



**Specialized Education Personnel - Grades K-12**  
**Mental Health Professional**  
**[NAC 391.312](#)**

1. Complete the general requirements for all educator licenses: [General License Requirements](#)
2. Hold a license as a mental health professional issued by an agency/board of the State of Nevada which regulates mental health professionals, or hold an equivalent license issued by a similar agency/board in another state (required to obtain a license issued by an agency/board of the State of Nevada within one (1) year of endorsement issuance); and
3. Complete an educational program for mental health professionals in schools which also includes a practicum in a school setting, or the equivalent professional experience providing services directly to school age children and their families; and
4. Meet the following requirements:
  - A. Completion of a program to serve as a mental health professional in a school that is approved by the Board; or
  - B. Hold the credential issued by a national organization for mental health professionals certifying that the holder is a specialist in mental health in schools; or
  - C. Hold a master's or more advanced degree from an accredited college/university in a field related to mental health in schools
5. A licensee holding only a special license with an endorsement as a mental health professional in a school is exempt from the Praxis Core Academic Skills testing ([NAC 391.036](#)) and the submission of continued professional development for license renewal ([NAC 391.065](#) and [R110-18](#)). The submission of a valid occupational license is required for license renewal.
6. An endorsement to serve as a mental health professional will become invalid upon the expiration of the occupational license described in section 2 unless the holder submits a copy of the renewed occupational license to our office (via a request to remove the occupational license provision).
7. As used in this section "mental health professional" means: a psychologist licensed pursuant to chapter 641 of NRS; a marriage and family therapist licensed pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS; a clinical professional counselor licensed pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS; or a practical nurse licensed pursuant to chapter 632 of NRS
8. An endorsement to serve as a mental health professional held by a person who is not licensed in the State of Nevada, will expire one (1) year after the date of issuance if the holder has not obtained such licensure by that date.