

Reinstatement of a Lapsed License

Reinstatement Options

If your educator license lapsed on or after July 1, 2014, you must meet all applicable outstanding professional development and/or administrator requirements prior to reinstating your license. For questions about professional development and administrator academy requirements, contact your Regional Office of Education (ROE). A directory of ROEs is available online at <http://www.isbe.net/regionaloffices/pdf/roedirectory.pdf>.

Once you have satisfied the professional development requirements, you may choose one of the two following options:

1. Complete nine semester hours of coursework in one or more of the endorsement areas listed on your license. Coursework must be completed within the last five fiscal years. View acceptable courses you may complete for reinstatement below.
2. Pay a \$500 penalty fee in place of completing nine semester hours of coursework.

You may apply for reinstatement in [ELIS](#). You will be able to select which of the two reinstatement options you wish to use. View the following documents to obtain step by step ELIS instructions on how to reinstate your license:

- [ELIS Procedures - Documentation for 9 Semester Hours of College Coursework Option](#) (11/15)
- [ELIS Procedures - \\$500 Fee Option](#) (11/15)

Acceptable Coursework

Elementary or Early Childhood Endorsement: Core content courses (English language arts, math, science, or social science), reading, special populations (including special education, gifted, English as a second language, or bilingual education), human development, educational psychology, methods of instruction, or technology as it relates to education. Coursework in any of your endorsement areas will also be accepted.

Secondary Education or K-12 Special Endorsement: Endorsement area content coursework, Reading, special populations (including special education, gifted, English as a second language, or bilingual education), human development, educational psychology, methods of instruction, or technology as it relates to education. Coursework in any of your endorsement areas will also be accepted.

Special Education PK-21 Endorsement: Core content courses (English language arts, math, science, or social science), reading, special populations (including special education, gifted, English as a second language, or bilingual education), human development, educational psychology, methods of instruction, or technology as it relates to education. Coursework in any of your endorsement areas will also be accepted.

Administrative Endorsement: Administrative coursework, Reading, special populations (including special education, gifted, English as a second language, or bilingual education), human development, educational psychology, methods of instruction, or technology as it relates to education. Coursework in any of your endorsement areas will also be accepted.

School Support Personnel Endorsement: Endorsement area content coursework, Reading, special populations (including special education, gifted, English as a second language, or bilingual education), human development, educational psychology, methods of instruction, or technology as it relates to education. Coursework in any of your endorsement areas will also be accepted.

*Through September 1, 2016, educators may utilize coursework completed on or after 7/1/2010 toward reinstating their licenses. Beginning September 2, 2016, educators may utilize coursework taken **on or after September 1, 2011**. This timeline is compliant with 25.450 (b)(2)(C), which states: "The validity period for any coursework used for license reinstatement shall expire on September 1 immediately following the fifth full year after the date of the coursework's completion."*