

Level 2 Teacher Licensure Advancement Options and Eligibility

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Received Level 2 teaching license in 2023	Eligible to participate. APL II-III micro-credentials take 12 months to complete.	Not Eligible	<p>To be eligible for certification, teachers must meet the following education, employment, and licensure requirements prior to starting the certification process. Candidates will be asked to verify these during registration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possess a bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution. <i>NOTE: Candidates for the Career and Technical Education certificate are required to hold a bachelor’s degree only if their state required one for their current license.</i> • Effective September 19, 2022, the National Board opened access to educators interested in the Board certification process by allowing candidates to begin the process of Board certification before completing three (3) years of successful teaching. While this change allows candidates to begin the process earlier, educators will need to complete three years of teaching employment to become Board-certified. • Hold a valid state teaching license (or meet the licensure requirements established by your state for a school counselor if applying for the ECYA/School Counseling certificate) for each of the three years of employment you verify. <p>Your timeline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You have the flexibility to work towards certification in a way that suits you and your professional and personal responsibilities.
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Received Level 2 teaching license in 2021 or earlier	<p>Eligible to participate. APL II-III micro-credentials take 12 months to complete.</p> <p>Please note, educators whose license expires in June 2024 need to consider APL II-III MICRO-CREDENTIAL APPROXIMATE TIME OF COMPLETION BY COHORTS</p> <p>If you do not complete all 4 required micro-credentials by the time your license expires, you will need to renew your Level 2 license. Once you complete the 4th micro-credential and you meet required advancement criteria, your license will be advanced to a Level 3 teaching license.</p>	<p>Teacher may begin the PDD and must submit on or before March 29, 2024. More information on PDD submission can be found on these webpages: Teacher License Advancement – New Mexico Public Education Department (state.nm.us) And Professional Development Dossier - Region 9 Education Cooperative (rec9nm.org)</p>	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completing your first attempt of all four components can take as little as one year, or up to three. • You have up to two retake attempts for each component and have a five-year window to achieve certification. • Take a look at potential 2 year, or 3-year timelines here <p>Further Information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. National-Board-Process-Overview-1.pdf (nbpts.org) 2. Overview-and-Quick-Start-Guide.pdf (nbpts.org); 3. National-Board-Certification Candidate-Resource-Guide.pdf (nbpts.org) <p>If your license expires in 2024 or 2025, you may be able to complete the requirements before your license expires. Please review the timelines carefully.</p> <p>If you do not complete NBCT requirements by the time your license expires, you will need to renew your Level 2 license. Once you complete NBCT requirements and you meet required advancement criteria, your license will be advanced to a Level 3 teaching license.</p>

Further information: [APL II-III APPROXIMATE TIMELINE OF COMPLETION.docx \(google.com\)](#); [Enrollment Dates \(google.com\)](#)

[Advanced Program Level Micro-Credentials – New Mexico Public Education Department \(state.nm.us\)](#)