

# **Teach Iowa Scholar Program, Eligibility Requirements Bill House File 2752**

Last Action:  
**House Appropriations  
Committee**  
April 1, 2026

**An Act relating to the Teach Iowa Scholar Program, including modifying eligibility provisions and establishing funding allocations.**

**Fiscal Services Division  
Legislative Services Agency**

## **NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS (NOBA)**

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**BILL SUMMARY**

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Requires that the following criteria apply to moneys awarded from the Teach Iowa Scholar Fund beginning in FY 2027:

- 20.0% must be awarded to eligible classroom teachers who provide special education instruction.
- 50.0% must be awarded to eligible classroom teachers employed by a rural school district with a certified enrollment of fewer than 1,000 students.

Eliminates the eligibility requirement that applicants to the Teach Iowa Scholar Program be in the top 25.0% academically of students exiting a teacher preparation program.

**House File 2752 provides for the following changes to the Code of Iowa.**

<b>Page #</b>	<b>Line #</b>	<b>Bill Section</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Code Section</b>
1	1	1	Strike	256.218.3.a
1	3	2	Add	256.218.7

1 1 Section 1. Section 256.218, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code  
1 2 2026, is amended by striking the paragraph.

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1 3 Sec. 2. Section 256.218, Code 2026, is amended by adding the  
1 4 following new subsection:  
1 5 NEW SUBSECTION 7. For each fiscal year beginning on or  
1 6 after July 1, 2026, of the moneys awarded pursuant to the teach  
1 7 Iowa scholar fund, all of the following shall apply:  
1 8 a. Twenty percent shall be awarded to eligible classroom  
1 9 teachers who provide special education instruction.  
1 10 b. Fifty percent shall be awarded to eligible classroom  
1 11 teachers who are employed by a rural school district. For  
1 12 purposes of this paragraph, "rural school district" means a  
1 13 school district with a certified enrollment of fewer than one  
1 14 thousand students.

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