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New York Association for the
Education of Young Children

New York State Training and Technical Assistance Professional Credential *Professional Development Specialist*

Deferral Policy

Portfolios submitted for the New York State Training and Technical Assistance Professional Credential for the designation of Professional Development Specialist that score 75% or below will be deferred. The candidate's portfolios will be returned with a deferral letter. The deferral letter will address all scoring areas the candidate scored a zero, one or two point(s).

1.1 Portfolio Resubmission

Candidates can resubmit their intent to reapply once criteria addressed in the deferral letter is met (i.e. Before reapplying your Aspire account must show proof of professional development taken in the deficient competencies. Examples are, Core Body of Knowledge Series, Anti-Bias, or Adult Theory, etc.). Candidates can submit a new written entry or make adjustments to their existing written entry based on the feedback given to them in the deferral letter. The review process will remain the same with the written entry and interview, however two different reviewers will be used unless otherwise requested. Candidate must score 75% or above to be awarded the credential. A score below 75% will result in another deferral of the credential and the process will start over.

Deferral's act as a second chance, the fees are as follows:

\$100.00 for the new application

\$325.00 for the Portfolio/Video Interview (Member)

\$350.00 for the Portfolio/Video Interview (Non-member)

1.2 Response and Outcomes

A. Credential Awarded

Candidates who are awarded the credential will be notified of the award via email. A formal letter and certificate will be mailed to the NYS T-TAP Credential Professional Development Specialist. Professional Development Specialist status will remain active for a period of three years from the award date.

B. 2nd Deferral

Candidates who are deferred more than once will be notified via email and be provided with specific steps that must be taken before they can reapply again.