Professional Teaching Certificate Renewal

The Professional Teaching Certificate is a five-year teaching certificate with unlimited renewals. Each renewal adds five years to the certificate’s validity. A renewal can be requested any time after January 1 of the expiration year.

Requirements: (One of the following)

- **Education-Related Professional Learning** totaling 150 hours.
- A valid out-of-state certificate, appropriate for K-12 education may be used one time.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Educators who hold the School Counselor (NT) endorsement on a teaching certificate, regardless of current assignment, must meet the requirements of law (MCL 380.1233(6)) to renew that teaching certificate. Specific information pertaining to renewing a school counselor credential can be accessed via the [School Counselor Credential Renewals](https://www.michigan.gov) document. Endorsements are not renewed; rather, certificates are renewed, and a renewal of that certificate will maintain the existing endorsements. An endorsement can only be removed from a Michigan teaching certificate if the [nullification process](https://www.michigan.gov) is utilized.

**Education-Related Professional Learning Options:**

One of the following Education-Related Professional Learning options must be earned since the issue date of the most recent Professional Teaching Certificate or renewal. These hours must be entered into [Michigan Online Educator Certification System](https://www.michigan.gov) (MOECS) prior to applying for the renewal for the system to recognize your eligibility:

- 6 semester credit hours appropriate to the content and grade level of the certificate and endorsement from a [regionally accredited college or university](https); or
- 6 semester hours in a planned course of study* from a [regionally accredited college or university](https); or
- 150 Michigan [State Continuing Education Clock Hours](https) (SCECHs) appropriate to the content and grade level of the certificate and endorsement; or
- 150 hours of Michigan [District Provided Professional Development](https) (DPPD) appropriate to the content and grade level of the certificate and endorsement.
- Any combination of the above.

**Education-Related Professional Learning Hour Conversion:**

- College credit: 1 semester credit = 25 professional learning hours
- SCECH Hours: 1 SCECH hour = 1 professional learning hour
- DPPD Hours: 1 DPPD hour = 1 professional learning hour

*Credits in a planned course of study may include credits taken as part of an education-related master’s or higher degree or credits in a program that leads to an endorsement.*