

Renewal and Reinstatement Requirements

Total 8 CEUs or 80 Clock Hours of Professional Development

| Credits Required for Licensure Renewal | |
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| Grades Pre-K through 5th <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 Subject Area• 3 Literacy• 2 General | Student Services Personnel <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 Professional Discipline Area• 4 General |
| Grades 6th – 12th <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 Subject Area• 4 General | Administrators <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 Executive's Role• 4 General |

North Carolina Lifetime License

A Lifetime License is issued to a teacher who:

- Holds a current license after 30 or more years of combined service as a licensed teacher, administrator, or student services personnel in one or more public school units in North Carolina.

AND

- Completed 30 or more years of creditable service with the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System.

Renewal of the Lifetime License is not required (per SL 2019 -71).

*As a condition of employment per [NC State Board of Education Policy LICN-005](#) employing school systems reserve the right to assign literacy requirements for any educator. Renewal requirements are subject to change based on NC State Board of Education policy updates.

Renewal Criteria

- A unit of renewal credit (CEU) is equal to 10 clock hours of professional development
- 8 units of renewal credit are required to renew both a current and expired CPL
- For a CPL to remain current, all renewal credit must be earned by the expiration date of the license

Activities Accepted for Renewal Credit:

- College or university courses
 - Official transcripts are required as documentation; grade reports are **not** accepted.
- Local in-service courses or workshops
 - The administrative unit certifies credits.
- Classes and workshops approved by a PSU
 - Documentation of completion is provided by the agency sponsoring the activity.