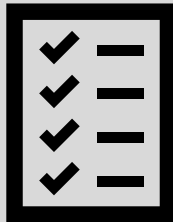


# Requirements for Advanced Occupational Specialist (AOS) Certificate

## Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate (Secondary and Postsecondary)

If an educator holds a Standard or Limited Occupational Specialist (SOS/LOS) certificate, they may decide to complete additional professional development activities to earn a CTE Advanced Occupational Specialist (AOS) certificate. ***Some*** school districts/schools ***may*** have pay increases for those holding an AOS certificate. This varies in each school district/college/university. *Contact your school administrators for more information about the pay scale.*

**If an educator decides to qualify for the Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate, they must complete one of the following requirements:**



- Complete a teacher training degree program, or
- Complete an additional 18 semester credit hours of approved teacher preparation course work (beyond the 12 credits earned to move from a Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate to a Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate).

Once the requirements above have been completed, fill out and submit a revision application (links below).

- Attach proof of completion of either the teacher training program or 18 credits to the revision application.
- Make a note in the application that says you are applying to earn your AOS certificate.

[Secondary Occupational Specialist application packet](#)

[Postsecondary Occupational Specialist application packet](#)