Dear Senators MORTIMER, Thayn, Buckner-Webb, and Representatives VANORDEN, McDonald, Kloc:

The Legislative Services Office, Research and Legislation, has received the enclosed rules of the State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education:
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1703);
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Temporary and Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1705);
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Temporary and Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1707);
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1708).

Pursuant to Section 67-454, Idaho Code, a meeting on the enclosed rules may be called by the cochairmen or by two (2) or more members of the subcommittee giving oral or written notice to Research and Legislation no later than fourteen (14) days after receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to call a meeting on the enclosed rules is no later than 11/03/2017. If a meeting is called, the subcommittee must hold the meeting within forty-two (42) days of receipt of the rules' analysis from Legislative Services. The final date to hold a meeting on the enclosed rules is 12/05/2017.

The germane joint subcommittee may request a statement of economic impact with respect to a proposed rule by notifying Research and Legislation. There is no time limit on requesting this statement, and it may be requested whether or not a meeting on the proposed rule is called or after a meeting has been held.

To notify Research and Legislation, call 334-4834, or send a written request to the address on the memorandum attached below.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate Education Committee and the House Education Committee
FROM: Senior Legislative Research Analyst - Elizabeth Bowen
DATE: October 17, 2017

SUBJECT: State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education

IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1703)
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IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Temporary and Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1707)
IDAPA 08.02.02 - Rules Governing Uniformity - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 08-0202-1708)

The State Board of Education submits notice of proposed rulemaking at IDAPA 08.02.02.

Docket No. 08-0202-1703

This rule requires that residential schools must meet health and safety standards established by Section 39-1210, Idaho Code, in order to be fully accredited by the Board. The rule also revises some language.

Negotiated rulemaking was conducted, and there is no anticipated negative fiscal impact on the state general fund. The Board states that this rulemaking is authorized pursuant to several sections of the Idaho Code, including Section 33-119, which requires the Board to establish standards for school accreditation.

Docket No. 08-0202-1705

This rule, also a temporary rule, concerns teacher and administrator credentials. The rule: (1) Revises the definition of "institutional recommendation" to clarify differences between recommendations for teachers versus recommendations for administrators; (2) Clarifies requirements for courses administrators must take to have their certificates renewed; (3) Clarifies that laws and rules governing school staff holding certificates shall apply to all individuals serving in public schools, including those with interim certificates; and (4) Clarifies evaluation policies. The rule also revises terminology.

Negotiated rulemaking was conducted, and there is no anticipated negative fiscal impact on the state general fund. The Governor finds that the temporary rule is justified because, by clarifying evaluation requirements, the rule facilitates consistency in summative scoring and movement on the career ladder. The Board states that this rulemaking is authorized pursuant to several sections of the Idaho Code, including Section 33-1204, which authorizes rulemaking regarding certificates.
This rule provides that structured college or university visits, when such visits are part of a school district's college and career advising mentoring plan, are approved school activities for purposes of transportation and may thus be reimbursed under the Transportation Support Program. Negotiated rulemaking was conducted, and there is no negative fiscal impact on the state general fund. The Governor finds that the temporary rule is justified because this rule change brings the rule into alignment with Senate Bill 1123 (2017), which permits reimbursement of costs for transporting students to approved school activities. The Board states that this rulemaking is authorized pursuant to several sections of the Idaho Code, including Section 33-1006, regarding the Transportation Support Program.

This rule amends and clarifies certification requirements for career technical education instructors, including the age, education, and hours of experience necessary to obtain a certificate. Negotiated rulemaking was conducted, and there is no negative fiscal impact on the state general fund. The Board states that this rulemaking is authorized pursuant to several sections of the Idaho Code, including Section 33-1204, which authorizes rulemaking regarding certificates.

cc: State Board of and State Department of Education - State Department of Education
    Tracie Bent
AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2 of the Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-116, and 33-119, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 18, 2017.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

Proposed amendments update the reference to the Northwest Accreditation Commission to recognize it is now a part of AdvancEd, removes a reference to private and parochial schools that conflicts with language in Section 33-119, Idaho Code, and adds a reference to Residential Schools. Proposed references to residential schools applies to residential schools certified as accredited by the State Board of Education. Without the additional reference to residential schools all residential schools accredited by AdvancEd would be exempt from the health and safety requirement outlined in Section 39-1210, Idaho Code that all other non-accredited residential schools must follow. This reference applies to schools with a residential facility pursuant to Section 39-1120, Idaho code and does not apply to home schooled students.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: N/A


INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: No materials are being incorporated by reference.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Tracie Bent at (208) 332-1582 or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before October 25, 2017.

