

CHAPTER 15
SPECIAL EDUCATION SUPPORT PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS

282—15.1(272) Authorizations requiring a license.

15.1(1) The following licenses are based on teaching endorsements.

- a. Special education consultant.
- b. Supervisor of special education—instructional.
- c. Work experience coordinator.

15.1(2) The orientation and mobility specialist license is based on school-centered preparation, but the sequence of coursework does not permit service as a teacher.

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282—15.2(272) Special education consultant.

15.2(1) Authorization. The holder of this endorsement is authorized to serve as a special education consultant. The consultant provides ongoing assistance to instructional programs for pupils requiring special education. A consultant can serve programs with pupils from birth to age 21 (and to a maximum allowable age in accordance with Iowa Code section 256B.8) with the exception of consultants serving deaf or hard-of-hearing or visually disabled students. Applicants who desire to serve as consultants serving deaf or hard-of-hearing or visually disabled students must hold the respective special education instructional endorsement. The deaf or hard-of-hearing consultant endorsement or the visually disabled consultant endorsement allows the individual to serve students from birth to age 21.

15.2(2) Program requirements.

- a. An applicant must hold a master's degree.
 - (1) Option 1: Master's in special education.
 - (2) Option 2: Master's in another area of education plus an endorsement in at least one special education instructional area under rule 282—14.2(272).
- b. Content. The coursework is to be at least 8 graduate semester hours to include the following:
 - (1) Curriculum development design.
 - (2) Consultation process in special or regular education:
 1. Examination, analysis, and application of a methodological model for consulting with teachers and other adults involved in the educational program.
 2. Interpersonal relations, interaction patterns, interpersonal influence, and communication skills.
 3. Skills required for conducting a needs assessment, delivering staff in-service needs, and evaluating in-service sessions.

15.2(3) Other. An applicant must have four years of successful teaching experience, two of which must be in special education.

282—15.3(272) Itinerant hospital services or home services teacher. Rescinded ARC 3633C, IAB 2/14/18, effective 3/21/18.

282—15.4(272) Special education media specialist. Rescinded ARC 3633C, IAB 2/14/18, effective 3/21/18.

282—15.5(272) Supervisor of special education—instructional.

15.5(1) Authorization. The holder of this endorsement is authorized to serve as a supervisor of special education instructional programs. Two endorsements are available within this category:

- a. The early childhood—special education supervisor endorsement allows the individual to provide services to programs with pupils below the age of 7.
- b. The supervisor of special education—instructional endorsement (K-12) allows the individual to provide services to programs with pupils from age 5 to age 21 (and to a maximum allowable age in accordance with Iowa Code section 256B.8).

15.5(2) Program requirements.

- a. An applicant must hold a master's degree.

- (1) Option 1: Master's in special education.
- (2) Option 2: Master's in another area of education plus 30 graduate semester hours in special education (instructional). These hours may have been part of, or in addition to, the degree requirements.
 - b. An applicant must meet the requirements for or hold the consultant endorsement.
 - c. Content. The program shall include a minimum of 16 graduate semester hours to specifically include the following:
 - (1) Coursework requirements specified for special education consultant. Refer to rule 282—15.2(272).
 - (2) Current issues in special education administration including school law/special education law.
 - (3) School personnel administration.
 - (4) Program evaluation.
 - (5) Educational leadership.
 - (6) Administration and supervision of special education.
 - (7) Practicum: special education administration. NOTE: This requirement may be waived based on two years of experience as a special education administrator.
 - (8) Evaluator approval component.

15.5(3) Other:

- a. An applicant must have two years of consultant/supervisor/coordinator/head teacher or equivalent experience in special education.
- b. The supervisor for early childhood—special education would need to meet the requirements for that endorsement. The K-12 supervisor would need to meet the requirements for one special education teaching endorsement to include instructional grade levels K-8 and 5-12.
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282—15.6(272) Work experience coordinator.

15.6(1) Authorization. The holder of this endorsement is authorized to provide support service as a work experience coordinator to secondary school programs, grades 5-12 (and to a maximum allowable age in accordance with Iowa Code section 256B.8).

15.6(2) Program requirements.

- a. An applicant must hold a baccalaureate degree.
- b. Content. The coursework must include:
 - (1) A course in career-vocational programming for special education students (if not included in the program for 5-12 endorsement).
 - (2) A course in coordination of cooperative occupational education programs.
 - (3) A course in career-vocational assessment and guidance for those with disabilities.

15.6(3) Other: An applicant must hold a special education endorsement—grades 5-12.
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282—15.7(272) Other special education practitioner endorsements. Rescinded ARC 5322C, IAB 12/16/20, effective 1/20/21.

282—15.8(272) Supervisor of special education—support. Rescinded IAB 7/29/09, effective 9/2/09. These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 272.

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