

TIER 2

Quick Glance

District:

For first renewal:

- Verify cultural competency training
- Verify mental illness training with suicide prevention
- Verify American Indian history and culture training

For each renewal:

- Provide and verify continued mentorship and evaluation
- Provide and verify a teacher development and evaluation process

Applicant:

- If enrolled in a teacher preparation program, meaningful progress must be certified by the provider
- Complete required trainings

General:

- A Tier 2 license may be renewed up to three times, unless the request falls under special circumstances
- The Tier 2 teacher is not required to retake trainings after the first renewal

Renewal Requirements for a Tier 2 License

A Tier 2 license is valid for up to two school years. In order to renew a Tier 2 license, both the licensed Tier 2 teacher and the hiring district must provide evidence of eligibility and apply for renewal jointly after June 30th of the renewal year. A Tier 2 license may be renewed up to three times. Note: If a Tier 2 teacher is requested for a different content field or district during the validity of the license, the Tier 2 teacher would apply for a new Tier 2 license.

Hiring District:

Before applying for renewal, the hiring district must show that the Tier 2 teacher participated in:

- Cultural competency training; not required for future renewals.
- Mental illness training, including a minimum of one hour of suicide prevention; not required for future renewals.
- American Indian history and culture (AIHC) training; not required for future renewals.
- Mentorship and evaluation aligned with the district's teacher development and evaluation model.

Applicant:

The Tier 2 teacher must provide the following evidence:

- Completion of cultural competency training for first renewal.
- Completion of mental illness training, including one hour of suicide prevention, for first renewal.
- Completion of American Indian history and culture training, for first renewal.
- If the Tier 2 teacher obtained the Tier 2 license by providing enrollment status in a Minnesota approved teacher preparation program, the provider must certify that meaningful progress has been made by the Tier 2 teacher. Meaningful progress made toward completion of the content specific program is defined by the provider.

General Information:

A Tier 2 license may be renewed up to three times in a lifetime, regardless of content field or hiring district. Additional renewals may be allowed if the district can show "good cause." The hiring district must continue to provide and verify mentorship and evaluation for all renewals. The Tier 2 teacher does not have to retake cultural competency, mental illness, or AIHC training after the first renewal even if a new licensure field is requested or a new district submits a request.

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