE FOLLOWING**:

- 6 semester hours in a planned program of study earned within three years preceding date of application;
- OR**
- 150 Professional Learning Hours earned within three years preceding date of application (only SCECHs may be used to renew a Provisional Certificate)
- OR**
- Combination of semester credit hours and Professional Learning Hours (SCECHs);
- OR**
- Completion of an approved Master’s or higher degree earned at any time.

NOTE: You may not use DPPD to renew a Provisional Certificate.

Second three-year renewal requirements are the same as the first renewal; however, semester credit hours and/or SCECHs must be completed AFTER the issuance of the first renewal.

Third renewal requires sponsorship by the local school district and approval of MDE.

PROGRESSION From Provisional Certificate To Professional Certificate

Advancement requires **ONE OF THE FOLLOWING** (within the five year period preceding date of application and since the issue date of most recent Provisional Certificate):

- 6 semester credit hours in a planned course of study since the issuance of the Provisional Certificate;
- OR**
- 150 Professional Learning Hours.
* Professional Learning Hours may include both District Provided Professional Development (DPPD) and/or State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs).
- OR**
- A combination of credit hours and Professional Learning Hours equal to 150 hours.
- OR**
- Completion of an approved Master’s or higher degree earned at any time.

NOTE: The cap on 30 hours of DPPD per year has been waived.

In addition to the semester hour requirement, progressing to the Professional Certificate requires:

- Three years successful teaching;
- AND**
- Appropriate reading methods or diagnostics reading class (from the MDE list of approved classes).

**Professional Certificate
RENEWAL**



Advancement requires **ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**
(Completion must be in the five years preceding the date of application and since the issue date of current certificate.)

- **6** semester credit hours in a planned course of study since the issuance of the latest Professional Certificate;
- OR**
- **150** Professional Learning Hours.
* Professional Learning Hours may include both District Provided Professional Development (DPPD) and/or State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs).
- OR**
- A combination of credit hours and Professional Learning Hours equal to **150** hours.

NOTE: The cap on 30 clock hours of DPPD per year has been waived.

PROGRESSION

**From
Professional Certificate
To
Advanced Professional Certificate**



Available September 2016



In addition to the semester hour and Professional Learning requirement for the Professional Certificate, progressing to the Advanced Professional Certificate requires:

- National Board Certification;
- OR**
- Completion of Approved Teacher Leader Program approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

AND

- 5 consecutive effective or highly effective ratings for the 5 most recent evaluations.

**NEW
CONVERSION KEY**

1 semester credit hour is equal to
25 clock hours of DPPD

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1 semester credit hour is equal to
25 SCECHs

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1 clock hour of DPPD is equal to
1 SCECH

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And if you have SBCEUs:

1 SB-CEUs is equal to
10 SCECHs

Note: The content of this notice is limited to very basic information for Teacher Certification only. Questions regarding other types of certificates and information not addressed in this notice should be directed to your Certification Officer, the Michigan Department of Education Office of Professional Preparation Services or the Michigan Education Association (1-800-292-1934)