



NORTH COOK INTERMEDIATE SERVICE CENTER

2013 CONVERSION TO ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR LICENSES

Standard or Master Teaching, School Service Personnel, Administrator

What is happening? *Changes to Illinois professional educator certification are scheduled to be implemented during the 2012-13 school year. June 30, 2013 is the target date for implementation of new Illinois Licensure system. ECS is scheduled to be replaced by Educator License Information System (ELIS) on June 30, 2013. ELIS will not collect or display certificate renewal activities. Access to ECS is scheduled to cease when ELIS begins.*

What does that mean to me? *We have been told that Professional development activities that you have recorded in ECS will not transfer to ELIS. You will not have access to ECS to retrieve or print out those activities.*

What about renewal requirements for license renewal in 2014 and beyond? *The State Board is rewriting renewal requirements for all educators, to be implemented for the 2013-14 school year. There are no details available at this time.*

What should I do now?

Before June 30, 2013,

- *Log on to ECS at www.isbe.net/ECS.*
- *Update address and phone in My Profile, Personal Settings*
- *Update email address in My Profile, Account Settings*
- *Click on Professional Development, Activities and print your list of activities.*
- *Click on My Credentials, Current Credentials, and print your credentials page.*
- *If you are active in an Illinois public school and you have a 2013 renewal date, complete your renewal steps, including payment of registration fees on ECS by June 15, 2013, to ensure completion by June 30, 2013.*
- *If you are a 2013 renewal, print your statement of assurance after it is approved and keep a copy in your file.*

**2013 RENEWAL FOR EDUCATORS
EMPLOYED IN ILLINOIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Standard – Master – School Service Personnel - Administrators

RECOMMENDED RENEWAL TIMELINE: Complete all steps of renewal and registration by June 15, 2013, to ensure completion by June 30, 2013. (Record activities, submit statement of assurance, print statement of assurance and keep in your file, pay registration fee.)

For further information contact the North Cook ISC at 847-824-8300.



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INITIAL CERTIFICATES SET TO BECOME PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR - TEACHER LICENSES

All Initial certificates will be replaced by 5-year Professional Educator Licenses when Professional Educator Licensure is implemented in Illinois - Anticipated date: June 30, 2013

Holders of initial certificates whose certificate expires on June 30, 2013 can either:

- renew the initial certificate between April 1, 2013 and June 29, 2013. 4 years - \$41.75,
- or wait until June 30 or later, and renew the new license for 5 years: \$51.75.

Either way, make sure you complete the process before school starts in August, 2013.

Holders of initial certificates achieving four years of teaching experience during the 2012-13 school year should not apply to move from initial to standard.* All teachers' certificates, regardless of level, will be exchanged for a Professional Educator Teacher Licenses (PEL-Teacher), with no levels such as initial, standard or master. As always, all licenses need to be registered to be valid.

FOR THOSE HOLDING INITIAL CERTIFICATES WHEN LICENSURE IS IMPLEMENTED:

- Your teaching license renewal year will remain the same as the initial certificate renewal date.
- *Future license renewal requirements are expected to be adjusted according to new school code, which is being written for approval in the Spring of 2013.*

Current advice for initials: Keep every piece of evidence of completion of professional development activities you have already completed until further notice. Do not enter in ECS, as that information will not be retained after June 30, 2013. Pay attention to information that comes out in the spring-summer of 2013.

ALL CERTIFICATE HOLDERS - CRITICAL INFORMATION

Keep your email address, address, and phone number up-to-date in ECS:
www.isbe.net/ECS: My Profile, Personal Settings; for Email: My Profile, Account Settings

***In case there comes a delay in implementation of TEACHER LICENSURE beyond June 30, 2013, and you are completing your fourth year of teaching during the 2012-13 school year, you must be sure you have a Standard Teaching Certificate or a PEL-Teacher License before school starts in the fall of 2013, and be sure the license or certificate is registered where you are teaching.**

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ILLINOIS SUBSTITUTE LICENSE

ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR LICENSES

Conversion from certificates 6/30/13 (anticipated)

- A. Valid Type 39 Illinois Substitute Certificates will automatically become renewable Illinois Substitute Licenses with a five year validity period.
- B. All Type 39 substitute certificates that are valid on the date of conversion will become Substitute Licenses that expire on 6/30/2018. Holder will pay additional registration fee from the current expiration year to 2018. Registration will be done on what is now known as ECS, Education Certification System, which will become ELIS, Educator Licensure System. The exact web address for ELIS will be available upon conversion.
- C. **Anticipated additional registration fee calculation:** The difference between current expiration date and 2018, times \$10 per year:

Type 39 Expires		Payment on ELIS	Registration will lapse if not paid by:
2013	2018-2013 = 5	\$50 by 12/31/13	January 1, 2014
2014	2018-2014 = 4	\$40 by 6/30/14	January 1, 2015
2015	2018-2015 = 3	\$30 by 6/30/15	January 1, 2016
2016	2018-2016 = 2	\$20 by 6/30/16	January 1, 2017

- D. **NEW WITH LICENSURE:** The anticipated cost to reinstate a lapsed substitute license is \$500.00 or 9 semester hours credit.
- E. **REGISTRATION FEE** is paid to the Regional Office of Education in the first County the license is registered in. A substitute license holder will no longer be required pay a registration fee in each County.
- F. **RENEWAL OF SUBSTITUTE LICENSE:** For the first *renewal* of a Substitute License, the holder of the license will have to take and pass the Test of Academic Proficiency #400, Reading, Writing, English, and Mathematics. For information on the test, log in to the Illinois Licensure Testing System at www.il.nesinc.com. The first year the test is needed for renewal will be 2018.
- G. **LAPSED TEACHING CERTIFICATE:** If an educator has a teaching, school service or administrative certificate or license that has lapsed, a substitute license will not be issued after licensure begins, but an existing sub license over a lapsed professional educator license or certificate will be able to be renewed in 2018.
- H. **VALID PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR LICENSE – TEACHER:** If an educator holds a valid teaching license registered with the County in which they teach, a substitute license is not needed to substitute teach in that county.

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