

Potential Professional Development Provider Guidance

Are You Interested in Becoming an Approved Professional Development Provider?

If your organization/entity is interested in providing professional development and find they are not currently on the list of [Illinois Approved Professional Development Providers](#) here are the steps you will follow:

1. Apply to be an approved professional development provider by completing the [Application for State Professional Development Provider](#).
2. Once you have become an approved provider you will need to complete the [PD Provider Registration](#) form annually in order to stay on the list of approved providers.
3. If you are already an approved provider but are not on the Illinois Approved Professional Development Providers list, please follow the directions below to register.

Registration Process for All Current Approved Professional Development Providers

PD Providers are required to register annually, between April 1st-June 30th, with the Illinois State Board of Education prior to offering any professional development activities in the current fiscal year. To complete this process, Providers will register through ELIS. The steps to register as an approved PD provider are outlined in the following [PD Provider Registration Guide](#).

Who is Eligible to Apply?

Entities Eligible to Apply to Become an Approved Provider	Entities Not Eligible to Become an Approved Provider
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Illinois non-profit• Professional educator associations representing one or more of the following groups: School administrators, Principals, School business officials, Teachers (including special education teachers), School boards, School districts, Parents, School support services personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For-profit organizations• Out-of-state entities (includes out-of-state higher education institutions)• National organizations

Illinois Statutorily Approved Professional Development Providers

(These providers do need to register annually, but do not need to apply)

- Regional Offices of Education and Intermediate Service Centers
- Illinois higher education institutions that offer Illinois-approved educator preparation programs (<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/prof-dev-provider-list.pdf>).
- Illinois community and city colleges
- Illinois public schools and public-school districts
- Illinois charter schools
- Illinois joint career and technical education programs
- Illinois joint special education programs
- Illinois museums included in Section 10 of the Illinois Museum Disposition of Property Act
- Illinois State agencies, boards, and commissions
- Illinois Resource Center