

Standard Teaching Certificate Renewal

The Standard 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:

- 150 hours of [Education-Related Professional Learning](#).
- An education-related masters or higher degree earned at any time from a [regionally accredited college or university](#) (may be used one time to renew the Standard Teaching Certificate).
- A valid out-of-state teaching certificate (may be used one time to renew the Standard Teaching Certificate).

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. Information pertaining to renewing a school counselor credential can be accessed via the [School Counselor Credential Renewals](#) 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](#) 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 Standard Teaching Certificate or renewal. These hours must be entered into [Michigan Online Educator Certification System](#) (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](#); or
- 6 semester hours in a planned course of study* from a [regionally accredited college or university](#); or
- 150 Michigan [State Continuing Education Clock Hours](#) (SCECHs) appropriate to the content and grade level of the certificate and endorsement; or
- 150 hours of Michigan [District Provided Professional Development](#) (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.*