

**281—15.11 (256) Inappropriate applications of ILO coursework; criteria for waivers.**

**15.11(1) General.** ILO courses are not to be used by a participating school district or accredited nonpublic school as a long-term substitute for any course required to be offered and taught under 281—Chapter 12.

**15.11(2) Waiver of subrule 15.11(1): ILO coursework.** The department may grant for one year a waiver from the requirement to offer and teach a specific subject if the school district or accredited nonpublic school documents all of the following:

- a. The subject and grading period or periods for which waiver is requested.
- b. Reasons why the school district or accredited nonpublic school does not have a teacher employed who is appropriately licensed and endorsed for the educational level and content area being taught.
- c. The steps taken by the school district or accredited nonpublic school to employ a teacher who is appropriately licensed and endorsed for the educational level and content area being taught.
- d. Approval of the request by the local school board.

**15.11(3) Additional waiver of subrule 15.11(1): Coursework not available through ILO.** In addition to the requirements of rule 281—15.7(256), the specified subject may alternatively be provided by the school district or school if all of the following requirements are met:

- a. The course content is provided through an online learning platform by an Iowa licensed teacher with online learning experience.
- b. The course content provided is aligned with school district or school standards and satisfies the requirements of rule 281—15.13(256).
- c. The course is not offered by ILO pursuant to this chapter, or the course offered by ILO lacks the capacity to accommodate additional students.
- d. The course is the sole course per semester that the school district or school is providing instead of ILO pursuant to this rule.