

Effective July 1, 2009, an official South Carolina educator certificate will be provided only when an educator qualifies for his or her very first South Carolina certificate. Educators can monitor all subsequent certificate changes, additions or modifications to their teaching credential by checking the Certification Status Page from the Office of Educator Certification secure Web site at www.scteachers.org. The Web page will include a message advising educators of changes that have recently been made to their certificate. This message will appear for 30 days after a certificate change has been made.

Educators can also print an unofficial copy of their certificate as needed. The Web site's secure environment will serve as the official record of an educator's South Carolina teaching credential. District human resources personnel and others who are presented with a copy of an educator's South Carolina credential can check the current status of the credential by accessing the Educator Certification Web site and verifying the current areas of certification and validity dates. This feature is now in place and available to anyone who needs to verify a South Carolina teaching credential.

After July 1, 2009, educators wishing to have an official copy of a current certificate issued from our office can do so by submitting a change/action form with a \$10.00 fee. An official certificate will then be mailed to the educator's address on file.