



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3319.226 Educator licenses for substitute teaching.

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(A) Beginning July 1, 2019, the state board of education shall issue educator licenses for substitute teaching only under this section.

(B) Except as provided in division (E) of this section, the state board shall adopt rules establishing standards and requirements for obtaining a license under this section and for renewal of the license. Except as provided in division (F) of section 3319.229 of the Revised Code, the rules shall require an applicant to hold a post-secondary degree, but not in any specified subject area. The rules also shall allow the holder of a license issued under this section to work:

(1) For an unlimited number of school days if the license holder has a post-secondary degree in either education or a subject area directly related to the subject of the class the license holder will teach;

(2) For one full semester, subject to the approval of the employing school district board of education, if the license holder has a post-secondary degree in a subject area that is not directly related to the subject of the class that the license holder will teach.

The district superintendent may request that the board approve one or more additional subsequent semester-long periods of teaching for the license holder.

(C) The rules adopted under division (B) of this section shall permit a substitute career-technical teaching license holder to teach outside the license holder's certified career field for up to one semester, subject to approval of the employing school district superintendent.

(D) Any license issued or renewed under former section 3319.226 of the Revised Code that was still in force on November 2, 2018, shall remain in force for the remainder of the term for which it was issued or renewed. Upon the expiration of that term, the holder of that license shall be subject to licensure under the rules adopted under this section.



(E) The state board shall issue an educator license for substitute teaching in accordance with Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code to an applicant if either of the following applies:

(1) The applicant holds a license in another state.

(2) The applicant has satisfactory work experience, a government certification, or a private certification as described in that chapter as a substitute teacher in a state that does not issue that license.