## Earning Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Credit for WIDA Professional Learning

As part of the WIDA Consortium, all public-school educators in Alaska have access to online English learner-related professional learning developed by WIDA. Each year, WIDA makes available approximately 12 online, self-paced professional learning workshops. In most years, additional opportunities (some self-paced, some facilitated) are made available. Completing these courses can be applied toward earning CEUs for teacher recertification. Each course has an "Approximate Time to Complete." Upon successful completion of a workshop, educators receive a certificate of completion that lists the number hours spent on that workshop. Every 15 hours of workshop time can be submitted to DEED for one CEU credit.

A given workshop may only be completed for credit towards CEUs **once**. Professional learning from other platforms cannot be combined with WIDA workshops to reach the minimum 15 hours required to earn one CEU. All workshops must be completed within the relevant re-certification period to qualify for CEU credit.

In order for educators to receive CEU credit for WIDA workshops, the following must occur:

- Educators must complete all activities, quizzes, responses, prompts, etc. within a workshop.
- Upon completion of a workshop, download and save the certificate of completion.
- Once enough workshops have been completed to accrue at least 15 hours, complete the verification form below and email that form, along with the certificates of completion, to DEED's English Learner/Title III-A Program Manager (contact information is available on <u>DEED's EL/Title</u> <u>III-A webpage</u>).
  - Educators are welcome to submit certificates of completion that contain enough hours for multiple CEUs, if desired.
    - Example: if an educator completes enough workshops to total 30 hours, they can submit all of those certificates to request two CEUs.
  - A verification form is required for each request, not each CEU.
    - Example: If an educator makes a single request that contains 30 contact hours for two CEUs, only one verification form is needed. However, if an educator makes two separate requests for 15 hrs./one CEU each, then a verification form is required for each request.
- DEED will review the request and, if appropriate, issue a CEU certificate based on the number of completed modules, which the educator can apply toward re-certification.



## WIDA Workshop Verification Form

To be completed by the educator seeking CEU credit.

I

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, attest that I have engaged meaningfully with the following WIDA professional learning workshops:

for a total of	hours.

I am requesting that DEED award CEU credit for the completion of said modules.

Educator Name:			

School District:	

Educator Signature:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Upon receipt of this form and certificates of completion, DEED will review/verify the materials and issue a CEU certificate as appropriate. The CEU certificate will be emailed to the educator requested credit. The CEU certificate will need to be included with the educator's re-certification materials. A \$50 fee will need to be paid to Teacher Certification for each CEU applied toward re-certification.

