Applicant Information Form

Certification License #: _____

Office of Certification
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East
Building 6, Suite 550
Charleston, WV 25305
(304) 558-7010
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Personal Information (REQUIRED)

_____ _____

Certification License Number
(Register or look-up your license number: https://wveis.k12.wv.us/certportal/)

Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

_____ _____ _____ _____

Last Name **First Name** **MI** **Previous Last Name (or Maiden)**

*If your name has changed since your last application, **proof of name change must be attached**, e.g. Copy of marriage certificate, etc.*

_____ _____ _____ _____

Street Address **City** **State** **Zip Code**

_____ _____ _____

Primary Phone **Secondary Phone** **Email (Required)**

Gender: _____

Options
Male
Female
No Answer

U.S. Citizen: _____

Yes
No

Military Status: _____

U.S. Veteran
Spouse of U.S. Veteran
Not Applicable

Indicate Race and Ethnicity:
☐ No Answer
☐ Hispanic ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native
☐ White ☐ Black/African American
☐ Asian ☐ Middle Eastern/North African (MENA)
☐ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

Are you employed by a West Virginia School System (Y/N): _____

If **yes**, please indicate the school county system: _____

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Disclosure of Background Information

If you answer yes to any question below, submit a narrative with your application. The narrative should include dates, locations, school systems, and any/all other information that explains the circumstance(s) in detail.

	Indicate Yes / No	If yes, check if you have previously submitted
1. Have you ever had adverse action taken against any application, certificate, or license in any state? Adverse action includes but is not limited to the following: letter of warning, reprimand, denial, suspension, revocation, voluntary surrender, or cancellation.	_____	☐
2. Have you ever been disciplined, reprimanded, suspended, or discharged from any employment because of allegations of misconduct?	_____	☐
3. Have you ever resigned, entered into a settlement agreement, or otherwise left employment as a result of alleged misconduct?	_____	☐
4. Is any action now pending against you for alleged misconduct in any school district, court, or before any educator licensing agency?	_____	☐
5. Have you ever been arrested, charged with, convicted of, or are currently under indictment for a felony?*	_____	☐
6. Have you ever been arrested, charged with, or convicted of a misdemeanor? (For the purpose of this application, minor traffic violations should not be ported.) Charges or convictions for driving while intoxicated (DWI) or driving under the influence of alcohol or other drugs (DUI) must be reported.*	_____	☐

*For a YES response to **items 5 and 6**, the following must be included for all charges, including those that have been dismissed:

1. Charging Document; and
2. Judgement Order; or
3. Final Disposition; and
4. All other relevant court documentation.

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Background Check

Pursuant to W. Va. Code §18A-3-2a and W. Va. C.S.R. §126-136-9, applicants for initial licensure (including first-time applicants) must complete a fingerprint-based background check through IdentoGo (Link to IdentoGo: https://www.identogo.com), which includes both West Virginia State Police and FBI records.

Select the option below that best describes your certification history in West Virginia:

☐ I have previously received Certification in WV.

☐ I have never held WV Certification and will complete a background through IdentoGo. All first-time applicants **must** have fingerprints processed by IdentoGo.

For fingerprinting instructions, visit our First Time Applicants page (Link to First Time Applicants page: https://wvde.us/certifications/first-time-applicants)

Please note: Background checks completed outside of the West Virginia Department of Education's required process cannot be accepted.

Scheduling your IdentoGo Appointment

Once your application is received by the Office of Certification, a fingerprint service code will be sent to your email along with instructions on how to schedule your appointment with IdentoGO and what identification or supporting documents to bring.

You must use this code when scheduling your appointment to ensure your West Virginia State Police and FBI background check results are properly submitted to the WVDE. If the correct service code is not used, your background check will not be valid for West Virginia Department of Education certification purposes, and you may be required to submit and pay for an additional background check.

Additionally, the Office of Certification must receive your completed background check **within 30 days** of your application submission, or your application may be denied.

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Applicant Signature (Required)

I swear or affirm under the penalty of false swearing that all information provided in or with this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements, misrepresentations, or omissions of fact in or with this application are grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation of the license(s) that I am seeking or currently hold.

The WVDE collects personal and non-personal information. Any information submitted or on record may be open to public inspection and/or publication as per our privacy policy located on our website.

_____ _____

Signature of Applicant **Date (MM/DD/YYYY)**

Superintendent Recommendation (Required if employed by a WV School System)

I certify that I have reviewed and can attest to the accuracy and truthfulness of the information provided in this application. When necessary, I have included documentation verifying this information.

I have reviewed the disclosure of background information, and, to the best of my knowledge, the applicant is of good moral character and is physically, mentally, and emotionally qualified to perform the assigned duties. I recommend that s/he be granted certification.

_____ _____ _____

Signature of Superintendent, Multi-County CTE Administrator, or WVSDT Superintendent/Designee Signature **County** **Date (MM/DD/YYYY)**

Form 36

Tuition Reimbursement

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Last Name **First Name** **MI**

Applicant

List courses being claimed for reimbursement below.

Course Number	Name of College/University	Number of Course Hours	Term

Tuition	Mandatory Fees	Total Requested

Options

This section must be completed by the county to verify eligibility for Option 1 or Option 2. All tuition reimbursements are limited to a 15-semester hour lifetime maximum regardless of chosen option.

Option 1: RENEWAL

The applicant is on a continuing contract and holds a valid Professional Certificate in a county verified shortage area.

_____ _____

_ **County** **Date**

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Option 2: SHORTAGE

The applicant has completed coursework in a shortage area, and the shortage area is verified by the county on this application.

_____ _____

County **Date**

_____

Shortage Area

Documentation Requirements

This application cannot be approved without the following required documentation:

1. All courses being claimed for reimbursement must be listed.
2. A receipt with the name of your college/university verifying payment made in your name in full for the appropriate term(s) for the coursework claimed for reimbursement must be included.
3. A college/university transcript or grade report with the name of your college/university, the term, your name, the course name and number, the URL if downloaded, and the final grade received for the course(s) must be included.
4. Your county must complete and sign the appropriate section.
5. A completed applicant information page signed by both you and your county must accompany this application.
6. You must sign and date this application.
7. Faxed/emailed applications are not accepted.
8. The state-approved reimbursement amount will be issued to the applicant by the employing county.

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Applicant Signature

I certify that I have read the criteria for tuition reimbursement, and I meet all eligibility criteria. I further certify that all information I have provided on the application is accurate and that I have completed the course(s) indicated on the attached grade report. I swear or affirm under the penalty of false swearing that all information provided in or with this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements, misrepresentations, or omissions of fact in or with this application are grounds for denial, suspension, or revocation of the license(s) that I am seeking or currently hold and grounds for denial of reimbursement. I agree to repay all monies gained through submission of erroneous information.

_____ _____

Applicant Signature **Date**

Superintendent Signature

As superintendent, I certify that the applicant is an educator as defined by W. Va. Code §18-1-1 and meets the criteria for tuition reimbursement as defined in WVBE Policy 5202, §126-136-23.1. I further certify that the course(s) listed on this application has been completed.

_____ _____

County Superintendent Signature **Date**