

Guidelines on Expiring Teacher Licenses Based on Unsuccessful RESA Attempts

The Ohio Department of Education has established the following guidelines for teachers holding a Resident Educator License or an Alternative Resident Educator License to advance to a professional license:

Teachers in Ohio holding a resident educator or alternative resident educator license must successfully complete a four-year teacher residency program and successfully complete the performance-based assessment known as the Resident Educator Summative Assessment (RESA) to be eligible to advance to a five-year professional license.

According to the revised Ohio Administrative Code 3301-24-04, after three unsuccessful RESA attempts, a Resident Educator becomes ineligible for a professional license or any renewal or extension of the Resident Educator License or Alternative Resident Educator License.

It's important to note, under this rule:

- The resident educator is permitted no more than three total attempts to successfully complete the performance-based assessment.
- The resident educator who fails to successfully complete the performance-based assessment after three total attempts will be *permanently ineligible* to advance to a professional license in the respective area(s), or any renewal or extension of the resident educator license(s) or alternative resident educator license(s), subject to the exception outlined in the next paragraph.

Based upon this rule, a resident educator who becomes permanently ineligible to advance to a professional license in the respective area(s), or any renewal or extension of the resident educator license(s) or alternative resident educator license(s) may:

- Pursue another licensure area or grade band through an accredited teacher preparation program at an approved college or university.
- Pursue an [alternative pathway](#) for teacher licensure in another licensure area.
- Apply for a [substitute license](#).

You may review the current Ohio Administrative Code 3301-24-04 at: <http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/3301-24-04v1>