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Licensure Renewal 2026

Licensure renewal for all licenses due in 2026 will begin April 1st.

This includes:

- Professional Educator License (PEL)
- Educator License with Stipulations-Chief School Business Official (ELS-CSBO)
- Career and Technical Educator licenses (CTE)
- Substitute license (SUB)
- Paraprofessional license (PARA)

EVERY licensed individual should verify through their Educator Licensure Information System (ELIS) account if they hold a license that is only registered until June 30, 2026:

- The Expires date in the ELIS account displays the year of renewal. The Registered Thru date displays the year that fees have been paid up until.
- Individuals should check the Expires verses the Registered Thru dates in ELIS. These years need to match. If the expiration date is after the registered thru date, then additional registration fees are required to prevent the license from lapsing.

*Educators with a PEL, ELS-CSBO and CTE license that expires July 1, 2023 will have until August 31, 2024 to complete any Professional Development (PD)

If not renewed, the license will lapse on September 1, 2026, and the individual will no longer be eligible to work in an Illinois public school until the license is reinstated. To reinstate the license, the individual must complete 9 semester hours of coursework in the appropriate content area(s) or pay a \$50 penalty fee in addition to submitting any required PD prior to reinstating. Once reinstated, individuals must also pay all back and current registration fees. Documents to assist individuals with understanding the required PD for the various credentials.

Please contact the ROE with any questions.

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