

**WAC 181-85-030 Continuing education credit hour—Definition.** As used in this chapter, the term "continuing education credit hour" shall mean:

(1) For each college or university semester hour credit, fifteen hours of continuing education credit hours shall be granted.

(2) For each college or university quarter hour credit, ten hours of continuing education credit hours shall be granted.

(3) For each sixty minutes of instruction in coursework provided by a vocational-technical college, one continuing education credit hour shall be granted.

(4) For each sixty minutes of instructional time in continuing education units (CEUs) or other noncredit bearing units provided by an accredited institution of higher education, under WAC 181-79A-030, one continuing education credit hour shall be granted.

(5) For each sixty minutes of instructional time in continuing education approved by the Washington state department of children, youth, and families to maintain staff standards and qualifications for early learning providers under chapter 110-300 WAC, one continuing education credit hour shall be granted.

(6) For each sixty minutes of approved in-service education including reasonable time for breaks and passing time, one continuing education credit hour shall be granted. In the application of this subsection, the in-service education provider shall determine what is reasonable.

(7) In the application of this section, approved in-service credit hours shall not include:

(a) Routine staff meetings—such as district, building, or area meetings within an agency, district, or building—to discuss or explain operational policies or administrative practices within the agency, district, or building;

(b) Business meetings of professional associations to discuss operational policies or practices of the association;

(c) Social hours or actual meal time.

(8) In-service education agencies may not issue continuing education credit hours to individuals for serving as the instructor for an in-service program for which that individual is the only participant.

(9) In the application of this section, for the purpose of official records of the amount of in-service credit hours, the in-service provider or the superintendent of public instruction shall round continuing education credit hours down to the nearest half hour of credits actually completed—i.e., .50, and .00—and in no case shall an applicant receive credit for an in-service program that was less than a total of one continuing education credit hour.

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