

ECMMA Level 2 Certification*

*Requires previous Level 1 completion

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REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION:

The fee for new Level 2 Certification is \$40.00 US currency. NOTE: You must have attained Level 1 ECMMA certification and provide documentation of this certification (send a scanned copy of your Level 1 certificate).

- Current membership in ECMMA and prior completion of Level 1 Standard or Level 1 Collegiate Path.
- 4 additional Continuing Education Units (CEUs) related to Early Childhood Music and Movement for children ages 0-7, with the following provisions:
 - 1 CEU must include either a national convention of a music-related organization directly related to the study of early childhood music and movement or an advanced level training workshop that furthers early childhood music and movement training (an in-depth training in a specific area, i.e. methodology, pedagogy).
 - 3 additional CEUs are required in training related to early childhood music and movement.
- Minimum 4 years teaching experience (within the last ten years) in early childhood music/movement, ages 0-7 (in the form of a letter from administrator, parent of student, studio affiliate, etc.). The letter must be signed in writing by this person.

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Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

One CEU equals 10 contact or class hours. Examples include:

- Ten hours guided observation of three classes of young children (0-7 years) equals one CEU. Teachers of these classes shall have a minimum of five years teaching experience. Applicant must submit a 500 word written evaluation of the classes observed. The paper should include the teaching setting, name of teacher, dates and a brief summary of each session.
- Applicant should express how ideas, concepts, or research from the session might be incorporated into his/her teaching or practice, along with any meaningful critiques of the session.
- The teacher/professor that you have observed must sign and date the written paper before submission.
- Attendance at additional workshops, trainings, conferences or seminars related to early childhood music and movement. One CEU equals 10 hours of attendance at an event. For instance, a workshop of 13 hours is equal to 1.3 CEUs and the extra hours can be used for future certifications or renewals.
- Semester credits granted by colleges or universities in Early Childhood Music and Movement Courses carry one-for-one value: 1 credit = 1 CEU. Please submit transcript and information on course title and description.

Note: CEUs used on one level's application **may not** be resubmitted on subsequent levels or renewal applications.

DURATION & RENEWAL of Level 2 Certification:

The Level 2 certificate is valid for five years. Progression to the next level OR renewal of the current level is necessary at that time. If a member chooses not to renew, and after six months wishes to be re-certified, he/she must satisfy all requirements for Level 2 again.

RENEWALS for LEVEL 2 Certification: A reminder notice will be sent 6-12 months in advance of the renewal date. Keep track of needed documentation, i.e. workshop certificates, course transcripts, conference sessions attended,

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etc. If an extension is needed, contact the chairperson of the level for which you are applying. There is a possibility that you will need to complete additional hours for renewal at the discretion of the committee.

RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS for Level 2:

The fee for RENEWAL is \$20.00 US currency.

- Membership in ECMMA for at least three of the past five years (membership must be current).
- Documentation of actively teaching early childhood music/movement classes for children ages 0-7 at least two consecutive years of the past five years (in the form of a letter from administrator, parent of student, studio affiliate, etc.). The letter must be signed in writing by this person.
- Three Continuing Education Units (CEUs), including at least one regional conference, national convention or equivalent event related to early childhood music and movement.
- Renewal applicants may view the 2010 virtual convention or any subsequent ECMMA Virtual Conventions to meet the ten-hour requirement. When viewing a Virtual Convention, at least 1 keynote/general Session and a variety of breakout sessions should be selected for viewing. The applicant should then write a 300 word paper on the keynote/general session viewed, and a 150 word paper on each breakout session viewed. The papers should include the session title, speaker, date and a brief summary of each session. The applicant should express how ideas, concepts, or research from the session might be incorporated into his/her teaching or practice, along with any meaningful critiques of the session.

QUESTIONS ABOUT NEW LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATION? HAS YOUR CERTIFICATION LAPSED?

For information about renewing after the deadline has passed, contact the Level 2 chairperson:
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