

Section 25.805 Continuing Professional Development Options

- a) Professional development activities shall generate credit for purposes of renewal of a professional educator license endorsed in a teaching, administrative or school support personnel field or an educator license with stipulations endorsed for chief school business official only if they address one or more of the criteria identified in Section 21B-45(d) of the School Code. For the purposes of this Subpart J:
- 1) "Sustained period of time" shall mean professional development that includes structured opportunities for educators to apply what they have learned in real-life situations and/or professional development offered over a course of two or more sessions.
 - 2) "Licensee's performance" shall mean professional development identified by the licensee, school or district that is designed to improve the licensee's knowledge and skills relative to district or school performance and/or student achievement.
 - 3) "State-approved standards" shall mean the standards applicable to the licensee's credential, as set forth in Section 25.115(e).
 - 4) "Related to student growth or district improvement" shall mean professional development identified by the teacher, school or district that would contribute to improvements in academic achievement of students in the licensee's classroom or for the school and district as a whole, as may be identified in the school or district improvement plan.
 - 5) "Higher education coursework" shall mean coursework completed at a postsecondary institution.

- b) Endorsements in a Teaching Field or for School Support Personnel

Any licensee shall complete 120 clock hours of professional development activities during each 5-year renewal cycle, unless otherwise specified in this Subpart J. (Section 21B-45(e)(1) of the School Code)

- c) Administrative Endorsements

- 1) Any licensee holding a professional educator license endorsed in an administrative field *who is working in a position that requires this credential shall complete one Illinois Administrators' Academy* (see Section 2-3.53 of the School Code) *course each fiscal year, in addition to*