

# Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing (CEAS)

## Step 1

[Establishing Eligibility](#) — Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing (CEAS)

The Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing (CEAS) is issued to an individual who has completed a teacher preparation program and met requirements for certification, including academic study and applicable test requirements. The Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing (CEAS) authorizes an individual to seek and accept employment in New Jersey public schools requiring certification.

The [Certifications and Endorsements](#) webpage outlines the requirements for certificates.

**Note:** Candidates who complete an approved [New Jersey Educator Preparation Program](#) will be nominated for their CEAS by the institution.

## Step 2

[Employment and Provisional Teacher Process \(PTP\)](#) — Provisional Certificate

### Provisional Certificate

- A candidate cannot apply for the provisional certificate; this certificate is requested by a school district.
- This certificate legalizes employment for a newly hired teacher after the teacher obtains a Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing (CEAS).
- This certificate is valid for up to two years and expires on July 31 of the second year.
- The provisional certificate can be renewed one time if standard requirements have not yet been met by the expiration date.

### Employment

Once employment has been secured, it is the responsibility of the hiring school district to enroll the teacher into the Provisional Teacher Process. A provisional certificate is then issued which is valid for a period of up to two school years.

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### Provisional Teacher Process (PTP)

The PTP is a school-based training and evaluation program provided during the initial years of teaching in New Jersey.

The following must be completed while employed:

- Mentoring
- Evaluation

#### Mentoring

The provisional teacher must be mentored for a minimum of 30 weeks by a certified teacher in the district/school. Mentoring requirements are located at [Educator Mentoring and Induction Support](#).

#### Evaluation

The provisional teacher must be evaluated based on the AchieveNJ instrument utilized in the district/school and receive two effective or highly effective final summative ratings, one per school year within a three-year span. Visit [AchieveNJ](#) for additional information.

## Step 3

[Becoming Permanently Certified](#) — Standard Teaching Certificate

### Standard Teaching Certificate

The standard certificate is a permanent certificate issued to a teacher who has met all requirements for state certification. The district/school will request the issuance of a standard teaching certificate upon successful completion of the Provisional Teacher Process (PTP).

**Note:** A candidate cannot apply for the standard certificate; this certificate is requested by a school district.

To receive a standard certificate, the following must occur:

1. District/school verified mentoring completion in NJEdCert.
2. District/school submitted the final summative ratings for each school year in NJEdCert.
3. Educator completed an Oath of Allegiance via NJEdCert.