

282—22.4(256) Native language teacher authorization.**22.4(1)** *Requirements for an initial native language teacher authorization.*

- a. The applicant will have completed a baccalaureate degree or higher.
- b. The applicant will provide a recommendation from a school administrator verifying that the school wishes to hire the applicant. Before the applicant is hired, the school administrator will verify that a diligent search was completed to hire a fully licensed teacher for the position.
- c. The applicant will provide verification of successfully passing an approved language assessment by meeting the minimum score set by the department of education.
- d. During the term of the initial authorization, the applicant will complete board-approved training in the following:
 - (1) Methods of teaching a world language.
 - (2) Coursework in human relations.
 - (3) Coursework in the instruction of exceptional learners to include the education of individuals with disabilities and the gifted and talented.
 - (4) Ethics training.
- e. The applicant will be assigned a mentor by the hiring school district.

22.4(2) *Validity—initial authorization.* The initial authorization is valid for three years.

22.4(3) *Requirements for the native language teacher authorization.* The initial native language teaching authorization may be converted to the native language teaching authorization if the applicant completes the required coursework set forth in paragraph 22.4(1)“d.” This authorization is valid for five years.

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