## FLDOE: Rule 6A-4.0051 Renewal and Reinstatement of a Professional Certificate

## **Renewal Requirements**

- <u>NEW</u>-An educator whose application for renewal of a certificate with a beginning validity date
  of <u>July 1, 2020</u>, or thereafter, must have earned at least two (2) college credits, or forty (40)
  inservice points in evidence-based instruction and interventions per Rule 6A-6.053, F.A.C.,
  specifically designed for students with characteristics of dyslexia, including the use of
  explicit, systematic, and sequential approached to reading instruction, developing
  phonological and phonemic awareness, decoding, and implementing multisensory
  intervention strategies if the educator is renewing any of the following coverage:
  - Elementary Education (K-6)
  - Prekindergarten/Primary Education (Age 3-Grade3)
  - Elementary Education (1-6)
  - Primary Education (K-3)
  - English (1-6)
  - Middle Grades English (5-9)
  - Middle Grades Integrated Curriculum (5-9)
  - English (6-12)
  - Reading (K-12)
  - Reading Endorsement
  - ESOL (K-12)
- A total of 120 component points are required to renew a certificate. Six semester hours of college
  credit (two college courses of three credits) or the equivalent must be earned during each
  renewal period. Sixty inservice points are equivalent to three semester hours of college
  credit. For more than four subjects (excluding endorsements), you will need an additional three
  semesters of college credit or the equivalent of sixty inservice points.
- 20 of the 120 component points must be in Exceptional Student Education/Students with Disabilities (ESE/SWD). The requirement does not add to the total hours required by the Department of Education for continuing education or inservice training.
- A passing score on the Florida subject area test specific to the coverage to be renewed is equivalent to three semester hours of college credit for renewal purposes.
- A valid certificate issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) will renew the Florida certificate only in the subject shown on the national certificate for as long as the national certificate remains valid.
- Teaching a college course at an acceptable institution may be accepted as credit earned for that course.