

Guidelines for Professional Development that Qualifies for Michigan Legislative Requirements under Michigan Compiled Law Sections 380.1526 and 1527

District provided professional development (DPPD) as required per MCL 380.1526 and 1527 is professional development that is 1) provided by the district or school in some way (financial support, stipend, release time, substitute teachers, access, technology, etc.) and 2) content and/or grade level appropriate.

Professional development that qualifies under [MCL 380.1526](#) and [1527](#) may be used for recertification. DPPD that took place prior to July 1, 2020 may be reported for certificate renewal using the [District Provided Professional Development Record for Certificate Renewal](#). DPPD occurring after July 1, 2020 must be entered as a State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs) program by the district or sponsor.

Examples of Activities	Does it Qualify as Professional Development Under Section 1526? (professional development days for new teachers)	Does it Qualify as Professional Development Under Section 1527? (professional development days for all teachers)
Orientation Experiences (such as district and building orientation)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)	No
Curriculum Development Meetings, School Improvement Committees	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
Professional Learning Communities, Study Groups, Action Research, Study of Student Work, Lesson Study	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
University or College Class	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
Mentoring of New Teachers	Yes (If provided/supported by district and content/grade level appropriate)	Maybe (If new knowledge is gained by veteran teacher while providing formal mentoring)
Instructional Technology	Yes (If it leads to new knowledge about using technology-enhanced methods)	Yes (If it leads to new knowledge about using technology-enhanced methods)

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Sessions Dedicated to Qualifying for North Central Association or MDE Accreditation	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate, and relevant to the needs of a new teacher)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
Conferences/ Workshops • At an On-site Location	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate, unless it already is being counted under 1527)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
• At an Off-site Location	Yes (If it is relevant to the new teachers' classroom needs, unless it is already being counted under 1527)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
Online Learning Experiences (including courses focusing on curriculum content and /or pedagogy)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way, is content/grade level appropriate, and relevant to the classroom needs of the new teacher)	Yes (If provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
Student Teacher Supervision	N/A (Teachers in their first three years in the teaching profession usually do not serve in this role.)	Maybe (If it leads to new knowledge for the supervising teacher, is provided/supported by district in some way and content/grade level appropriate)
Staff Meetings	No (Unless the primary purpose of the meeting is about student learning, instructional strategies, curriculum content, or content specific to the needs of new teachers)	No (Unless the primary purpose of the meeting is about student learning, instructional strategies or curriculum content)
School Safety Trainings (First Aid/CPR, Blood-Borne Pathogens, EpiPen, Active Shooter, etc.)	No	Yes A memo sent on 6/2/22 allows these to count for the 2022-23 academic year.
Procedural Trainings and Drills	No	No
Parent-Teacher Conferences or Back to School Night	No	No
Athletic Coaching Clinics	No	No
Records Day	No	No

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