

GLOSSARY

Approved Institution: Approved college or university is a college or university which has been approved for the preparation of teachers, administrators, and school employees in pupil personnel services by the State of Ohio.

Appeal Process: Appeal process is the process by which an educator can have the decision of the LPDC reviewed.

CEU: Continuing Education Unit is ten contact hours in a professional development program.

Certificate: A document issued by the State Board of Education to an individual who is deemed to be qualified, under the 1987 Teacher Education and Certification Standards, to teach or practice in Ohio schools.

Educator: Educator is an individual who has been certified or licensed by the State Board of Education to teach or practice in Ohio schools.

Grace Renewal: Grace Renewal is the one-time renewal under the 1987 Teacher Education and Certification Standards, after September 1, 1998.

IPDP: An Individual Professional Development Plan is an individual educator's plan that defines and directs an educator's professional development and which links the professional development to the needs of the students, the school, the district, and their own personal goals.

LPDC: Local Professional Development Committees are committees established by local school districts and nonpublic chartered schools to oversee and review professional development plans, course work, continuing education units and equivalent activities for the purpose of renewal of certificates and licences.

License: License is a document issued by the State Board of education to an individual who is deemed to be qualifies, under the 1996 Teacher Education and Licensure Standards, to teach or practice in Ohio schools.

Permanent Certificate: A permanent certificate is good for the rest of an educator's career and does not require further work for certification nor conversion to a license.

Professional Development: Professional Development is an on-going, job related process to enhance, maintain and refine the competencies of all staff to ensure quality outcomes for students.

PDU: Professional Development Units are growth development activities based upon your IPDP.

Reciprocity: Reciprocity is a policy which acknowledges and accepts credentials awarded by another authority.