



A Better Way to Fulfill your PDP Requirements and Grow Professionally!

As a New Mexico teacher, you are probably beginning to create your Professional Development Plan (PDP) for the year.

NEA-New Mexico is here to help! With [NEA Micro-Credentials](#), you can use your PDP to pursue professional growth that is successful, convenient, and chosen by YOU!

[A micro-credential is a short, competency-based recognition](#)—grounded in research and best practice—that allows you to demonstrate mastery in a particular area, such as addressing challenging classroom behaviors.

NEA-New Mexico believes that making [NEA-Micro-Credentials](#) a major part of your PDP is a great option because can learn on your own or join a community of learners who share your interests and objectives.

There are [more than 80 NEA Micro-Credentials](#) from which to choose. These micro-credentials are:

- **Personalized**, allowing you to create your own journey based on your interests, goals, students, school, and district;
- **Flexible**, so you can study when it's convenient, either on your own or with peers; and
- **Performance-based**, awarded based on your demonstrated mastery of the subject matter. -

You might already have the skills in a certain domain and want to earn a micro-credential to signify your prowess. Or maybe you want to grow in an area. Going through the rigorous micro-credential process will help you develop skills and build understanding.

Start by browsing all the micro-credentials available—from bully-free schools to supporting English language learners.

Once you've made your choice, you have six months to complete the process, which will involve collecting the evidence that demonstrates your competence in the selected area.

Check with your NEA-New Mexico Local Association to find out about organizing a learning community, or take a look at the [Affiliate Toolkit](#) if you work for an affiliate. Have more questions? See the [FAQ](#) or drop us a line at NEA-MicroCredentials@certificationbank.com.

Now that you know about [NEA Micro-Credentials](#), let the journey of exploration, growth, and learning begin!

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