Free and Low-Cost Online Professional Learning Options Approved for Certificate Renewal and Progression

There are many options for meeting certification renewal and progression requirements. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many of Michigan's State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECH) program sponsors are temporarily offering free and low-cost online professional learning options that will qualify for certificate renewal and progression. The current SCECH catalog does not provide a feature to sort by cost or delivery method (e.g., online, blended). The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has developed this curated list to make it easier to find online resources until updates to the system can be made.

Educators may access additional professional learning options through MDE's online SCECH catalog, as well as other options such as EduPaths Course SCECH listing, the REMC Association's professional learning current offerings, and Michigan Virtual's extensive course catalog. Early Childhood and Out of School Time Professionals may access free training lists on MiRegistry.

Educators can view the Education-Related Professional Learning they have completed and how many hours are still needed by logging into their Michigan Online Educator Certification System (MOECS) account and clicking the Professional Learning tab. After participating in one of the activities, the educator will receive a program evaluation survey. Upon completion of the survey, SCECHs will be awarded to the participant's MOECS account. For additional information about each individual SCECH opportunity, please contact the specific sponsor.

Transition to the Facilitation of Online Learning Programs

Course Title	SCECH Credit	Cost
REMC Association of Michigan Courses	10 per course	Free
Podcast PD: Various topics, including Google Forms, Growing Student Agency and Implementing Google Classroom, and Screen Casting	4-5	$15
Transitioning to Remote Teaching Sessions 1-6	2 per course	Free
Intro to Online Course Facilitation: Practical Knowledge	5	Free
Online National Standards 4: Meeting Needs	2	Free

Leadership and Administration

Course Title	SCECH Credit	Cost
DLN: Project Gameplan – Keeping Compliant Scenarios	6	$20

Literacy

Course Title	SCECH Credit	Cost
Essential Instructional Practices in Early Literacy: Foundations and Pre-K Essential 1 (additional free opportunities available for each of the 10 essentials)	4 per module	Free
Essential Instructional Practices in Early Literacy: School-wide and Center-wide Practices (covers Essentials 1-10)	4	Free
Essential Instructional Practices in Early Literacy: K-3 Essentials 1-10	3-6	Free
Essential Coaching Practices for Elementary Literacy	.5	Free

Blended Classrooms

Course Title	SCECH Credit	Cost
Assessments in the Blended Classroom:	4	$15
Blended Classroom Design	4	$15
Digital Content in the Blended Classroom	4	$15

Mental Health and Social and Emotional Learning

Course Title	SCECH Credit	Cost
Changing Minds to Address Poverty in the Classroom: 7 course series	1 per course	Free
Social-Emotional Learning – 4 Different Courses	6	Free
How Emotional Intelligence Affects Students and School Culture	1	Free
Transition to Remote Teaching 6: SEL Supports	2	Free

Pedagogy – Improving Instructional Practice

Course Title	SCECH Credit	Cost
Education Educator Evaluation in MI: 7 Different Courses	2-3	Free
Differentiated Instruction: Maximizing Learning for All	4	Free
Introduction to Phenomenal Science	12	Free
MyPD	6	$20
MEA/NEA: Elevating the Profession Through Educator Ethics Micro-Credentials (8 courses)	15 each	Free

School Counselor

Course Title	SCECH Credit	Cost
Michigan Virtual Counselor Courses	Various	Free
Understanding the Modern Military	5	Free
MCAN Upcoming Webinars	.5-1	Free
MCAN Webinar Recordings	1 each	Free