▼ Professional Development Activities

Professional development must relate to Arizona academic or professional educator standards or apply toward the attainment of an additional Arizona certificate, endorsement or approved area, and may include training regarding suicide awareness and prevention; child abuse, human trafficking of children, and the sexual abuse of children, including warning signs that a child may be a victim of child abuse, human trafficking, or sexual abuses; screening, intervention, accommodation, use of technology and advocacy for students with reading impairments, including dyslexia; college and career readiness; or other training programs explicitly permitted by state law.

Professional development shall consist of any of the following activities:

Professional Development Activities:	Documentation Required:
Academic courses related to education or a subject area taught in Arizona public schools.	Official transcripts from an accredited institution. Each semester hour of courses is equivalent to 15 hours of professional development.
District or school-sponsored in-service training specifically designed for professional development.	Written verification from the sponsoring district or school stating the dates of participation and number of clock hours earned.
Professional conferences and workshops related to the profession of teaching or the field of public education.	Conference agenda and a statement or certificate from the sponsoring organization noting clock hours earned in training sessions. Limited to 30 clock hours per year.
Business internship. Internship shall be based on an agreement between a business and a district or school with the stated objective of aligning teaching curriculum with workplace skills.	Written verification by the sponsoring business and district or school stating the dates of participation and number of clock hours earned. Limited to 80 clock hours.
Educational research. Research shall be sponsored by a research facility or an accredited institution or funded by a grant.	The published report of the research or verification by the sponsoring agency and a statement of the dates of participation and the number of clock hours earned.
Serving in a leadership role of a professional organization related to the profession of teaching or the field of public education.	Written verification by the governing body of the professional organization of the dates of service and clock hours earned. Limited to 30 clock hours per year.
Serving on a visitation team for a school accreditation agency.	Written verification from the accreditation agency of the dates of service and clock hours earned. Limited to 60 hours per year.

^{*}Note: Applicants who are renewing an Athletic Coaching certificate must also submit documentation of valid certification in First Aid and CPR.