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).

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, and they 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.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Credentialed school counselors should be aware that specific professional development is required. For more information go to the After February 5, 2020 of the School Counselor License renewal document.

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

*The Standard Teaching Certificate replaces the Provisional Teaching Certificate pursuant to Administrative Rule 390.1101.

**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.