

WAC 181-77-031 Requirements for candidates seeking career and technical education certification who have completed approved teacher preparation programs in a career and technical education endorsement area. Candidates shall complete the following requirements in addition to those set forth in WAC 181-79A-150 and 181-79A-155. Candidates shall complete preparation programs under the standards in chapter 181-78A WAC.

(1) **Initial.**

(a) Candidates for the initial certificate shall hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university.

(b) Candidates for the initial certificate shall demonstrate competency in one or more of the career and technical education broad areas: Agriculture education, business and marketing education, family and consumer sciences education, and technology education, as listed in WAC 181-77-005.

(c) Candidates for the initial certificate shall complete a state approved career and technical education teacher training program which shall include completion of student teaching in the relevant career and technical education subject area.

(d) Candidates for the initial certificate shall provide documentation of two thousand hours occupational experience in the broad area for which certification is sought. If all or part of the two thousand hours is more than ten years old, candidates must complete an additional three hundred hours of recent (occurring in the last two years) occupational experience. The candidate must also apply for the residency teacher certificate or add the subject area to their teacher certificate in their subject area, take and pass the content knowledge test(s) for subject area, be issued the teacher certificate before the CTE initial can be issued.

(e) In addition, candidates for initial certification in career choices or coordinator of worksite learning shall demonstrate competency in knowledge and skills described in WAC 181-77A-180.

(2) **Initial renewal.** Candidates for renewal of the initial certificate must complete one hundred continuing education credit hours in the subject area certified to teach since the initial certificate was issued, or four professional growth plans as defined in WAC 181-85-033. Individuals completing fewer than four annual professional growth plans must complete the necessary continuing education credit hours needed to be the equivalent of one hundred continuing education credit hours.

Application for renewals shall not be submitted earlier than twelve months prior to the expiration date of the current certificate.

Expired certificates may be renewed with completion of one hundred continuing education credit hours within the previous five years from the date of the renewal application, or by completing four professional growth plans. Individuals completing fewer than four annual professional growth plans must complete the necessary continuing education credit hours needed to be the equivalent of one hundred continuing education credit hours.

An expired certificate may be renewed by presenting evidence to the superintendent of public instruction of completing the continuing education credit hours or professional growth plan requirement within the five years prior to the date of the renewal application.

(3) **Continuing.**

(a) Candidates for the continuing certificate shall have in addition to the requirements for the initial certificate at least fifteen quarter hours or one hundred fifty continuing education credit hours

of career and technical education educator training in the career and technical education subject area to be certified completed subsequent to the conferral of the baccalaureate degree.

(b) Candidates for the continuing certificate shall provide as a condition for the issuance of a continuing certificate documentation of two years of teaching/coordination in the career and technical education subject area certified to teach with an authorized employer (i.e., school district(s) or skills center(s)).

(4) **Continuing certificate renewal.** Candidates for renewal of the continuing certificate shall complete since the previous continuing certificate:

(a) Ten quarter hours or one hundred continuing education credit hours of career and technical education educator training, or four professional growth plans as defined in WAC 181-85-033. Individuals completing fewer than four annual professional growth plans must complete the necessary continuing education credit hours needed to be the equivalent of one hundred continuing education credit hours.

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An expired certificate may be renewed by presenting evidence to the superintendent of public instruction of completing the continuing education credit hours or professional growth plan requirement within the five years prior to the date of the renewal application.

(b) Continuing education or professional growth plans for teachers at the elementary and secondary levels in STEM-related subjects must include a specific focus on the integration of science, mathematics, technology, and engineering instruction as per RCW 28A.410.2212. This renewal requirement applies to career and technical education endorsement areas. This STEM continuing education requirement for certificate renewal is as described in WAC 181-85-075(6).

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