DATED this 29th day of August, 2017.

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140. ACCREDITATION.
All public secondary schools, serving any grade(s) 9-12, will be accredited pursuant to Section 33-119, Idaho Code. Accreditation is voluntary for elementary schools, grades K-8, private and parochial schools, and alternative schools not identified in Subsection 140.01.a. through 140.01.e. of this rule. (Section 33–119, Idaho Code) (3-20-14)

01. Alternative Schools. Beginning with the 2014-15 school year, an alternative school serving any grade(s) 9-12 that meets any three (3) of the criteria in Subsections 140.01.a. through 140.01.e. of this rule, shall be required to be accredited. An alternative school that does not meet three (3) of the following criteria shall be considered as an alternative program by the district board of trustees and shall be included in the accreditation process and reporting of another secondary school within the district for the purposes of meeting the intent of this rule.

a. School has an Average Daily Attendance greater than or equal to 36 students based on previous year’s enrollment; (3-20-14)

b. School enrolls any students full-time for the school year once eligibility determination is made as opposed to schools that enroll students for “make-up” or short periods of time; (3-20-14)

c. School offers an instructional model that is different than that provided by the traditional high school within the district for a majority of the coursework, including but not limited to online/virtual curriculum; (3-20-14)

d. School administers diplomas that come from that alternative school as opposed to students receiving a diploma from the traditional high school within the school district; or (3-20-14)

e. School receives its own accountability rating for federal reporting purposes. (3-20-14)

02. Continuous School Improvement Plan. Schools will develop continuous school improvement plans focused on the improvement of student performance. (4-2-08)

03. Standards. Schools will meet the accreditation standards of the Northwest Accreditation Commission, a division of AdvancED. (3-20-12)

03. Residential Schools. In addition to the academic standards, residential schools must meet the applicable health and safety standards established pursuant to Section 39-1210, Idaho Code, to be considered fully accredited by the State Board of Education. (___)

04. Reporting. An annual accreditation report will be submitted to the State Board of Education identifying each accredited school and school district in the state and the status of their accreditation. (4-2-08)
EFFECTIVE DATE: The effective date of the temporary rule is August 31, 2017.

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5221(1) and 67-5226, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has adopted a temporary rule, and proposed rulemaking procedures have been initiated. The action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2, Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-116, and 33-1004B, 33-1201, 33-1201A, 33-1204, and 33-1612, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 18, 2017.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is the required finding and concise statement of its supporting reasons for adopting a temporary rule and a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

Proposed amendments make technical corrections to the existing definition of an institutional recommendation to differentiate between the institutional recommendation that is required for instructional staff and the one required for administrators and amend existing references to professional development plans and professional learning plans to a single uniform term for consistency. Additional amendments will amend educator evaluation requirements to provide clarification to the existing requirements including, but not limited to, documentation requirements and school district policy requirements. Proposed evaluation amendments were based on areas identified during the annual evaluation review process and additional technical corrections identified during the negotiated rulemaking process.

TEMPORARY RULE JUSTIFICATION: Pursuant to Section 67-5226(1)(c), Idaho Code, the Governor has found that temporary adoption of the rule is appropriate for the following reasons:

This rule meets the requirements of conferring a benefit as it will create clarification in the existing evaluation requirements allowing for more uniformity of implementation benefiting administrators and teachers alike and resulting in greater consistency in the application of summative scoring and movement on the Career Ladder.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: N/A


INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: This rule contains no documents incorporated by reference.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the temporary and proposed rule, Tracie Bent at (208) 332-1582 or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding the proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before October 25, 2017.
DATED this 31st day of August, 2017

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THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEMPORARY RULE AND THE PROPOSED TEXT
OF DOCKET NO. 08-0202-1705
(Only Those Sections With Amendments Are Shown.)

007. DEFINITIONS.

01. Active Teacher. K-12 teacher with a valid Idaho certificate who is currently teaching in an Idaho K-12 classroom or school, either in person or online. (3-29-17)

02. Alternative Routes. Routes to teacher certification designed for candidates who want to enter the teaching profession from non-education professions or the paraprofessional profession, or for teachers lacking certification in a specific area defined as an emergency district need. (3-29-17)

03. Credential. The general term used to denote the document on which all of a person’s educational certificates and endorsements are listed. The holder is entitled to provide educational services in any and/or all areas listed on the credential. (3-16-04)

04. Endorsement. Term used to refer to the content area or specific area of expertise in which a holder is granted permission to provide services. (3-16-04)

