

CHAPTER 52
APPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
FOR THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF ELIGIBLE VETERANS
UNDER THE MONTGOMERY G.I. BILL
[Prior to 9/7/88, see Public Instruction Department[670] Ch 25]

281—52.1(256) Colleges. All colleges, universities and community colleges accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools may have their programs considered for approval.

281—52.2(256) High schools. All high schools approved by the department of education may be approved without further inspection.

281—52.3 Rescinded IAB 9/7/88, effective 10/12/88.

281—52.4(256) Schools of Bible or theology. Schools of Bible or theology must be accredited by a recognized accrediting agency in the theological field. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.5(256) Schools of nursing. Schools of nursing must be approved by the board of nursing. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.6(256) Hospitals. (Residencies, medical technologists, X-ray technicians and similar programs.) Hospital training programs must be accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.7(256) Schools of cosmetology. Schools of cosmetology must be in compliance with the Iowa board of cosmetology arts and sciences examiners, department of public health. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.8(256) Schools of barbering. Schools of barbering must be in compliance with the Iowa board of barber examiners, department of public health. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.9(256) Flight schools. Rescinded IAB 4/2/03, effective 5/7/03.

281—52.10(256) Schools of business. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.11(256) Trade schools. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.12(256) Correspondence schools. Correspondence schools must be accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency. Programs will be considered for approval subject to inspection following receipt of written application.

281—52.13(256) Successful operation on a continuous basis. All of the above institutions, except public or other tax-supported schools, must operate successfully on a continuous basis in Iowa for at least two years prior to approval.

The two-year requirement may be waived by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs when the institution submits positive evidence that the school is essential to meet the educational requirements of veterans in the state of Iowa.

281—52.14(256) Nonaccredited schools. Nonaccredited schools may have their programs considered for approval by filling out a written application, and an on-site inspection visit will be necessary to verify accuracy of submitted applications.

The written application referred to in this rule shall include the following information:

1. Name, address and telephone number of the school.
2. Names and qualifications of owners and managers of the school.
3. Statement concerning the date the school was established, and the period of time the school has been under the present management.
4. Statement as to the financial solvency of the school, and assurance that the school will continue operations for a considerable period of time.
5. Statement concerning the school's accreditation by any recognized accrediting agencies, if any.
6. Statement concerning present enrollment and maximum number of students proposed to be trained in the courses at one time.
7. Description of the physical plant of the school, giving the number and size of classrooms; type of heating, lighting and ventilation, blackboard space; number of toilets and lavatories; number and kinds of desks, tables, chairs and other school furniture; total floor space; and a listing of all available laboratory and classroom equipment.
8. Names and educational and experience qualifications of all instructors.
9. Statement of the educational prerequisite for each course.
10. Statement as to the exact title of the course and a specific description of the objective for which given.
11. Statement as to the length of the course(s) in weeks; number of hours school is in session per week.
12. A detailed curriculum showing subjects taught, type of work or skills to be learned, and approximate length of time to be spent on each.
13. Samples of permanent records kept by schools. Samples should include transcripts, progress, grading, conduct and other records kept by the school.
14. Statement as to tuition costs, and costs for required books, supplies and equipment.
15. Statement that school buildings meet local and state regulations concerning fire, safety, and health.

281—52.15(256) Evaluation standards. The following standards are used in evaluating a school eligible under this chapter:

52.15(1) The curriculum and instruction must be consistent in quality, content and length with similar courses in the public schools or other private schools with recognized and accepted standards.

52.15(2) Each school must have a system for keeping attendance, progress and placement records that is acceptable to this department. Records must be kept up-to-date, and reports must be prepared and submitted as requested. Furthermore, school records must be made available for inspection on request of department representatives.

52.15(3) The school must have clearly stated and enforced standards of attendance, progress and conduct. Such standards must be acceptable to this department.

52.15(4) The school must give appropriate credit for previous training or experience, with the training period shortened proportionately. No course of training will be considered bona fide if a veteran is already qualified by training and experience for that course objective.

52.15(5) The school must provide the student with a copy of the approved curriculum.

52.15(6) Upon completion of the training, the school must give the veteran a certificate indicating the approved course, title, and length and that the training was completed satisfactorily.

52.15(7) The school must have a clear statement as to entrance qualifications and must abide by them.

52.15(8) The school must have sufficient toilet facilities to adequately serve the enrollment.

52.15(9) Each school must provide adequate classroom and laboratory space consistent with the needs of the curriculum.

52.15(10) Heat, light and ventilation shall be adequate for the type of instruction and enrollment in the school.

52.15(11) School buildings must meet local and state regulations concerning fire, safety and health.

52.15(12) Schools must be ethical in their advertising and solicitation. Both are subject to review and approval by this department.

52.15(13) Instructors must be competent in the fields they are teaching and be able to document their background and training. Instructors shall hold appropriate certificates, licenses or degrees.

52.15(14) While schools may not guarantee employment upon graduation, a school should exert every effort to assist its graduates in obtaining employment.

52.15(15) Tuition and other charges made by the school should be clearly set out in publications of the school.

52.15(16) Schools should make use of modern teaching aids and procedures.

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