

282—22.6 (272) School administration manager authorization.

22.6(1) Application for authorization. Effective July 1, 2014, a person who is interested in a school administration manager authorization will be required to apply for an authorization. The following persons must obtain an authorization:

- a. A Model 1 SAM, a person who is hired to be a full-time SAM and who is authorized to assume the responsibilities of a SAM;
- b. A Model 2 SAM, a person whose position in the school is reconfigured to include the responsibilities of being a SAM and is authorized as a SAM; and
- c. A Model 3 SAM, a person who is a secretary/administrative assistant and is also authorized as a SAM.

22.6(2) Responsibilities. A school administration manager authorization allows an individual to assist a school administrator in performing noninstructional, administrative-type duties.

22.6(3) Application process. Any person interested in the school administration manager authorization shall submit to the board of educational examiners an application which includes a written verification of employment from a school district administrator. Application materials are available from the office of the board of educational examiners, online at <http://www.boee.iowa.gov/>.

A person serving as a school administration manager prior to July 1, 2014, is eligible for the standard school administration manager authorization, subject to the Iowa division of criminal investigation and national criminal history background checks. The person will be assessed the background check fee. The school administration manager must have completed the school administration manager training and be listed on the Basic Educational Data Survey as a school administration manager by October 31, 2013. The application fee for such persons will be waived if the application is received prior to June 30, 2014.

22.6(4) Specific requirements for an initial school administration manager authorization. Applicants for an initial school administration manager authorization shall have completed the following requirements:

- a. *Education.* Applicants must hold a high school degree or general equivalency diploma.
- b. *Minimum age.* Applicants must have attained a minimum age of 18 years.
- c. *Iowa division of criminal investigation background check.* Applicants must have successfully completed an Iowa division of criminal investigation background check. The background check fee will be assessed to the applicant.
- d. *National criminal history background check.* Applicants must have successfully completed a national criminal history background check. The background check fee will be assessed to the applicant.

22.6(5) Specific requirements for a standard school administration manager authorization. The initial school administration manager authorization shall be converted to the standard school administration manager authorization provided the following requirements are met.

a. *Training.* A school administration manager shall attend an approved training program at the onset of the individual's hire as a school administration manager. The training for school administration managers is set forth in 281—subrule 82.7(2).

b. *Experience.* An applicant shall complete one year of experience as a school administration manager in an Iowa school. The supervising administrator shall verify this experience and the applicant's completion of the required competencies.

c. *Competencies.* Applicants shall demonstrate completion of or competency in the following:

(1) Each school administration manager shall demonstrate competence in technology appropriate to the school administration manager position. The school administration manager will:

1. Become proficient in the use of the approved time-tracking software tool;
2. Schedule the administrator's time using the approved software, update and reconcile the calendar daily, and attempt to pre-calendar the administrator at or above the administrator's goal; and
3. Regularly schedule, review, and reflect with the administrator on the graphs and data provided through the software.

(2) Each school administration manager shall demonstrate appropriate personal skills. The school administration manager:

1. Is an effective communicator with all stakeholders, including but not limited to colleagues, community members, parents, and students;
2. Works effectively with employees, students, and stakeholders;
3. Maintains confidentiality when dealing with student, parent, and staff issues;
4. Clearly understands the administrator's philosophy of behavior expectations and consequences; and
5. Maintains an environment of mutual respect, rapport, and fairness.

22.6(6) *Validity.*

- a. The initial school administration manager authorization shall be valid for three years.
- b. The standard school administration manager authorization shall be valid for five years.

22.6(7) *Renewal.*

a. The initial school administration manager authorization may be renewed once if the applicant has not previously had employment as a school administration manager but can at the time of application provide evidence of employment as a school administration manager.

b. The standard school administration manager authorization may be renewed upon application and verification of successful completion of the following:

(1) **Renewal activities.** The applicant for renewal must complete three semester hours of credit through authorized SAM training or online training courses approved by the board of educational examiners in collaboration with the department of education.

(2) **Child and dependent adult abuse mandatory reporter training.** Every renewal applicant must submit documentation of completion of the child and dependent adult abuse mandatory reporter training approved by the state abuse education review panel. A waiver of this requirement may apply under any of the following appropriately documented conditions:

1. The person is engaged in active duty in the military service of this state or of the United States.
2. The person has previously renewed a license or another authorization issued by the board of educational examiners and, at that time, reported the completion, within the past five years, of child and dependent adult abuse mandatory reporter training approved by the state abuse education review panel.

22.6(8) *Extension.* A one-year extension of the school administration manager authorization may be issued if the applicant does not meet the renewal requirements. The applicant must secure the signature of the superintendent or designee before the extension will be issued.

22.6(9) *Revocation and suspension.* Criteria of professional practice and rules of the board of educational examiners shall be applicable to the holders of the school administration manager authorization.

22.6(10) *Approval of courses.* Each institution of higher education, private college or university, community college, area education agency and professional organization that wishes to offer the semester credit hours for the school administration manager authorization must submit course descriptions for each offering to the board of educational examiners for approval. After initial approval, any changes by agencies or institutions in course offerings shall be filed with the board of educational examiners.