

HELPFUL WEBSITES:

DOE Licensure and Certification:
<https://www.doe.k12.de.us/certification>

Apply in DEEDS before submitting documents. There is a \$100 application fee:
<https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us>

Professional Standards Board (PSB):
<http://www.doe.k12.de.us/domain/172>

PSB Regulations governing licensure and certification:
<http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title14/1500>

Join Delaware Schools is the statewide educational recruitment portal. Create an account, find vacancies, and apply for jobs:
<http://www.joindelawareschools.org>

DE public school districts and charter schools by county:
<https://pubapps.doe.k12.de.us/EducationalDirectoryPublic/pages/Districts/Default.aspx>

Educational Testing Services (ETS) - Core Academic Skills for Educators and Praxis II. Use reporting code **R-7065** to send scores to Delaware DOE:
<http://www.ets.org/praxis/de/requirements>

Language Testing International (ACTFL Oral and Written proficiency tests):
<http://www.languagetesting.com>

An official NACES member foreign evaluation report is required for all non-US degrees applicants:
<http://www.doe.k12.de.us/Page/3505>

National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES):
<http://www.naces.org/members.html>

Association of Internal Credential Evaluators, Inc. (AICE):
<http://aice-eval.org/members/>

This information is provided as a summary only. For detailed information, visit our website at <https://www.doe.k12.de.us/certification>.

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DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

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Delaware requires that all educators be licensed and certified, or hold a permit, in order to provide services to students. Visit the Licensure and Certification website for helpful information on how to apply for State of Delaware teaching credentials, including school leaders and other professional support service staff: <https://www.doe.k12.de.us/certification>.

APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION are accepted online only through our Delaware Educator Data System (DEEDS). There is a \$100 application fee. To apply: <https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us>.

GENERAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited four-year institution.
- Completion of student teaching as part of a Teacher Prep Program.
- Passing score on a Content Knowledge Exam (i.e., Praxis II, ACTFL).
- Passing score on a state-approved teacher Performance Assessment (i.e., PPAT, edTPA, or state-created from another jurisdiction).
- Satisfy any additional licensure and certification requirements (i.e., additional coursework).

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO CERTIFICATION (NO STUDENT TEACHING):

- Delaware employment and enrollment in a Delaware-approved alternative routes to certification program; **OR**
- Delaware employment and one year in lieu of student teaching in a non-core content area.
- For more information on Delaware alternative routes to certification programs: <https://www.doe.k12.de.us/Page/3495>.

TESTING REQUIREMENTS:

- **Content Knowledge Exam:**
Applicants must pass an examination of content knowledge when applicable and available (i.e., Praxis II, ACTFL). NBPTS certified educators and out-of-state educators with reciprocal credentials are exempt.
- **Performance Assessment:**
New teachers with less than one year of credentialed teaching experience must complete and receive a passing score on a state-approved teacher Performance Assessment. Most educators will have two years to complete the Performance Assessment. Vocational trade and industry field educators ("skilled and technical sciences" or "STS") will have six years to complete the Performance Assessment.

Visit the Licensure and Certification website for complete testing requirement details: <https://www.doe.k12.de.us/Page/3487>.

DELAWARE OFFERS THREE (3) LICENSES:

Initial License - Issued to an educator with less than four years of verified credentialed teaching experience. A Performance Assessment may also be required for new educators with less than one year of verified credentialed teaching experience. Mentoring and other prescribed professional development activities and satisfactory summative evaluations are also required.

Continuing License - This is a five-year renewable license and may be obtained through one of the following options:

- Upgrade from an Initial License; **OR**
- Hold reciprocal credentials from another state, has provided proof of four years of full-time credentialed teaching experience in that state, and has had two satisfactory summative evaluations equal to Delaware evaluations.

Ninety clock hours are required to renew a Continuing License every five years.

Advanced License – This up to ten-year license may only be obtained by holding current National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) certification. Educators are not required to obtain an Advanced License.

DELAWARE OFFERS THREE (3) CERTIFICATES:

Standard Certificate – All regulatory requirements are met.

Emergency Certificate – Regulatory requirements are outstanding for meeting certain certifications.

- Educator must be employed by a Delaware public/charter school.
- Emergency must be requested by the employer.

Certificate of Eligibility (COE) – Regulatory requirements are outstanding for meeting Special Education certification-related areas.

- Educator must be employed by a Delaware public/ charter school.
- COE must be requested by the employer.

Visit the Licensure and Certification website for additional details: <https://www.doe.k12.de.us/certification>.