A Summary of the New Administrative Rules

Per The Michigan Department of Education, Office of Professional Preparation Services (MDE-OPPS) administrative rules have been filed with the Office of the Great Seal and became effective on May 18, 2012.

Renewal of Provisional Certificate after September 1, 2013
(work experience not required)

First - Three Year Renewal - ONE of the following:

- 6 semester credit hours (in a planned program) at an approved Teacher Prep Institution (TPI) or
- 180 clock hours of State Continuing Education (in approved professional development activities appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement(s) of the certificate held) or
- A combination of credit hours and State Continuing Education hours equal to 6 semester credit hours (30 clock hours = 1 semester credit hour) or
- Master’s (or higher degree) within a K-12 area.

Second - Three Year Renewal - ONE of the following:

- 6 semester credit hours (in a planned program) at an approved Teacher Prep Institution (TPI) since first renewal date or
- 180 clock hours of State Continuing Education (in approved professional development activities appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement(s) of the certificate held since first renewal date) or
- A combination of credit hours and State Continuing Education hours equal to 6 semester credit hours (30 clock hours = 1 semester credit hour) since first renewal date or
- Master’s (or higher degree) within a K-12 area.

Third - Three Year Renewal:

- Must be District sponsored
- Apply directly to MDE
Professional Education Certificate after September 1, 2013

- Include evidence of 3 years of successful teaching experience.
- Completion of 3 semester credit hours in an approved course of study in the diagnosis and remediation of reading disabilities, including field experiences.

**AND**

- A professional education certificate must also include ONE (1) of the following:
  - **Six semester credit hours** in a planned program at an approved TPI / or 6 semester credit hours of academic credit appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) at any approved college or university or
  - **180 clock hours of state continuing education** (CE) in approved professional development activities appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate or
  - District provided Professional Development (PD) completed through professional development programs that are appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate or
  - A combination of semester credit hours, state continuing education hours (30 clock hours of state continuing education hours are equivalent to 1 semester credit hour), or district provided professional development – (30 clock hours of annual district provided professional development is equivalent to 1 semester credit hour or 30 clock hours of state continuing education) that equals 6 semester hours.

Professional Education Certificate 5-Year Renewal

Must hold a Professional Education Certificate, does not require further work experience. Must complete ONE of the following:

- **6 semester credit hours** in a planned program at a TPI or 6 semester hours appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate at any approved college or university or
- **180 clock hours of state continuing education** in approved professional development activities appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate or
- District provided Professional Development completed through professional development programs that are appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate or
- A combination of semester credit hours, state continuing education hours (30 clock hours of state continuing education hours are equivalent to 1 semester credit hour), or district provided professional development – (30 clock hours of annual district provided professional development is equivalent to 1 semester credit hour or 30 clock hours of state continuing education) that equals 6 semester credit hours.

**NOTE:** Additional semester credit hours beyond the required 6 semester credit hours earned during any certificate validity span shall not be applied toward any subsequent renewals. Semester credit hours shall have been completed at a regionally accredited college or university.
Advanced Professional Education Certificate (optional)

Applicant must complete ALL of the following requirements:

- Applicant holds a **professional certificate**.
- Holds national board certification or has completed an approved teacher leader training or preparation program.
- Has received 5 **consecutive effective or highly effective ratings** on the annual teacher evaluation in the most recent 5-year period.

Advanced Professional Certificate Renewal

At least 5 **consecutive effective or highly effective annual evaluation ratings** and at least ONE of the following:

- **6 semester credit hours** in a planned program at a TPI or 6 semester hours appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate at any approved college or university or
- **180 clock hours of state continuing education** in approved professional development activities appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate or
- District provided **Professional Development** completed through professional development programs that are appropriate to the grade level and content endorsement (s) of the certificate or
- A **combination of semester credit hours, state continuing education hours** (30 clock hours of state continuing education hours are equivalent to 1 semester credit hour), or district provided **professional development** – (30 clock hours of annual district provided professional development is equivalent to 1 semester credit hour or 30 clock hours of state continuing education) that equals 6 semester credit hours.

NOTE: Additional semester credit hours beyond the required 6 semester credit hours earned during any certificate validity span shall not be applied toward any subsequent renewals. Semester credit hours shall have been completed at a regionally accredited college or university.

*Must have 5 consecutive effective or highly effective reviews or the candidate is not eligible.*

View the revised Teacher Certification Code (Administrative Rules) here:


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