

Certification: Pennsylvania Professional Personnel

Elementary and Secondary Instructional

All elementary professional employees and those secondary professional employees whose degrees are not in religious studies are required to attain a Pennsylvania Level II certificate within six (6) teaching years of the date from which they attained their Level I certificate.

Professional employees who hold an out-of-state teaching certificate are to apply for a Pennsylvania Level I certificate as soon as they are hired and to pursue thereafter, the necessary requirements for attainment of their Pennsylvania Level II certificate.

Any elementary or secondary professional employee whose Level I certificate has been attained since June, 1987 is required to participate in the Diocesan Teacher Induction Program. Successful completion of this program is one of the specific requirements for a Pennsylvania Level II certificate.

Professional employees who have earned their degree in a field other than education are expected to pursue the Pennsylvania Teacher Intern Program (cf. Policy # 4130 C) so that they may be eligible for a teaching certificate.

Professional employees with Level II certificates are required to maintain their certificate in active status, in accord with current Pennsylvania requirements.

Pastors and/or Boards should assist professional employees with the cost of credits for the necessary certification.

Elementary and Secondary Administrative

All elementary and secondary principals in the Diocese of Harrisburg are required to attain a Pennsylvania Administrative certificate within five (5) years of being hired for principalship.

Pastors and/or Boards should assist professional employees with the cost of credits for the necessary certification. (cf. Policy # 4141.4)

Policy

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