282—14.1(272) Special education teaching endorsements.

14.1(1) Program requirements.

- a. The applicant must meet the requirement in rules 282—13.1(272) and 282—13.5(272).
- b. The applicant must complete pre-student teaching field-based experiences in special education.

c. Student teaching. Each applicant for an Iowa license with a special education instructional endorsement must file evidence of completing an approved student teaching program in special education. This experience must be full-time in an approved special education classroom. An approved special education classroom is one which is recognized by the state in terms of the respective state rules for special education. This special education student teaching experience shall qualify for each special education instructional endorsement sought on an original application for Iowa licensure if at the same grade level.

d. The applicant must meet the requirements to add an endorsement in rule 282—13.29(272).

14.1(2) Adding special education instructional endorsements to Iowa licenses.

a. After the issuance of a practitioner license, an individual may add other special education instructional endorsements to that license upon proper application provided current requirements for the specific endorsement(s) have been met.

b. If an applicant is seeking to add a special education instructional endorsement at the same level, elementary or secondary, as other endorsements held, the student teaching component set out in the rules for added endorsement areas is not required.

c. If the applicant holds the K-8 special education endorsement for the 5-12 endorsement area being added, the applicant may satisfy the requirement for a student teaching experience by completing all the required coursework and presenting verification of competence. This verification of competence shall be signed by a licensed evaluator who has observed and formally evaluated the performance of the applicant at the secondary level.

d. An updated license with expiration date unchanged from the original or renewed license will be prepared. Licensure procedures and requirements are set out in 282—Chapter 13.