

CHAPTER 270

SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

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270.1 Superintendent.

The superintendent of the Iowa school for the deaf shall be a trained and experienced educator of the deaf and hard of hearing. The superintendent's salary may include residence in the institution, but no such allowance shall be made except by express contract in advance.

[C97, §2723; S13, §2727-3a; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §4068; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §270.1]

[2020 Acts, ch 1102, §16](#); [2021 Acts, ch 76, §148, 151](#)

Governed by board of regents, [§262.7](#)

270.2 Labor of pupils. Repealed by 94 Acts, ch 1091, §25.

270.3 Admission.

Any resident of the state less than twenty-one years of age who has a hearing loss which is too severe to acquire an education in the public schools is eligible to attend the Iowa school for the deaf. Nonresidents similarly situated may be admitted to an education therein upon such terms as may be fixed by the state board of regents. The fee for nonresidents shall be set by the state board of regents.

[R60, §2156, 2160; C73, §1688, 1689; C97, §2724; S13, §2724; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §4070; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §270.3]

[2020 Acts, ch 1045, §19](#); [2020 Acts, ch 1102, §17](#)

270.4 Clothing and prescriptions.

The superintendent shall provide students, who would otherwise be without, with clothing or prescription refills, and shall bill the student's parent or guardian, if the student is a minor, or the student if the student has attained the age of majority, for any clothing or prescription refills provided. The bill shall be presumptive evidence in all courts.

[C73, §1695; C97, §2726; S13, §2726; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §4071; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §270.4]

[94 Acts, ch 1091, §22](#); [2020 Acts, ch 1045, §20](#)

Referred to in [§263.12](#), [269.2](#), [331.424](#)

270.5 Certification to director of the department of administrative services. Repealed by 2020 Acts, ch 1045, §25.

270.6 Certificate to auditor — collection. Repealed by 2020 Acts, ch 1045, §25.

270.7 Payment by county. Repealed by 2020 Acts, ch 1045, §25.

270.8 Residence during vacation.

The residence of indigent or homeless children may, by order of the state board of regents, be continued during vacation months.

[S13, §2727-a; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §4075; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §270.8]

Referred to in [§263.12](#), [269.2](#)

270.9 Iowa school for the deaf and the Iowa braille and sight saving school.

Funds appropriated to the Iowa school for the deaf and the Iowa braille and sight saving school for payments to the parents or guardians of pupils in either institution shall be expended as follows:

1. Transportation reimbursement at a rate established annually by the state board of regents to the parents or guardians of children who do not reside in the institution, but are transported to the institution on a daily basis.

2. Transportation reimbursement at a rate established annually by the state board of regents to the parents or guardians for transportation from the institution to the residence of the parent or guardian and return to the institution for children who reside in the institution.

[C77, 79, 81, §270.9]

[86 Acts, ch 1246, §131](#); [2020 Acts, ch 1102, §18](#)

270.10 Merger requirements.

1. The state board of regents shall not merge the Iowa school for the deaf at Council Bluffs with the Iowa braille and sight saving school at Vinton or close either of those institutions until all of the following requirements have been met:

a. The department of management has presented to the general assembly a comprehensive plan, program, and fiscal analysis of the existing circumstances and the circumstances which would prevail upon the proposed merger or closing, together with data which would support the contention that the merger or closing will be more efficient and effective than continuation of the existing facilities. The analysis shall include a detailed study of the educational implications of the merger or closing, the impact on the students, and the opinions and research of nationally recognized experts in the field of the education of visually impaired and deaf or hard-of-hearing students. The comprehensive plan shall further include a study relating to the programming, fiscal consequences, and political implications which would result if either a merger or an agreement under [chapter 28E](#) should be implemented between the Iowa school for the deaf in Council Bluffs and comparable state programs in the state of Nebraska.

b. The general assembly has studied the plans, programs, and fiscal analysis and has reviewed their impact on the programs.

c. The general assembly has enacted legislation authorizing either the closing or the merger to take effect not sooner than two years after the enactment of the legislation.

2. This section shall not apply to an agreement related to the sale or transfer of the property of the Iowa braille and sight saving school at Vinton entered into between the state of Iowa and the city of Vinton.

[86 Acts, ch 1246, §132](#); [2017 Acts, ch 170, §24](#); [2020 Acts, ch 1102, §19](#)