

TEACHER RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS

Renewal Requirements for Teacher Certification

- **All applicants renewing a Teacher Certificate must complete the following:**
 - Minimum of one clock hour of suicide awareness and prevention training;
 - Adhere to the South Dakota Code of Professional Ethics for Teachers; and
 - Verify completion of the required transcribed credits and continuing education contact hours.
- **Renewal of a Professional Teaching Certificate**
 - Participate as a mentee in a state-approved mentor program for at least two of the past five-years (certificate of completion is required); or
 - Participate as a mentor in a state-approved mentor program for at least two of the past five-years (certificate of completion is required); or
 - Complete national board certification or recertification within the past five-years; or
 - Complete six education-related credits with a minimum of three transcribed credits or specialized learning experience hours. The remaining three credits shall include continuing education contact hours or transcribed credits.
- **Renewal of an Advanced Teaching Certificate**
 - Participate as a mentor in a state-approved mentor program at least two of the past five-years (completion of certificate is required); or
 - Complete national board certification or recertification within the past five-years; or
 - Complete six education-related transcribed credits, specialized learning experience hours, or continuing education contact hours.
- **Renewal Requirements for an Expired Teaching Certificate**
 - The expired certificate is renewed if all requirements are met and the renewal certificate fee is paid before October 1 of the year of expiration.
- **Renewal Requirements for an Invalid Teaching Certificate**
 - Must complete six transcribed credit hours.