



Montana offers eight different license types. Brief descriptions of each are noted below. For full requirements and details, please reference the appropriate license class link in the following descriptions.

### **Class 1 & Class 2**

- **Class 1 – Professional Teacher’s License.** Those who hold a master’s degree in education or an endorsable teaching area from a regionally accredited college or university, or obtained certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, and have a minimum of three years of teaching experience within a P-12 state accredited school system. [Class 1 Professional Teaching License Requirements and Paper Application](#)
- **Class 2 – Standard Teacher’s License.** Those who hold a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university. [Class 2 Standard Teaching License Requirements and Paper Application](#)

### **Class 3 - Administrative License.**

Categories are: Superintendent; Elementary Principal; Secondary Principal; K-12 Principal; Supervisor; Special Education Supervisor. [Class 3 Administrative Licenses Requirements and Paper Applications](#)

### **Class 4 - Career and Technical Education.**

These licenses are specific to career and technical education. There are three types of Class 4 licenses:

- **Class 4A.** Those holding a valid Montana teaching license, but without an appropriate career and technical education endorsement.
- **Class 4B.** Hold, at minimum, a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university, but do not hold a valid Montana teaching license with the appropriate career and technical education endorsement.
- **Class 4C.** Those individuals who hold at least a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma and meet the minimum requirements for endorsement.

[Class 4 Educator Licensure Requirements and Paper Application](#)

### **Class 5 - Provisional License.**

May be issued to applicants that need to complete course work for full licensure. Categories are: Elementary; Secondary, K-12 and P-12 Special Education Levels; Superintendent; Elementary Principal; Secondary Principal; K-12 Principal; Supervisor; Specialist. [Class 5 Provisional License Requirements and Paper Application](#)

### **Class 6 - Specialist License.**

Categories are: School Counselor; School Psychologist. [Class 6 School Counselor Requirements and Paper Application](#); [Class 6 School Psychologist Requirements and Paper Application](#)

### **Class 7 – Native American Language and Culture Specialist.**

Based upon verification by the authorized representative of a tribal government that has a memorandum of understanding with the Superintendent of Public Instruction. [Class 7 Educator License Requirements and Paper Application](#)

### **Class 8 - Dual Credit Postsecondary Faculty License.**

Required (unless already licensed as Class 1, 2 or 4) whenever a college or university faculty member is teaching a dual credit course at the institution for which one or more students will earn both high school and college credit. [Class 8 Faculty License Requirements and Paper Application](#)