05. Idaho Student Achievement Standards. Standards of achievement for Idaho’s K-12 students. See IDAPA 08.02.03, “Rules Governing Thoroughness.” (3-16-04)

06. Individualized Professional Learning Plan. An individualized professional development plan based on the Idaho framework for teacher evaluation as outlined in Section 120 of these rules to include interventions based on the individual's strengths and areas of needed growth. (3-25-16) (8-31-17)

07. Institutional Recommendation. Signed form or written verification from an accredited institution with an approved teacher educator preparation program stating that an individual has completed the program, received a basic or higher rating in all twenty-two (22) components of the approved Idaho framework for teaching evaluation, has an individualized professional learning plan, has demonstrated the ability to produce measurable student achievement or growth and student success, has the ability to create student learning objectives, and is now being recommended for state certification. Institutional recommendations must include statements of identified competency areas and grade ranges. Institutional Recommendation for administrators must additionally include a competency statement indicating proficiency in conducting accurate evaluations of instructional practice based upon the state’s framework for evaluation as outlined in Section 120 of these rules. (3-25-16) (8-31-17)

08. Local Education Agency (LEA). An Idaho public school district or charter school pursuant to Section 33-5203(8), Idaho Code. (3-29-17)
09. **Orientation.** School district/school process used to acquaint teachers new to district/school on its policies, procedures and processes. (3-16-04)

10. **Paraprofessional.** A noncertificated individual who is employed by a school district or charter school to support educational programming. Paraprofessionals must work under the direct supervision of a properly certificated staff member for the areas they are providing support. Paraprofessionals cannot serve as the teacher of record and may not provide direct instruction to a student unless the paraprofessional is working under the direct supervision of a teacher. (3-29-17)

   a. To qualify as a paraprofessional the individual must have a high school diploma or general equivalency diploma (GED) and:
      
      i. Demonstrate through a state approved academic assessment knowledge of and the ability to assist in instructing or preparing students to be instructed as applicable to the academic areas they are providing support in; or
      
      ii. Have completed at least two (2) years of study at an accredited postsecondary educational institution; or
      
      iii. Obtained an associate degree or higher level degree; demonstrate through a state approved academic assessment knowledge of and the ability to assist in instructing or preparing students to be instructed as applicable to the academic areas they are providing support in. (3-29-17)

   b. Individuals who do not meet these requirements will be considered school or classroom aides. (3-29-17)

   c. Duties of a paraprofessional include, but are not limited to, one-on-one tutoring; assisting in classroom management; assisting in computer instruction; conducting parent involvement activities; providing instructional support in a library or media center; acting as a translator in instructional matters; and providing instructional support services. Non-instructional duties such as providing technical support for computers, personal care services, and clerical duties are generally performed by classroom or school aides, however, this does not preclude paraprofessionals from also assisting in these non-instructional areas. (3-29-17)

11. **Pedagogy.** Teaching knowledge and skills. (3-16-04)

12. **Student Learning Objective (SLO).** A measurable, long-term academic growth target that a teacher sets at the beginning of the year for all student or for subgroups of students. SLOs demonstrate a teacher’s impact on student learning within a given interval of instruction based upon baseline data gathered at the beginning of the course. (3-25-16)

13. **Teacher Leader.** A teacher who facilitates the design and implementation of sustained, intensive, and job-embedded professional learning based on identified student and teacher needs. (3-25-16)

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**BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS**

015. **IDAHO EDUCATOR CREDENTIAL.**

The State Board of Education authorizes the State Department of Education to issue certificates and endorsements to those individuals meeting the specific requirements for each area provided herein. (3-25-16)

01. **Standard Instructional Certificate.** A Standard Instructional Certificate makes an individual eligible to teach all grades, subject to the grade ranges and subject areas of the valid endorsement(s) attached to the certificate. A standard instructional certificate may be issued to any person who has a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university and who meets the following requirements: (3-29-17)
a. Professional education requirements: (3-29-17)

i. Earned a minimum of twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours, in the philosophical, psychological, methodological foundations, instructional technology, and in the professional subject matter, which shall include at least three (3) semester credit hours, or four (4) quarter credit hours, in reading and its application to the content area; (3-29-17)

ii. The required minimum credit hours must include at least six (6) semester credit hours, or nine (9) quarter credit hours, of student teaching in the grade range and subject areas as applicable to the endorsement; and (3-29-17)

b. Completed an approved teacher preparation program and have an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university specifying the grade ranges and subjects for which they are eligible to receive an endorsement in; (3-29-17)

c. Individuals seeking endorsement in a secondary grade (pursuant to section 33-1001, Idaho Code) range must complete preparation in at least two (2) fields of teaching. One (1) of the teaching fields must consist of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours and a second field of teaching consisting of at least twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours. Preparation of not less than forty-five (45) semester credit hours, or sixty-seven (67) quarter credit hours, in a single subject area may be used in lieu of the two (2) teaching field requirements; (3-29-17)

d. Proficiency in areas noted above is measured by completion of the credit hour requirements provided herein. Additionally, each candidate must meet or exceed the state qualifying score on the state board approved content area and pedagogy assessments. (3-29-17)

e. The Standard Instructional Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate. (3-29-17)

