

282—14.115(272) Requirements for a Class A license. A nonrenewable Class A license valid for one year may be issued to an individual who has completed a teacher education program under any one of the following conditions:

1. Professional core requirements. The individual has not completed all of the required courses in the professional core, 14.123(4)“a” to “j.”

2. Human relations component. The individual has not completed an approved human relations component.

3. Recency. The individual meets requirement(s) for a valid license, but has had fewer than 160 days of teaching experience during the five-year period immediately preceding the date of application or has not completed six semester hours of college credit from a recognized institution within the five-year period. To obtain the desired license, the applicant must complete recent credit and, where recent credits are required, these credits shall be taken in professional education or in the applicant’s endorsement area(s).

4. Degree not granted until next regular commencement. An applicant who meets the requirements for a license with the exception of the degree, but whose degree will not be granted until the next regular commencement, may be issued a Class A license.

5. Based on an expired Iowa certificate or license, exclusive of a Class A, Class B, Class C, or Class D license. The holder of an expired license, exclusive of a Class A, Class B, Class C, or Class D license shall be eligible to receive a Class A license upon application. This license shall be endorsed for the type of service authorized by the expired license on which it is based.

6. Based on a mentoring and induction program. An applicant may be eligible for a Class A license if the school district, after conducting a comprehensive evaluation, recommends and verifies that the applicant shall participate in the mentoring program for a third year.

7. Based on a nonlicensed out-of-state applicant. If an applicant completes a teacher education program at a non-Iowa institution and has never held a valid regular license or certificate exclusive of a temporary, emergency or substitute license or certificate, then the applicant must provide verification of successfully passing the testing requirements in the state where the teacher preparation program was completed.

8. Based on an administrative decision. The executive director is authorized to issue a Class A license to an applicant whose services are needed to fill positions in unique need circumstances.