

**ACCEPTABLE TEACHING EXPERIENCE
FOR RENEWAL**

1. Verified administrative, supervisory and teaching experience in a public school operated by a local education agency in the United States and its possessions.
2. Verified administrative, supervisory and teaching experience in public schools or non-public schools approved by recognized accrediting agencies. (Accrediting or approval agencies are the State Departments of Education and/or Southern, Middle States, North Central, New England, Northwest, and Western Associations of Schools and Colleges.) The burden of proof rests with the individual.
3. Employees of the Tennessee Department of Education who held a valid Tennessee license during the period of employment for which experience is requested.
4. Verified administrative, supervisory and teaching experience in a college and/or university as a full-time employee (paid full salary) and as a voting member of the faculty. The institutions must be accredited by recognized accrediting agencies. (Accrediting agencies are the State Departments of Education and/or Southern, Middle States, North Central, New England, Northwest, and Western Associations of Schools and Colleges.) Graduate assistants are excluded. The burden of proof rests with the individual.
5. Educators who enter active military service (not reserves or guard) while possessing a valid Tennessee teacher's license may have years of service added to the period of validity of the license. Experience is earned on a year for year basis to a maximum of four (4) years. The educator must be discharged from military service before such experience may be applied toward the extension.
6. Verified administrative, supervisory and teaching experience in Kindergarten through twelve grade schools or any combination thereof operated by the United States Government either within or outside of the United States.
7. Verified teaching experience of teacher in public schools (K-12) on a foreign exchange basis.