

282—22.6(272) Native language teaching authorization.

22.6(1) Authorization. The native language teaching authorization allows an individual to teach the individual's native language as a foreign language in grades K-8 or grades 5-12.

22.6(2) Application process. Any person interested in the native language teaching authorization shall submit an application to the board of educational examiners for an evaluation. Application materials are available from the office of the board of educational examiners online at www.boee.iowa.gov.

22.6(3) Requirements. Applicants must:

a. Hold a preliminary native language teaching authorization and meet the conversion requirements for the native language teaching authorization, or

b. Hold an Iowa teaching license and provide verification of successfully passing the Iowa-mandated assessment(s) by meeting the minimum score set by the Iowa department of education. The cut score may not be waived by the board. Applicants who hold an Iowa teaching license must also obtain a recommendation from a school district administrator verifying that the school district wishes to hire the applicant. Before the applicant is hired, the school district administrator must verify that a diligent search was completed to hire a fully licensed teacher with the proper endorsement for the position.

22.6(4) Validity. This authorization is valid for five years. No Class B licenses may be issued to an applicant holding the native language teaching authorization unless a teaching license is additionally obtained. No additional endorsement areas may be added to the native language teaching authorization.

22.6(5) Renewal.

a. Applicants must meet the renewal requirements set forth in rule 282—20.3(272) and 282—subrule 20.5(2).

b. A one-year extension may be issued if all requirements for the renewal of the native language teaching authorization have not been met. This one-year extension is not renewable.

22.6(6) Revocation and suspension. Criteria of professional practice and rules of the board of educational examiners shall be applicable to the holders of the native language teaching authorization. If a school district hires an applicant without the proper licensure or endorsement, a complaint may be filed.

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