Renewal Requirements for a Tier 2 License

A Tier 2 license is valid for up to two school years. In order to renew a Tier 2 license, both the licensed Tier 2 teacher and the hiring district must provide evidence of eligibility and apply for renewal after June 30th of the renewal year. A Tier 2 license may be renewed up to three times. Note: If a Tier 2 teacher is requested for a different content field or district during the validity of the license, the Tier 2 teacher would apply for a new Tier 2 license.

Hiring District:

Before applying for renewal, the hiring district must show that the Tier 2 teacher participated in:

- Cultural competency training. This training may be supplied by the school district and is not required for future renewals. (Minn. Rule 8710.0310, Subp. D)
- Mental illness training, including a minimum of one hour of suicide prevention and is not required for future renewals.
- Mentorship and evaluation aligned with the district’s teacher development and evaluation model.

Applicant:

The Tier 2 teacher must provide the following evidence:

- Completion of cultural competency training for first renewal.
- Completion of mental illness training, including one hour of suicide prevention, for first renewal.
- If the Tier 2 teacher obtained the Tier 2 license by providing enrollment status in a Minnesota approved teacher preparation program, the provider must certify that meaningful progress has been made by the Tier 2 teacher. Meaningful progress made toward completion of the content specific program is defined by the provider.

General Information:

A Tier 2 license may be renewed up to three times in a lifetime, regardless of content field or hiring district. Additional renewals may be allowed if the district can show “good cause.” To renew a Tier 2 license for the second or third time, the hiring district must continue to provide and verify mentorship and evaluation. The Tier 2 teacher does not have to retake cultural competency or mental illness training after the first renewal.