R277. Education, Administration.

R277-315. Educator Professional Learning Procedures and USBE Credit.

R277-315-1. Authority and Purpose.

(1) This rule is authorized by:
   (a) Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3, which vests general control and supervision over public education in the Board;
   (b) Subsection 53E-3-501(1)(a), which allows the Board to make rules regarding the qualifications of personnel providing direct student services and the certification of educators; and
   (c) Subsection 53E-3-401(4), which allows the Board to make rules to execute the Board's duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law.

(2) The purpose of this rule is to establish standards for awarding USBE credit for professional learning.


"Professional learning" has the same meaning as provided in Subsection 53G-11-303(1).


(1) The Superintendent shall approve proposals for USBE professional learning.

(2) A professional learning proposal described in Subsection (1) shall include:
   (a) a description of how the proposal provides fidelity to the professional learning standards as provided in Section 53G-11-303;
   (b) a descriptive outline of the professional learning;
   (c) a schedule of meeting dates and times; and
   (d) professional qualifications of each instructor.

(3) An LEA or other organization approved by the Superintendent shall request approval for USBE professional learning credit through the online professional learning system connected to the online Board certification system.
(4) An LEA or other organization approved by the Superintendent shall make a request under Subsection (3) at least three weeks prior to the beginning of the scheduled professional learning.

R277-315-4. USBE Professional Learning Credit.

The Superintendent shall award USBE credit upon completion of professional learning as follows:

(1) one-half credit for seven to 13 contact hours plus a two hour assigned learning task or reflection;

(2) one credit for 14 to 20 contact hours plus a four hour assigned learning task or reflection.

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