

# Educator Preparation

## **Licensure:**

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# Licensure by the Numbers (2023-2024)

- Approximately 106,000 employed educators in the Commonwealth serving 1.3 million students.
- 159,396 actively licensed educators & 411,032 licensed educators in an inactive status.
- The VDOE licensure team renewed a total of 5,465 licenses. They also approved 14,378 initial licenses for a total of 19,843 combined licenses issued in 2023-2024.
- There are 339 different areas that a person can obtain an educator license within the Virginia Department of Education.
- Currently, there are 1,077,607 active license types spread across all eligible teachers in the Commonwealth.

# Licensure by the Numbers

- July 2024 Overall Division Vacancy Rate = 4.7%.
- Start of School Year Vacancy Rate dropped to 3.4%.
- 30 divisions reported 0-1 vacancy.
- 64 divisions reported a vacancy rate under 2%.

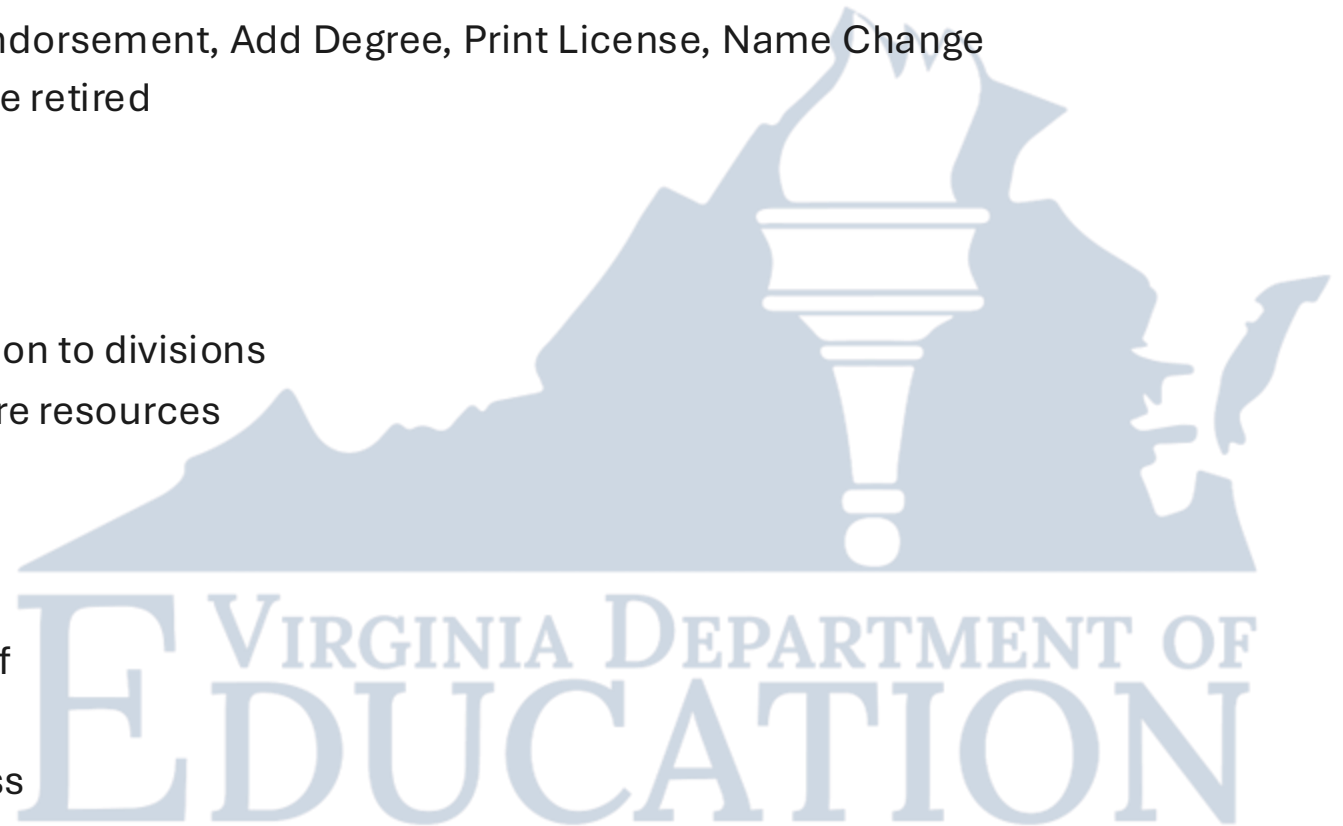


# Licensure Process Updates

- Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment (VCLA) requirement eliminated. (HB731)
- Addition of the Provisional Career Switcher License in Special Education. (HB 269)
- Universal licensure by reciprocity for teachers holding a valid out-of-state license with full credentials and at least three years of teaching experience. (HB632/SB352)
- Introduction of the One-Year Local Eligibility License to be issued by divisions. (SB142)

# Licensure Improvements

- **Virginia Online Licensing (VALO)**
  - Phase two roll out Fall 2024
    - Will include: Renewals, Add Endorsement, Add Degree, Print License, Name Change
  - eGov online application system to be retired
- **Communications**
  - Licensure Tutorial Video Series
  - Licensure Update Emails
  - Direct emailing of licensure evaluation to divisions
  - Audience specific one page licensure resources
- **Licensure Team**
  - Fully Staffed
    - 12 Licensure Specialists
    - 10 Administrative Support Staff
  - Division Assignment Restructure
    - Case wait time = 30 days or less



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