**281—68.11(256F,83GA,SF2033) Application process.** An innovation zone consortium shall submit an application to establish an innovation zone school to the state board no later than December 15 immediately preceding the school year for which the innovation zone school desires to start operations. The application shall demonstrate the support, as of approximately the date of submission of the application, of at least 50 percent of the teachers employed at the proposed innovation zone school and at least 50 percent of the affected family units. The application shall set forth the manner in which the innovation zone school will comply with federal and state laws regarding instruction to students who are English learners and regarding the National School Lunch Act and Child Nutrition Act. [ARC 9264B, IAB 12/15/10, effective 1/19/11; ARC 6724C, IAB 12/14/22, effective 1/18/23]