

Excerpt from State Board of Education Regulation 43-53 Credential Classification

(Statutory Authority: S.C. Code Ann. Section Section 59-5-60(1), 59-25-110, 59-26-10, et seq, and 20 U.S.C. 6301, et seq.

III. Requirements for Credential Advancement

A. To advance his or her credential from one classification to another, the applicant must submit to the Office of Teacher Certification the following:

1. Written request to have the certificate advanced on the designated Office of Teacher Certification action form.
2. Documentation, including transcripts, that State Board of Education requirements have been met for certificate advancement.
3. The specified fee, if such a fee is currently being charged.

B. The effective date of the credential advancement will be based on the following:

1. If the applicant becomes eligible for a revised level of credential between November 1 and April 30, the credential will become valid either from the date the teacher submits the completed application with all the necessary documentation or from the date on which the teacher completes the requirements for the credential, provided that the teacher files his or her application in the Office of Teacher Certification within forty five calendar days after the date on which he or she completes the requirements.
2. If the applicant becomes eligible for a revised level of credential after April 30, the credential will become valid on July 1 of the calendar year in which he or she completes the existing requirements, provided that the completed application is submitted on or before November 1.