02. Pupil Personnel Services Certificate. Persons who serve as school counselors, school psychologists, speech-language pathologists, school social workers, school nurses and school audiologists are required to hold the Pupil Personnel Services Certificate, with the respective endorsement(s) for which they qualify. (3-25-16)

a. Counselor Endorsement (K-12). To be eligible for a Pupil Personnel Services Certificate-Endorsed Counselor K-12, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements. The Pupil Personnel Services Certificate with a Counselor endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. (3-25-16)

i. Hold a master's degree and provide verification of completion of an approved program of graduate study in school counseling from a college or university approved by the Idaho State Board of Education or the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed. The program must include successful completion of seven hundred (700) clock hours of supervised field experience, seventy-five percent (75%) of which must be in a K-12 school setting. This K-12 experience must be in each of the following levels: elementary, middle/ junior high, and high school. Previous school counseling experience may be considered to help offset the field experience clock hour requirement; and

ii. An institutional recommendation is required for a Counselor K-12 Endorsement. (3-25-16)

b. School Psychologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. In order to renew the endorsement, six (6) professional development credits are required every five (5) years. The renewal credit requirement may be waived if the applicant holds a current valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) offered through the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). To be eligible for initial endorsement, a candidate must complete a minimum of sixty (60) graduate semester credit hours which must be accomplished through one (1) of the following options: (3-25-16)

i. Completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours,
master's degree in education or psychology and completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist Degree program, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; (3-25-16)

ii. Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, master's degree program in School Psychology, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; (3-25-16)

iii. Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist degree program which did not require a master's degree as a prerequisite, with laborator y experience in a classroom, which may include professional teaching experience, student teaching or special education practicum, and completion of a minimum twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; and (3-25-16)

iv. Earn a current and valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) issued by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). (3-25-16)

c. School Nurse Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement may be accomplished through completion of either requirements in Subsections 015.02.c.i. or 015.02.c.ii. in addition to the requirement of Subsection 015.02.c.iii. (3-29-17)

i. The candidate must possess a valid nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing, and a baccalaureate degree in nursing, education, or a health-related field from an accredited institution. (3-29-17)

ii. The candidate must possess a valid professional nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing and have completed nine (9) semester credit hours from a university or college in at least three (3) of the following areas: (3-25-16)

(1) Health program management; (3-25-16)

(2) Child and adolescent health issues; (3-25-16)

(3) Counseling, psychology, or social work; or (3-25-16)

(4) Methods of instruction. (3-25-16)

iii. Additionally, each candidate must have two (2) years of full-time (or part-time equivalent) school nursing, community health nursing, or any area of pediatric, adolescent, or family nursing experience. (3-25-16)

d. Interim Endorsement - School Nurse. This endorsement will be granted for those who do not meet the educational and/or experience requirements but who hold a valid professional nursing (RN) license in Idaho. An Interim School Nurse Endorsement will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and it is not renewable. (3-29-17)

e. Speech-Language Pathologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in a speech/language pathology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

f. Audiology Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who
possession a master's degree from an accredited college or university in an audiology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university.

3. g. School Social Worker Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement shall be accomplished by meeting the requirements of Subsections 015.02.g.i. through iii., or by meeting the requirement in Subsection 015.02.g.iv.: (3-29-17)

i. A master's degree in social work (MSW) from a postsecondary institution accredited by an organization recognized by the State Board of Education. The program must be currently approved by the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed; and (3-29-17)

ii. An institution recommendation from an Idaho State Board of Education approved program; and (3-29-17)

iii. The successful completion of a school social work practicum in a kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) setting. Post-MSW extensive experience working with children and families may be substituted for the completion of a school social work practicum in a K-12 setting. (3-29-17)

iv. A current and valid master's degree or higher social work license pursuant to chapter 32, title 54 and the rules of the State Board of Social Work Examiners. (3-29-17)

h. Interim Endorsement-Speech Language Pathologist. This certificate will be granted for those who do not meet the educational requirements but who hold a baccalaureate degree in speech language pathology and are pursuing a master's degree in order to obtain the pupil personnel services certificate endorsed in speech language pathology. An interim certificate will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and it is not renewable. (3-29-17)

