

Education-Related Professional Learning

In order to meet the requirement defined by the [Teacher Certification Code](#) and Administrative Rule 390.1101, necessary for all certificate renewals or progressions, an educator must accumulate a total of 150 hours of education-related professional learning.

Education-related professional learning is any opportunity intended to improve an educator's practice and capacity to perform the work within the profession of education, with a focus on improving student achievement. These opportunities must be aligned to the educator's grade level of certification and area(s) of endorsement. There are three recognized categories:

- a) Satisfactory college semester credit hours (average grade of C or better) at a [regionally accredited college or university](#), with one semester credit hour being equivalent to 25 education-related professional learning hours.
- b) [State Continuing Education Clock Hours](#) (SCECHs).
- c) Annual [District Provided Professional Development](#) (DPPD) hours.

The following certificates require education-related professional learning:

- [Standard Teaching Certificate Renewal](#)
- [Professional Teaching Certificate](#)
- [Professional Teaching Certificate Renewal](#)
- [Advanced Professional Teaching Certificate Renewal](#)
- [Standard CTE Certificate Renewal](#)
- [Professional CTE Certificate](#)
- [Professional CTE Certificate Renewal](#)
- [School Guidance Counselor License Renewal](#)
- [School Psychologist Certificate Renewal](#)
- [School Administrator Certificate Renewal](#)

Professional learning should be relevant and meaningful, and completed with ethical professionalism. The key factors for ensuring professional learning opportunities will count towards certificate renewal or progression are:

- must be appropriate to grade level and content areas of certification and endorsement; and
- must be completed since the issue date of the most recent certificate.

For more information about what types of professional learning qualifies for use as DPPD, please refer to our [Professional Learning Guidelines](#).