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Provisional Professional Teaching License

This fact sheet is intended to provide information pertaining to The Provisional Professional Teaching route to Licensure.

What is the Provisional Professional Teaching License, PPTL?

A three year provisional educator license issued to an experienced professional for the purpose of teaching Secondary content areas in an Arkansas public or charter school.

What must I submit to qualify for the PPTL?

*Contact ADE for an Application Packet

*First step

- Completed application
- Official Bachelor's degree transcript with a minimum 2.7 overall grade point
- 3 years of verified employment experience in the specific content area of licensure
- Justification statement by the applicant, relating employment experience to the content area
- 2 professional recommendation letters

*ADE will approve or deny and respond to the applicant

*Second step

- Passing scores on Praxis C.O.R.E or approved equivalent exam
- Passing score(s) on Praxis Content area exam(s)
- Cleared Background Checks and Child Maltreatment Central Registry Check

What happens next?

- If approved, the Office of Educator Licensure will send a letter of eligibility for the 3 year PPTL

When will the provisional license be issued?

- Upon receipt of the signed letter of eligibility and offer of employment to teach classes for credit, part or full-time, in an Arkansas Public or Charter School
- Upon receipt of the pre-service professional development

How do I convert to a 5 year standard license?

- Passing score on the Praxis pedagogy exam
- 24 hours of pedagogy training
- Mentored for 3 years
- Rating of proficient or above on the summative evaluation at end of 3 years
- Recommendation from employing superintendent for the standard license
- Pay fee \$75

For more information please contact the Office of Educator Licensure at 501-682-4342.
<http://www.arkansased.gov/divisions/educator%20effectiveness/becoming-a-teacher-or-school-leader/routes-to-teacher-licensurepreparation>

