Wisconsin Licensing System for Teachers, Pupil Services, and Administrators

**TIER I**
1-Year License with Stipulations
- WI program
- OOS program
- DSPS Speech/Language
- District Requested
- WIP Intern

3-Year License with Stipulations
1-Year Administrator License

Guest Teacher License
Charter School License
Short-Term Substitute License
Long-Term Substitute License
Experience-Based License for technical & vocational education subjects

**TIER II**

Provisional License
A first-time Provisional License requires:
- Bachelor’s degree or higher
- Completion of a PI 34.040 eligible licensure method. (State approved program, license based on reciprocity, license based on equivalency, Montessori Pathway, etc.)

On-going Provisional Licenses
- The license holder hasn’t obtained 6 semesters of successful experience under the Provisional License.
- The license holder returns to the profession after an absence of 5 or more years.
- Statutory stipulations remain.

**TIER III**

Lifetime License
To first become eligible, complete 6 semesters of experience in the area of the Provisional license.

To maintain a Lifetime License, the license holder must remain employed in education in at least one of the Lifetime License areas.

Invalidated Lifetime License
When a Lifetime License is invalidated, the educator must apply for a Provisional License and work for 6 semesters under that license before becoming eligible for the Lifetime License again.

**TIER IV**

Master Educator License
A first-time Master Educator License requires:
- Successful completion of the National Board Certification or Wisconsin Master Educator Assessment Process.
- That the applicant holds a valid Tier III-Lifetime License. For WMEAP, the teacher must have at least 5 years of teaching experience at the Tier III-Lifetime License level.

To maintain a Master Educator License, the license holder must remain employed in education in at least one of the Master Educator License areas.

Invalidated Master Educator License
When a Master Educator License is invalidated, the educator must apply for a license. The license issued depends on whether the educator meets the requirements of that Licensing Tier.

Adding teaching licenses via content test, supplemental teaching licenses via an approved program or administrative license (except for school business administrator & CTE coordinator) requires eligibility for a Tier II teaching license.