

Colorado Department of Education's (CDE) Online Educator Licensing System Information

CDE Online License Application website: <https://www.colorado.gov/cde/licensing/Default.aspx>

General Application Information (for all applications)

- You may submit your online license application up to 6 months prior to the expiration date.
- The fee is \$80.00 per application. Fees must be paid with a debit or credit card at the end of your application process.
- It is recommended that you use your email address for your User ID. Please write down and keep your User name and Password in a safe place. User names have to be reset by CDE. Passwords can be reset online if you know all three answers to your three security questions (please write those down as well).
- Please keep your email address in your application current. Email will be CDE's primary way of contacting you.
- Section requesting EDID Number (your educator identifier number), is not required.
- You will list your current/expired license, but you do not need to upload a copy unless it is an out of state license. CDE has all Colorado licenses on file.
- Fingerprint information only needs to be filled in if you have not yet submitted a fingerprint card to CDE. If you need to check if CDE already has your fingerprints on file, you may check online at: <https://edx.cde.state.co.us/PublicEducatorSearch/DOBSearch.jsp>
- You will need to scan a copy of your driver's license (or other accepted document listed on the application) and upload it to the application for the lawful presence section.
- CDE asks for 5 years of work history. You will need to end date your current employment. Please put the date you are filling out your application as the end date. In the text box "Reason for Leaving" type: currently employed.

Initial to Professional License Application

- You will need to upload a copy of your induction certificate in this application.

Professional License Renewal Application (Select: "Renewal of Professional")

- You will not upload, or send in, any transcripts, certificates of original proof of renewal credit. You will download the Summary Report of Professional Activities, fill it out, and upload it back into your application. You will keep your proof of hours on file for documentation should CDE pull your file for audit.
- All renewal hours on the Summary Report sheet must be recorded in Contact hours. You need 90 contact hours for renewal.
 - 1 semester hour = 15 contact hours
 - 1 quarter hour = 10 contact hours
 - 1 CEU = 1 contact hour

Application list (In order as it appears on CDE):

1 Year Substitute Authorization	For current classified employees who have been recommended by their supervisor for classroom coverage if a teacher is absent
3 Year Substitute Authorization	For new applicants and renewals of 3 year sub authorization (Requires Bachelors degree or higher)
5 Year Substitute Authorization	For new applicants and renewals of 5 year sub authorization (Requires completed teacher preparation program)
Added Endorsement-Approved Program	Adding additional endorsement after completing a college program
Added Endorsement-Credit or Assessment	Adding an additional endorsement through passing the PLACE or Praxis II or through 24 semester hour review
Adjunct Instructor Authorization	For teachers with endorsement areas not available in Colorado
Administrator	For first time applicants for administrator (superintendent) license
ALT: Statement of Eligibility	Application to become eligible to participate in an alternative teacher program. This is not a license. Referred to as a SOE.
Alternative Programs	For a new license once an applicant with a SOE has obtained a full time teaching job.

Career & Technical (CTE): Initial to Professional	Career and Technical Education Authorizations
Career & Technical Education (CTE): Added Pathway	Not for regular teaching licenses
Career & Technical Education (CTE): Initial	
Career & Technical Education (CTE): Renewal/Reinstatement	

Educational Interpreter Authorization	For Educational Interpreters, new and renewals
Emergency Authorization	Only available for special cases in Aurora Public Schools
Initial to Professional	After completing induction, this application moves you from your initial to your professional license
Master Teacher Certificate	For teachers that have completed National Board Certification
Principal	For first time applicants for the principal license
Renewal of Initial License / Interim Authorization	For all types of initial/interim license renewals Interim Licenses may only be renewed once
Renewal of Professional	For all types of professional license renewals
School Speech-Language Pathology Assistant	For new applicants and renewals of this authorization
Special Service Provider	For first time applicants for a special service provider license
Teacher	For first time applicants for a teacher license
Temporary Educator Eligibility	Only available for special cases in Aurora Public Schools; must be approved by HR

*Please note the following application types have been removed from this list but are available online:
Exchange Educator Interim Authorization, Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Instructor Authorization, and Literacy Instruction Authorization