

279.19B Coaching endorsement and authorization.

1. *a.* The board of directors of a school district may employ for head coach of any interscholastic athletic activities or for assistant coach of any interscholastic athletic activity, an individual who possesses a coaching authorization issued by the board of educational examiners or possesses a teaching license with a coaching endorsement issued pursuant to [chapter 272](#). However, a board of directors of a school district shall consider applicants with qualifications described below, in the following order of priority:

(1) A qualified individual who possesses a valid teaching license with a proper coaching endorsement.

(2) A qualified individual who possesses a coaching authorization issued by the board of educational examiners.

b. Qualifications are to be determined by the board of directors or their designee on a case-by-case basis.

2. An individual who has been issued a coaching authorization or who possesses a teaching license with a coaching endorsement but is not issued a teaching contract under [section 279.13](#) and who is employed by the board of directors of a school district serves at the pleasure of the board of directors and is not subject to [sections 279.13 through 279.19](#), and [279.27](#). [Section 279.19A, subsection 1](#), applies to coaching authorizations.

3. The licensure and coaching authorization requirements of [this section](#) shall not apply to community colleges. An individual employed as a coach of a community college interscholastic athletic activity who is not issued a teaching contract under [section 279.13](#) serves at the pleasure of the board of directors of the community college and is not subject to [sections 279.13 through 279.19](#), and [279.27](#).

84 Acts, ch 1296, §2; 85 Acts, ch 49, §1; 88 Acts, ch 1284, §46; 89 Acts, ch 265, §35, 42; 93 Acts, ch 66, §1, 2; 2003 Acts, ch 19, §2

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