

TECPAC CRITERIA FOR CREDENTIAL RENEWAL

The candidate eligible for renewal must submit the TECPAC Renewal Application no later than six months prior to the expiration date of the credential and schedule a PAS or BAS assessment visit. Some examples of professional contributions include presenting at conferences, providing training for other child care programs, active membership in an Advisory Committee, or becoming a mentor. The criteria for renewal at each level is as follows:



Provisional

- 9 semester hours of official college coursework toward Early Childhood Education degree
- PAS/BAS assessment score minimum of a 4.0 (maintenance or improvement expected)
- Maintained annual membership for 3 years prior to renewal in an early childhood professional organization and **one** professional contribution
- Renewal every 3 years

Standard

- 90 clock hours of job specific professional development
- PAS/BAS assessment score minimum of a 4.5 (maintenance or improvement expected)
- Maintained annual membership for 3 years prior to renewal in an early childhood professional organization and **three** professional contributions
- Renewal every 3 years

Advanced

- Leadership Paper – 1000-1200 words demonstrating growth as an Administrator
- 90 clock hours of job specific professional development (It is recommended that non-ECE majors take 2 college classes in ECE)
- PAS/BAS assessment score minimum of a 5.0 (maintenance or improvement expected)
- Maintained annual membership for 5 years prior to renewal in an early childhood professional organization and **four** professional contributions
- Renewal every 5 years

Master

- Leadership Paper – 1000-1200 words demonstrating growth as an Administrator
- 90 clock hours of job specific professional development (It is recommended that non-ECE majors take 2 college classes in ECE)
- PAS/BAS assessment score minimum of a 5.0 (maintenance or improvement expected)
- Maintained annual membership for 5 years prior to renewal in an early childhood professional organization and **five** professional contributions
- Renewal every 5 years

Note: The Leadership Paper should include information that focuses on activities that have taken place since your initial awarding of the Credential and that can be supported with documentation.

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