16 NCAC 06C .0362 is proposed for adoption as follows:

**RENEWAL CREDIT REQUIREMENTS TO RENEW A CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL LICENSE FOR TEACHERS AND SUPPORT SERVICE PERSONNEL**

(a) A teacher with a K-12 license must meet the licensure renewal requirements for the grade-span corresponding to their teaching assignment.

(b) Teachers of grades kindergarten through five with licenses expiring on or after June 30, 2019 must complete 8.0 renewal credits during each five-year renewal cycle that meet the following requirements:

   (1) 3 renewal credits in their academic subject area;

   (2) 3 renewal credits addressing literacy pursuant to G.S. 115C-270.30(b)(2); and

   (3) 2 renewal credits addressing the Digital Learning Competencies.

(c) Teachers of grades six through twelve with licenses expiring on or after June 30, 2019 must complete 8.0 renewal credits during each five-year renewal cycle that meet the following requirements:

   (1) 3 renewal credits in their academic subject areas;

   (2) 2 renewal credits addressing the Digital Learning Competencies; and

   (3) 3 general credits, which does not include years of teaching experience, at the discretion of the employing LEA.

(d) Student services personnel with licenses expiring on or after June 30, 2019 must complete 8.0 renewal credits during each five-year renewal cycle that meet the following requirements:

   (1) 3 renewal credits that align with the expectations of the North Carolina standards for their professional discipline area;

   (2) 2 renewal credits addressing the Digital Learning Competencies; and

   (3) 3 general credits, which does not include years of work experience, at the discretion of the employing LEA.

(e) Educators completing the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification process may earn all 8.0 renewal credits for completion of the process and certification. Educators who are in the national board renewal cycle may earn two credits.

(f) LEAs may assign literacy requirements for any educator.

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