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Licensure Update (Part 25 Proposed Rules 2014)

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License Types

Professional Educator License (PEL)

Substitute Teacher Licensure (SUB)

Educator License with Stipulations (ELS)

Paraprofessional, Career Tech Ed & Provisional, Out of State Provisional

Licensure Renewal PD Required if working 50% or more (July 1, 2014+)

Prior to July 1, 2014 PD was required for those working less than 50% (prorated)

Per 5-year cycle

120 Clock-hours (After current cycle no reductions for holders of advanced degrees)

Active administrators 100 hours + Annual Administrator Academy (less 2014 PD hours)

Educators with Admin Endorsement take 1 Admin Academy

Exceptions

Retired Educators who will not be using their license After current cycle will not have to renew/nor register (must move license into retirement status in ELIS)

Retired Educators who wish to sub keep their license registered/active - No PD required

Paraprofessionals No PD -but- must register/pay fees

SUBS No PD. After current cycle MUST pass the test of basic skills to renew

National Board Certified 50% reduction of Clock-hours of PD

School Service Personnel with IL Dept of Financial & Professional Regulation -No PD

School Psychologists cannot get licensed via IDFPR as they are not clinical psychologists (prior to 2014 they could use their national to count toward PD. After current cycle they need to complete the 120 Clock-hours of PD)

Teaching SLP endorsement must complete Clock-hours of PD

Non-Teaching SLP endorsement - No PD

CTE Provisional Must Complete 20 Hours College and TAP Exam

Penalties (As of 9-1-14 have completed PD & registered license to remain in classroom.)

Lapsed License (PD) 9-1-14 for not completing PD renewal process

Lapsed License (Registration) 12-31-14 for not registering License

Penalties 9 hours of college or \$500 Fee (\$150 Para pros), & all owed PD (new), may not be employed in licensed position

Clock Hours of PD / Evidence

Enter clock hours of PD into ELIS within 60-days of completion (starting 7-1-14, or credit is lost)

Clock-hours of PD are now issued (formerly known as CPDU's)

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Acceptable Activities

Increase the knowledge and skills of school and district leaders who guide continuous PD

Improve the learning of students

Organize adults into learning communities with goals aligned with school/district

Deepen educator content knowledge

Provide educators with research-based instructional strategies to assist students in meeting rigorous academic standards

Prepare educators to use various types of classroom assessments

Use learning strategies appropriate to the intended goals

Provide educators with the knowledge and skills to collaborate

Prepare educators to apply research to decision making

Proposed Rules & PD

Rules May Go into Effect Dec 2014

Mid Cycle License Holders (renewing after 7-1-14) Requirements for remaining PD hours will be honored through remainder of current renewal cycle

CPDU's earned prior to 7-1-14 must be entered into ELIS ASAP (deadline 12-31-14)

Uniquely qualifying activities - some will count (programs completed by Aug 31, 2014 with ELIS process completed prior to Dec 31, 2014 *example apply for an endorsement)

Other Renewal Changes

Audit of Educator PD by ISBE not ROE (new)

Educators issued "BAD PD" credit - ISBE will penalize the provider not the educator

The number of PD Providers will be limited (example: school districts, ROE's, Colleges with IL Approval) other providers expire 12-31-14

PD Providers will comply with annual reporting requirements

PD Provider Audits target: Student Growth, Teacher Performance, SIP Alignment

Upcoming Changes

Licensure Exams going electronic (Sept 2015)

Gifted Endorsement (Seminar & Test by Feb 2015) *flyer available

New ISBE Forms

Evidence of Completion For Professional Development (ISBE 77-21B 6/14)

Evaluation for Workshop, Conference, Seminar, Etc. (ISBE 77-21A 6/14)

Entering Clock-hours for PD into ELIS

The "ABCDE" purpose codes have been eliminated from the process - however - during the ELIS system update - simply write in any of the acceptable activities listed above (the system forces a data entry) example "Improve the learning of students"

CERTIFICATE RENEWAL for Mid-Cycle

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- Uniquely-qualifying activities will satisfy all renewal requirements if they were completed by August 31, 2014.
- Any degree earned must be conferred or any subsequent endorsement issued by December 31, 2014 to receive credit for the uniquely-qualifying activity.

CERTIFICATE RENEWAL for Mid-Cycle

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- A licensee with a **School Support Personnel** endorsement who holds a current and valid license from one of the following has satisfied all professional development renewal requirements.
 - Nationally Certified School Psychologist;
 - Nationally Certified School Nurse;
 - Nationally Certified Counselor; or
 - Certificate of Clinical Competence from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

LICENSE RENEWAL Beginning 7/1/14

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- Licensees working 50% or more full-time equivalency must complete requirements specific to endorsements held or positions assigned.
- **Speech Language Pathologist (Teaching)** regardless of whether they hold an IDFPR license: 120 clock hours of PD.
- **Teaching** fields and **School Support Personnel** who do not also hold an IDFPR or national license: 120 clock hours of PD.

LICENSE RENEWAL Beginning 7/1/14

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- **Teacher Leaders:** 100 Clock hours of PD plus one AA course each fiscal year in which the licensee is assigned to an administrative position for at least 50% of the school day.
- **Licensees holding administrative endorsements but NOT WORKING as administrators:** 120 clock hours of PD including one AA course during the first full 5-year renewal cycle in which the endorsement was held for at least one year. The AA will count toward the total 120 hours.

LICENSE RENEWAL Beginning 7/1/14

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- **Administrators:** 100 clock hours of PD plus one AA course each fiscal year working in an administrative position.
- **NBPTS Master Teachers:** 60 clock hours of PD if holding a current NBPTS Master Teacher Designation.
- **School Support Personnel:** No PD renewal requirements if holding a current and active IDFPR or national license related to the endorsement area.

LICENSE RENEWAL Beginning 7/1/14

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- **Career & Technical Educators:** 120 clock hours of PD.
- Coursework completed for license renewal will be considered "related to education" if it leads to a PEL or,
- for individuals holding a PEL, an endorsement on that license for the skill area of instruction, or
- **if it relates to the field of an individual's current teaching assignment or any other field of teaching assignment.**

LICENSE RENEWAL Beginning 7/1/14

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Educators who are not working as administrators, but hold an administrative endorsement, must complete a special **Administrators' Academy course within each** 5-year cycle or they will not be allowed to renew their licenses.

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- Beginning July 1, 2014, licensees who complete PD activities must enter each one into ELIS within 60 days of completion.
- Beginning July 1, 2015, PD activities not entered into ELIS within 60 days will not count.
- **Administrators' Academy courses will** continue to be entered by the ROEs/ISCs.

LICENSE RENEWAL Beginning 7/1/14

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- Licensees must **renew** (submit the list of PD in ELIS) licenses between April 1 and June 30 of the last year of the renewal cycle.
- **Licenses will lapse on September 1** of the last year of the cycle if not renewed, but they are valid for working in the public schools through August 31.

Renewal



- Licensees who did not complete PD to **renew** their licenses after July 1, 2014, may reinstate lapsed licenses by paying a \$500 penalty **OR** completing 9 semester hours of coursework, **AND** completing any deficient PD hours.
- Licenses not **registered** (registration fees not paid) for 6 months after the renewal date (January 1) will lapse and the licensees may reinstate those lapsed licenses by paying a \$500 penalty **OR** completing 9 semester hours of coursework.