



2026 Certification Calendar of Events

Step 1-Webinars	Step 2- Oral Proficiency Interviews (OPI)	Step 3- Written Exam	Step 4- 2-Day In-Person Orientation	Step 5- Oral Exam
<p>Prerequisite: None Cost: Free</p> <p>To begin the certification process, you must view 3 webinars produced by the Office of the Executive Secretary at Supreme Court of Virginia.</p> <p>Submit this request, and you will receive an email with links to the webinars and a link to a viewing assertion form.</p> <p>Once you have viewed the webinars, please submit the viewing assertion form.</p> <p>The viewing assertion form will provide detailed instructions on completing step 2.</p>	<p>Prerequisite: Webinars Cost: \$65 per interview</p> <p>Interpreter candidates must provide OPI scores for both English and their non-English language(s).</p> <p>The webinar viewing assertion form provides detailed instructions on how to complete this step in the process.</p>	<p>Prerequisite: OPI Cost: \$125</p> <p>Exam Registration Dates: June 1, 2026</p> <p>Exam Dates and Locations:</p> <p>Warrenton, VA: Capacity: 30 July 7, 2026</p> <p>Hanover, VA: Capacity: 25 July 8, 2026</p> <p>Chesapeake, VA: Capacity: 10 July 10, 2026</p>	<p>Prerequisite: Written Exam Cost: \$225</p> <p>Orientation Registration Dates:</p> <p>Spring: March 2, 2026 Fall: September 7, 2026</p> <p>Orientation Dates and Locations:</p> <p>Warrenton, VA: Capacity: 30 Spring: April 13-14, 2026 Fall: October 15-16, 2026</p>	<p>Prerequisite: Orientation Cost: \$225-\$600 language dependent</p> <p>Oral Exam Registration Dates:</p> <p>Spring: March 2, 2026 Fall: September 7, 2026</p> <p>Oral Exam Dates and Locations:</p> <p>Warrenton, VA: Capacity: 14 Spring: April 13-14, 2026 Fall: October 15-16, 2026</p> <p>Hanover, VA: Capacity: 14 Spring: April 15-16, 2026 Fall: October 13-14, 2026</p>

*Dates and locations are subject to change.

**Seating is limited for steps 3-5: registration is on a first come first serve basis, giving preference to in-state residents.

***Candidates who began the certification process prior to 2025 may register for the step they are currently eligible to complete.