# Requirements for Preliminary School Nurse Teacher Certification

## In All Grades School Nurse Teacher (11508)

The All Grades School Nurse Teacher Preliminary Certificate is awarded to individuals who are not eligible for Full Rhode Island Certification in the area of School Nurse Teacher PK-12, but who have met specified criteria that qualify them to serve as educators while completing all full certification requirements.

**Note:** Applicants prepared in a program where the language of instruction was not English must achieve a passing score of 64 on the Versant Pro Speaking and Writing English assessments.

## Certificate & Assignment

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| Valid for assignment as an All Grades School Nurse Teacher and as an All Grades Health teacher in grades PK - 12 in Rhode Island public schools. | **PATHWAYS:**  
▪ Credential Review: CRCI and Reciprocity  
**CRITERIA FOR FIRST ISSUANCE:**  
▪ Associate’s or Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution  
▪ Completion of an approved program designed for the preparation of professional nurses  
▪ Licensed as a professional nurse by the RI Department of Health  
▪ 3 years of Documented Experience as a Professional Nurse*  
**CRITERIA FOR RENEWAL:** (may be renewed annually, up to six(6) times)  
▪ First Renewal  
  ▪ Evidence of enrollment in an approved program or Credential Review Consortium Institution (CRCI) plan  
  ▪ Evidence of three (3) credits of coursework towards CRCI Plan Of Study OR State-approved Program for the preparation of School Nurse Teachers  
  ▪ Recommendation from the employing agency for renewal based on educator job performance.  
▪ Subsequent Renewals  
  ▪ Evidence of six (6) credits of coursework towards CRCI Plan Of Study OR State-approved Program for the preparation of School Nurse Teachers  
  ▪ Recommendation from the employing agency for renewal based on educator job performance  
*3 years of professional nurse experience may be satisfied through professional nursing experience, school nurse teacher experience, or a combination of both. | Review the required tests Document and Go to [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org) for test registration, date, and locations |