

2-Year Resident Educator Program

House Bill 442 (GA133) changed the Resident Educator License to a two-year license and the Ohio Resident Educator Program to a two-year program effective April 12, 2023. Resident Educators will continue to be required to successfully complete mentoring, locally determined counseling, and the teacher performance assessment (RESA). See: <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-revised-code/section-3319.223/>. Local schools and districts continue to provide a Resident Educator Program aligned with the Ohio Resident Educator Program Standards, the Ohio Resident Educator Mentor Standards, Ohio Standards for the Teaching Profession, and the Ohio Standards for Professional Development.

Requirements

Mentoring	Performance Assessment	Counseling
<p>School leaders are required to provide mentoring by teachers to resident educators within the 2-Year Program. Mentors must be state-certified by successfully completing the 12-hour state training for new mentors. Mentors are selected and recruited at the local level where they are provided additional support and opportunities for growth and development. Mentors follow the Guiding Principles for Mentoring Chart to focus mentoring on the needs of the resident educator. Beginning in March 2023, all new mentors will receive training aligned with the 2-Year Program.</p>	<p>The Resident Educator Summative Assessment (RESA) must be taken in Program Year 2.</p> <p>Resident Educators who have completed two years of the program and passed the RESA by July 1, 2023, may apply to advance to the 5-Year Professional Teaching License. Resident Educators holding an Alternative Resident Educator License must complete all requirements listed on their license and on their Alternative Resident Educator Evaluation before advancing to a professional license.</p> <p>Resident educators who were in Program Year 2 in school year 2022-23, but did not take or pass the RESA, must be registered for the RESA as a Program Year 3 in school year 2023-24.</p>	<p>Local schools/districts are required to provide “<i>Counseling, as determined necessary by the school district or school, to ensure that program participants receive needed professional development.</i>” (ORC Section 3319.223)</p> <p>Many aspects of counseling are met in the mentoring component when mentors tailor support and focus mentoring on the individual needs of resident educators. Counseling supports resident educators by ensuring they receive professional development based on their needs.</p>

Other Considerations

Program Year 1

Schools/Districts will provide each eligible Resident Educator with a mentor in Year 1.

Resident Educators who successfully complete the local Mentoring and Counseling in Year 1 have completed Year 1 of the program.

Resident Educators who **do not** successfully complete the local Mentoring and Counseling in Year 1 must repeat Year 1 of the program.

Program Year 2

Schools/Districts will provide each eligible Resident Educator with a mentor in Year 2 and a RESA facilitator (who has completed the RESA Facilitator Training LMS course). The mentor and the RESA facilitator may be the same individual.

Resident Educators who successfully complete the local Mentoring and Counseling in Year 2 **and** who successfully complete the RESA in Year 2 have completed all the requirements of the Resident Educator Program and may apply to advance their Resident Educator* license to a professional educator license. [*Teachers holding an Alternative Resident Educator license must complete additional requirements in order to advance their license to a professional license.]

Resident Educators who **do not** successfully complete the local Mentoring and Counseling in Year 2 and/or who **do not** successfully complete the RESA in Year 2 will not have completed the program Year 2 requirements and may apply to extend their Resident Educator license.

Guidance/Resources

Policies and Procedures: All policies and procedures for implementation of the Resident Educator Program and the three (3) required program components are developed and implemented at the local level.

The Resident Educator Program team developed updated guidelines and resources to support local schools/districts as they transition to the 2-Year Program. This section lists recently updated resources and is not a complete list of all resources available. For detailed information, visit the [Resident Educator Website](#).

Technical Assistance: REProgram@education.ohio.gov

[Resident Educator Program and Mentor Standards](#)

[Office of Licensure-Resident Educator Program Transition- FAQs](#)

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[Alternative Licensure Information](#)

For Mentors	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mentors trained and certified prior to 2023-24 are not required to be retrained but should view the new mentor resource, "2-Year RE Program Mentor Updates." 2. Two Learning Management System (LMS) courses are available for mentors, Advance Mentoring course and the Exploring Teacher Leadership course. 3. Guiding Principles for Mentoring Chart 4. Mentoring Practices for Growth and Professional Learning
For Program Coordinators	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ohio Resident Educator Program Orientation PowerPoint Slides 2. LMS course: Ohio Resident Educator Program Coordinator Orientation
For Resident Educators	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ohio Resident Educator Program Orientation PowerPoint Slides
For RESA Facilitators	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LMS course: RESA Facilitation Training

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