

Even though our [ISBE's] website and Administrative Rules do not reflect all of the information below yet, these were the answers provided based upon laws that have passed and when looking at the [Illinois Register](#) dated June 1, 2018.

Pass a test of basic skills** or the ACT WorkKeys test Upon First Renewal – ELS/CTE issued 1/1/15 or later AND ELS/CTEP issued 1/1/15 or later (replaces 20 semester hours of coursework)

**[Specific Testing Information/Options](#) (under Test of Basic Skills Options navy blue expandable tool bar)

In addition, only ELS/CTE has the following requirements:

- License issued **prior to 1/1/15**:
 - Complete following PD requirements:
 - 120 hours **OR**
 - 60 hours if licensee holds NBPTS designation
- License issued **1/1/15 or later**:
 - Pass a test of basic skills** or the [ACT WorkKeys test](#) on first renewal
 - Complete following PD requirements:
 - 120 hours **OR**
 - 60 hours if licensee holds NBPTS designation

ELS/PCTE – Can only teach part-time or half the day in up to 2 courses

Additional Info: Cannot carry 2 different types of ELS licenses at the same time (e.g., ELS/CTEP and ELS/PCTE to rectify grade range issues); would have to change upon expiration of 1 of the licenses. Attached are the handouts from Licensure staff when they presented to the SDLC earlier this year.

http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/index/register/volume42/register_volume42_issue22.pdf

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Summary and Purpose of Rulemaking: This rulemaking will implement changes made to Article 21B of the School Code (Educator Licensure) in PA 99-920, PA 100-13, PA 100- 267, and PA 100-288. These changes include the following:

- Section 25.15 ILLINOIS REGISTER 8832 18 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION NOTICE OF ADOPTED AMENDMENTS
- Removed the requirement that substitute teachers may renew their licenses provided they have passed the test of basic skills. Substitute teachers will now be able to apply and pay a fee for renewal.
- Section 25.25
- Removed the requirement for specific majors for the endorsement sought.
- Clarified subsequent endorsements added to educator licenses with stipulations endorsed for provisional educator (ELS-PEDU) may be added, but will have the same expiration date as the license.
- Added requirements for provisional in-state educator endorsements.

- Candidates must meet the following: ▪ Hold at least a bachelor's degree; ▪ Completed all components of an approved educator preparation program, except the Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA); ▪ Passed the test of basic skills and applicable content-area test; and ▪ Attempted a TPA and received a minimum score.

- Section 25.43 • Clarified the special education endorsement requirements. Individuals who have a Professional Educator License (PEL) or an educator license with stipulations must complete coursework and Survey of exceptional children; ▪ Characteristics of special education students; ▪ Methods of teaching special education; and ▪ Psychological assessment for children with disabilities.

- Section 25.48 • Extended the date in which short-term emergency approval in special education can be sought to July 1, 2020. • Clarified the types of licenses and endorsements individuals must have in order to be eligible for the short-term approval.

- Removed the requirement that the applicant's plan must be approved by a higher education entity.

Section 25.400 • Updated the deadline for individuals to register their licenses from six months to January 1 of the next fiscal year.

- Section 25.430 • Clarified that individuals holding a PEL or an ELS-PEDU may receive short-term approval for an assignment.

- Section 25.520 • Updated the substitute teaching license renewal requirements to only require an application and payment of a fee.

- Section 25.720 • Clarified that the test of basic skills is required for initial licensure only. • Updated the minimum writing score for the ACT to 6 as of September 10, 2016.

Allowed applicants for the career and technical educator license and provisional career and technical educator license renewal to take the WorkKeys® in lieu of the test of basic skills.

- Individuals who have passed another state's or country's content test as a condition of certification or licensure do not have to take the Illinois content test.

- Removed the 10-year validity period for a content test of the Assessment of Professional Teaching.

- Section 25.72 • Added the passage of the test of work proficiency for renewal to the requirements for endorsements for provisional career and technical educators.

- Any PD completed after June 30 will count toward the next renewal cycle. Assessment of Professional Teaching.

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