



HELPFUL SITES:

Apply on 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 & Written proficiency tests):
<http://www.languagetesting.com>

An official NACES member foreign evaluation report is required for all non-US degrees. For additional information:
https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us/certificate/deeds_nonuscred.aspx

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

This information is provided as a summary only. For detailed information, visit Title 14 of Delaware Code (<http://delcode.delaware.gov/title14/>) or Administrative Code - Professional Standards Board Regulations (<http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title14/1500/index.shtml#TopOfPage>).

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

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In Delaware you must hold both a **License** and at least one **Certificate**. The License authorizes you to work in a Delaware public/charter school, and the Certificate identifies the area you are authorized to practice.

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 Praxis Core Academic Skills Test or approved alternative.
- Passing score on a Content Knowledge Exam (Praxis II, ACTFL).
- Passing score on a PPAT or edTPA Performance Assessment Exam.

Alternative Routes (no student teaching):

- DE employment and enrollment in a DE-approved Alternative Route Program; **OR**
- DE employment and one year in lieu of student teaching in a non-core content area.
- For more information on DE Alternative Routes:
https://deeds.doe.k12.de.us/registration/deeds_reg_artc.aspx

TESTING REQUIREMENTS:

(Must be met before License/Certificate can be issued.)

- **General Knowledge Exam:**
Core Academic Skills for Educators Reading, Writing and Mathematics (or approved alternative) are required for licensure. National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) educators and out-of-state educators with reciprocal credentials are exempt.
- **Content Knowledge Exam:**
Applicants must pass an examination of content knowledge, such as Praxis II or ACTFL when applicable and available. NBPTS educators and out-of-state educators with reciprocal credentials are exempt.
- **Performance Assessment:**
A passing score on PPAT or edTPA will be required.

DELAWARE OFFERS FOUR (4) LICENSES:

Provisional License - Issued to an educator who has less than one-year teaching experience. Upon employment, the Provisional License is activated and valid for one year. A Performance Assessment, mentoring, and a satisfactory evaluation are required to move to a three-year Initial License.

Initial License - Issued to an educator who has less than three years of experience and has completed a Performance Assessment. Upon employment, the Initial License is activated and valid for four years. Mentoring and satisfactory evaluations are 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, have three years of full-time credentialed teaching experience in that state, and two satisfactory summative evaluations equal to DE evaluations.

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

Advanced License - This 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 TWO (2) CERTIFICATES:

Standard Certificate – All requirements are met.

Emergency Certificate – Requirements outstanding.

- Educator must be employed by a Delaware public/charter school.
- Emergency must be requested by the employer.
- Emergency is valid for one school year.