NEW LICENSURE RENEWAL REQUIREMENT FOR K – 12 TEACHERS

State guidelines require Teachers of grades K – 12 to complete three (3) renewal credits in their academic subject areas, including strategies to teach those subjects, during each five-year renewal cycle effective July 1, 2009.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: My license expires 6/30/2009, do I have to complete 3 subject matter CEUs?
A: No, only those with a license expiration after 7/1/2009 must meet this requirement. Those with a five-year renewal cycle expiring 6/30/2010 will be the first to meet this requirement.

Q: Am I required to have the 3 subject matter CEUs if I am a Curriculum Facilitator, Pre-K teacher, Counselor, Media Specialist, Psychologist, Social Worker, Assistant Principal, Principal, Speech Language Pathologist?
A: No, only TEACHERS of grades Kindergarten through 12 must meet the requirement

Q: I am certified in multiple licensure areas. Am I required to have 3 in each area or 3 in only one area?
A: The three CEUs may be related to any of your licensure areas, but preferably in those you are currently teaching.

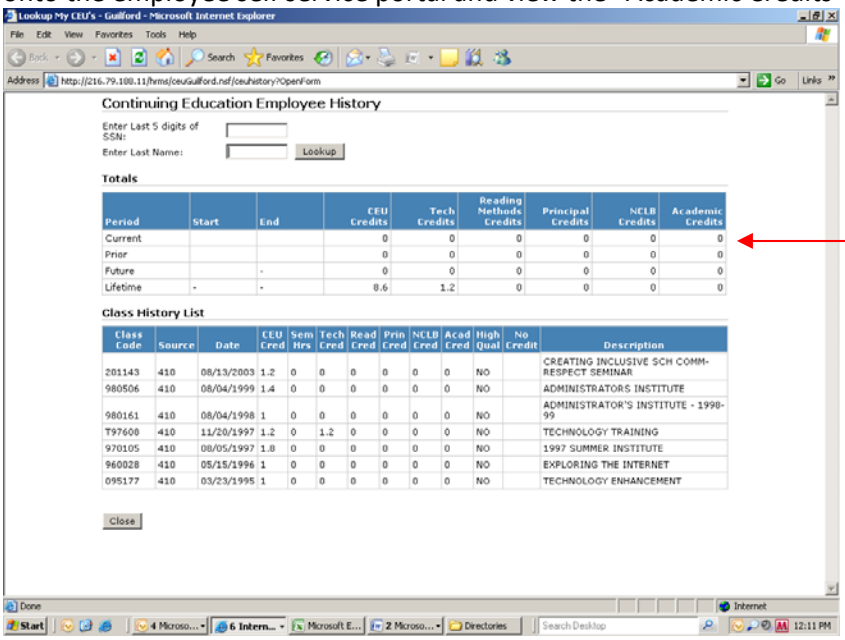
Q: I am a K – 6 teacher, a K – 8 reading teacher or 6 – 8 Language Arts teacher and am required to have 3 CEUs in reading. Am I required to earn an additional 3 subject matter CEUs or can my reading CEUs count dually for subject matter?
A: If you are a K- 6 teacher, K – 8 Reading teacher or 6 – 8 Language Arts teacher, your reading CEUs can count dually as subject matter CEUs.

Q: I completed the National Board Certification process. Will that count towards subject matter CEU's?
A: Yes. Completing National Board Certification process gives you a full renewal cycle of credits including reading and subject matter.

Q: Will I be given credit for courses already taken within my current renewal cycle related to my subject matter?
A: Yes. The Offices of Professional Development and Human Resources have coded previous courses as "subject matter" CEUs. You may view your current totals on the Employee Self Service Portal:
https://employeeservices.gcsnc.com/login/logingeneral.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fDefault.aspx

WHAT TO LOOK FOR:

In determining the number of "subject matter Continuing Education Units" currently posted to your account, please log onto the employee self service portal and view the "Academic Credits" posted under the "Current" period.



WHO TO CALL

- If you have taken courses or attended workshops that are not listed on the Employee Self Service Portal, contact Rick Cobb, cobbr@gcsnc.com.
- If you did not receive subject matter credit for a particular course and believe you should have, please contact Rick Cobb, in the Office of Professional Development at cobbr@gcsnc.com. If you have your 3 academic credits, please do not contact the Office of Professional Development regarding additional courses that you believe should be marked as academic credits.
- If you **do not** have your 3 academic credits and you believe that a listed course should count towards academic credit contact Martha Snavely, snavelm@gcsnc.com.

Link to NCDPI licensure renewal process:
http://www.ncpublicschools.org/licensure/update/