

End of the Biennium Frequently Asked Questions

What happens to documents that have been uploaded prior to midnight on June 30, 2019 and are listed as "Submitted" in my profile in July?

- Any education, training or credentials documents that are uploaded into your profile PRIOR TO midnight on June 30th, will be reviewed and applied to your Biennium 2 Career Pathway Level (CPL) and Professional Development Certificate (PD Certificate) during the month of July. There is no way to expedite this process as we receive several thousand submissions a week. **All documents uploaded by the deadline will be verified in the order received.**

Who are the professionals that need the required professional development?

- Any professional holding a qualifying role at a STAR rated program will need to complete a PD Certificate. The number of hours required may be prorated based upon two things:
 1. When the program became STAR rated
~AND~
 2. When the professional entered the qualifying role

The date the system will use to determine your prorating is the **earliest date** of either the professional's start date in a qualifying role or the date the program became STAR rated.

What is a qualifying role?

- A qualifying role is an Administrator, a Lead Teacher or an Assistant teacher. Please check your employment records to be sure the roles are entered correctly as this will greatly affect the prorating in the system.

I took a training on June 30th at 9PM. What biennium will that be applied to?

- Any training completed prior to midnight on June 30, 2019 will be applied to your Biennium 2 PD Certificate. The trainers have been instructed to submit attendance prior to midnight to be sure you receive credit for the course in the correct biennium.

I took an online course with OCALI that is still not verified. How will my attendance be added to my profile?

- OCALI is aware of the end of the biennium and will have attendance applied to all professionals who have taken and registered for the course in their registry profile, by June 30th at midnight. If you have completed the courses but have not registered through your registry profile yet, you will need to do that before credit can be applied. OCALI has created a helpful video to walk you through how to do that:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zLAnfS8VcGk>

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After July 1st:

Why does my profile CPL and PD Certificate indicator look different?

- July 1st the OPR will be off line for the biennium transition. When your profile becomes available again, you will see that your current CPL and current PD Certificate tier have been moved to the previous section. You may possibly see a lower CPL and PD Certificate tier for your current level. Please refer to the Assessed As level as that is the level that ODJFS and ODE will use to determine compliance with Step Up To Quality requirements. Please note that until you obtain Ohio Approved professional development to achieve a PD Certificate Tier 1, there will not be any points in the current CPL for PD.

Why did my CPL drop?

- July 1st, 2019 begins a new biennium (Biennium 3) which means your Professional Development hours start over. You will have two years to obtain the required number of hours of professional development to obtain a PD Certificate. Your CPL may have dropped because you no longer have points for a completed PD Certificate. Once you complete your required number of Ohio Approved training hours to obtain a PD Certificate, you will earn those points back.

Why don't I have points for training anymore?

- Your training points will be reset to zero until a completed PD Certificate has been obtained in Biennium 3.

Why do I have enough points to be a CPL 4, but I show a CPL 2?

- The CPL model states that for a professional to obtain a CPL 3 or higher they must have one of the following verified in their registry profile:
 - Current CDA and verified High School education
 - ECE or related degree
 - Unrelated degree with a minimum of a PD Certificate Tier 1

If you have an unrelated degree verified in your profile, you must obtain a PD Certificate Tier 1 to “unlock” the higher CPL.

Where did my PD Tier go?

- Your current PD Tier will reset to a zero until a PD Certificate Tier 1 can be obtained. You will still be assessed as your highest tier and that will be indicated in the green circle on your profile.

What does “assessed as” mean?

- Assessed as is indicated in your profile in the two green circles, one for your CPL and one for your PD Certificate Tier. The assessed as number means this is the number your licensing agency will use to determine your level. The CPL model is built to always look at your current and your previous and assess you at the higher of the two. Therefore, you will see the higher of the two numbers in your assessed as circle.

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How do I tell what my licensing specialist will use to assess me as?

- You will be assessed as the higher of the levels, current or previous. The assessed as green circle in your profile will indicate which CPL and PD Certificate Tier your licensing specialist will be using.

Will I need to complete a full PD Certificate after July 1st?

- Yes, after July 1st, Biennium 3 begins and runs until June 30, 2021. You will have two years to complete your required number of hours of professional development. The number of hours required may be prorated based upon two things:
 1. When the program became STAR rated
 - ~AND~
 2. When the professional entered the qualifying role

Whichever happened most recently, will be the date the system will use to determine your prorating.

I took at training on July 3rd, what biennium will those hours be applied to?

3. Any training taken after midnight on June 30th, 2019, will be applied to the new biennium (Biennium 3) which begins July 1st, 2019 and runs until June 30th, 2021.