MCPS TEACH APPLICATION GUIDE-ADDING AN ENDORSEMENT

The new TEACH was created for non-school system educators. Unless we have provided information to you to complete a particular application, please contact the MCPS Certificate Unit before attempting to complete any applications. MCPS will provide explicit instructions on the various TEACH applications required for us to process your Maryland certificate issuance, renewal, reinstatement, and changes. You will use those instructions to guide you through the new TEACH portal since you already have education and employment information, as well as, official documents in your State records.

- MD certificated educators employed by MCPS in a position for which MD certification is required will be encouraged to complete the available online requests and <u>using very explicit instructions provided by MCPS</u> in order to streamline the application process for our educators who will not need to complete many of the application questions. As a reminder, official transcripts must still be provided to MCPS for both the employment and State records.
- <u>Contact the MCPS Certification Unit</u> to inform us that you have completed a test or coursework that qualifies you for a new endorsement. Once verified by the unit, you will receive instructions to complete the TEACH endorsement application.

Add Endorsement to an existing certificate –Use the instructions provided.

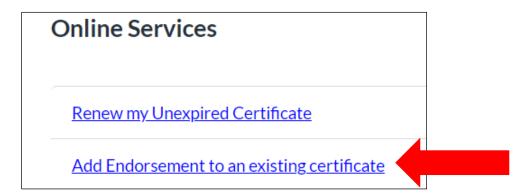
- ✓ Teaching endorsements via testing will take 4-6 weeks and confirmation of completion will be via TEACH.
- ✓ Specialist or Administrator/Supervisor endorsements will take 4-8 weeks and confirmation of completion will be via TEACH.

NOTE: When we confirm your eligibility for the new endorsement we will let you know the current processing time depending on the demands during the time of year.

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Add Endorsement to an existing certificate – Use the instructions provided.

- 1) Log into the TEACH system at https://certificationhub.msde.maryland.gov
- 2) Under Online Services, choose "Add Endorsement to an existing certificate."



3) First, click the link to review the requirements. You will not be able to move forward until you review the requirements. As you complete each section, the red X will change to a green checkmark. At the end of each section, click "Save and Next." If you have any questions, please email the MCPS Certification Unit at certification@mcpsmd.org. DO NOT contact MSDE with questions. Since you are employed with MCPS, all questions are required to be answered by MCPS.

Application Instructions

Welcome to The Educator Application and Certification Hub (TEACH) of Maryland! Your application must be complete prior to submission to the Maryland State Department of Education Office of Certification. If deficiencies are found in your application, it will be returned for correction. Once all deficiencies are corrected, your application will be reviewed by a certification specialist. Applications that are not corrected within one year of submission will be purged from the system.

You will continue to receive text message and email updates as your application moves through the review and approval process. When your application is approved, you will be notified. No payment is required when adding endorsements to an existing certificate.

College/university transcripts must be official and may be submitted by using our Parchment interface or by U.S. Mail. If mailed, transcripts must come directly from the institution or be mailed in a sealed student mailer. Applicants may not upload copies of their own transcripts. Test score reports and most other supporting documents may be uploaded within the application.

If you have questions, please contact the Maryland State Department of Education Office of Certification at 410-767-0390.

Click here to review the requirements prior to continuing, You will not be able to move forward with your application until you review this information. Once reviewed, you may select the area(s) for which you would like to apply.

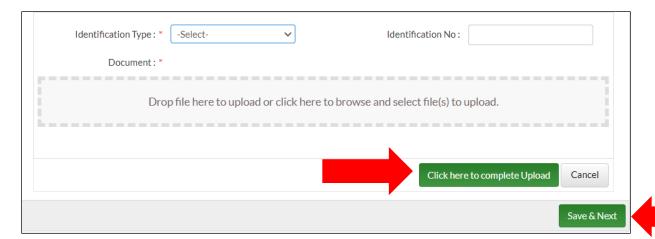
Save & Next

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First, elect a category of certification. For teaching areas, select Teacher. Then, select the endorsement area you are requesting to add to your certificate.

				Area Of Certification
Please select a Cat	tegory of Certification			
Teacher	☐ Administrator / Supervisor	☐ Specialist	☐ Public Librarian	
Areas of Certifica	ation Teacher			
☐ AGRICULT	TURE/AGRIBUSINESS AND RENEW	ABLE NATURAL R	ESOURCES (7-12)	
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☐ ART (7-12))			
☑ BIOLOGY	(7-12)			
□ BLIND/VIS	SUALLY IMPAIRED (PK-12)			
BUSINESS	EDUCATION (7-12)			

4) On the Personal Information page, you are required to upload proof of identification. Select one of the options listed and upload a copy of the identification to the system. Once uploaded, choose "Click here to complete Upload," then choose "Save and Next."



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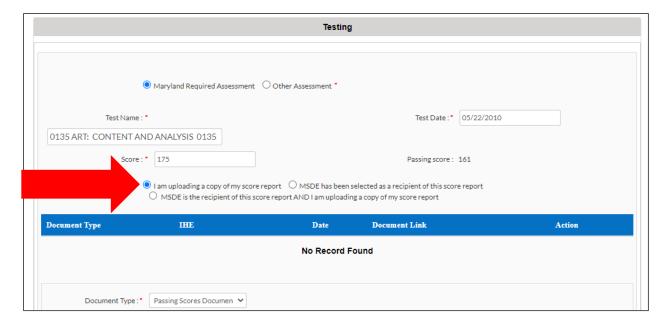
5) On the Education page, click the box indicating "I do not have any information for this section." MCPS will update any degree changes on your behalf.

	Education
☑ I do not have any information for this section	

6) On each Employment History section, DO NOT add experience. You will either choose "Save and Next" if experience is already listed, or you will choose "I do not have any information for this section" if no experience is listed. MCPS will update any experience on your behalf.

NOTE: MSDE EIS did not have currently employed; therefore, all educators will not have this verified in MSDE TEACH until we are able to update it when we need to work with your TEACH records.

7) On the Testing page, add any passing test score(s) obtained for the endorsement(s) to be added in the current application to add endorsement. Choose the option "I am uploading a copy of my score report," and upload the copy of the score report to this page and be sure to click the button to complete the Upload. Then, click "Save and Next."



8) Move through any remaining pages by checking "I do not have any information for this section" or "Save and Next" because MCPS takes care of anything necessary on your behalf.

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9) Complete the Affirmation and Signature page, then click "Submit Application." Once submitted, you will be able to monitor the progress on the Educator Dashboard. You will then receive a confirmation email once this process has been completed.

Application Submission				
You are about to submit an application. Please click on the 'Submit Application' button below once you are ready to complete the application.				
	Submit Application			

10) Once submitted, "Application Submitted" = "Completed." You will be able to monitor the progress on the Educator Dashboard. If items are needed, they may be indicated on your Educator Dashboard for a response; however, MCPS will send you correspondence via TEACH or via MCPS Outlook.