03. Administrator Certificate. Every person who serves as a superintendent, a secondary school principal, or principal of an elementary school with eight (8) or more teachers (including the principal), or is assigned administrative duties over and above those commonly assigned to teachers, is required to hold an Administrator Certificate. The certificate may be endorsed for service as a school principal, a superintendent, or a director of special education and related services. Assistant superintendents are required to hold the Superintendent endorsement. Assistant principals or vice-principals are required to hold the Principal endorsement. Applicants for the Director of Special Education and Related Services endorsement will hold that endorsement on an Administrator Certificate. Proof of proficiency in evaluating teacher performance shall be demonstrated by passing a proficiency assessment approved by the State Department of Education as an initial certification requirement. Possession of an Administrator Certificate does not entitle the holder to serve as a teacher at a grade level for which the educator is not qualified or certificated. All administrator certificates require candidates to meet the following competencies of the Idaho Foundation Standards for School Administrators: School Climate, Collaborative Leadership, and Instructional Leadership. The Administrator Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate. (3-29-17)

a. School Principal Endorsement (Pre-K-12). To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed for School Principal Pre-K-12, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements: (3-25-16)

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated experience working with students, Pre-K-12, while under contract in an accredited school setting. (3-25-16)

iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program, or have one (1) year of experience as an administrator in grades Pre-K-12. (3-25-16)

iv. Provide verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least thirty (30) semester hours in educational administration and leadership.
v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Principal Pre-K-12 Endorsement. (3-25-16)

b. Superintendent Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate with a Superintendent endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Hold an education specialist or doctorate degree or complete a comparable post-master's sixth year program at an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with Pre-K-12 students while under contract in an accredited school setting. (3-25-16)

iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program for the superintendent endorsement or have one (1) year of out-of-state experience as an assistant superintendent or superintendent in grades Pre-K-12. (3-25-16)

iv. Provide verification of completion of an approved program of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of post-master's degree graduate study for the preparation of school superintendents at an accredited college or university. This program in school administration and interdisciplinary supporting areas shall include the competencies in Superintendent Leadership, in additional to the competencies in the Idaho Foundation Standards for School Administrators: School Climate, Collaborative Leadership, and Instructional Leadership. (3-25-16)

v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Superintendent Endorsement. (3-25-16)

c. Director of Special Education and Related Services Endorsement (Pre-K-12). To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed for Director of Special Education and Related Services Pre-K-12, a candidate must have satisfied all of the following requirements:

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university; (3-25-16)

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with students Pre-K-12, while under contract in a school setting; (3-25-16)

iii. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated the competencies of the Idaho Foundation Standards for School Administrators: School Climate, Collaborative Leadership, and Instructional Leadership; (3-25-16)

iv. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated competencies in the following areas, in addition to the competencies in the Idaho Foundation Standards for School Administrators: Concepts of Least Restrictive Environment; Post-School Outcomes and Services for Students with Disabilities Ages Three (3) to Twenty-one (21); Collaboration Skills for General Education Intervention; Instructional and Behavioral Strategies; Individual Education Programs (IEPs); Assistive and Adaptive Technology; Community-Based Instruction and Experiences; Data Analysis for Instructional Needs and Professional Training; Strategies to Increase Program Accessibility; Federal and State Laws and Regulations and School District Policies; Resource Advocacy; and Technology Skills for Referral Processes, and Record Keeping; (3-25-16)

v. Have completed an administrative internship/practicum in the area of administration of special education and related services; and (3-25-16)

vi. An institutional recommendation is required for Director of Special Education and Related Services Pre-K-12 Endorsement.
04. Certification Standards For Career Technical Educators. Teachers of career technical courses or programs in secondary or postsecondary schools must hold an endorsement in an appropriate occupational discipline. This endorsement may be held on a Standard Instructional Certificate or an Occupational Specialist Certificate. For postsecondary instructors and administrators, certification fees are set by the State Board for Career Technical Education, and application processes are managed by the Division of Career Technical Education.

(3-29-17)

05. Degree Based Career Technical Certification.

a. Individuals graduating from an approved occupational teacher preparation degree program qualify to teach in the following five (5) disciplines: Agricultural and Natural Resources; Business Technology Education; Family and Consumer Sciences; Marketing Technology Education; Computer Science Technology and Engineering Technology Education. Occupational teacher preparation course work must meet the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. The occupational teacher education program must provide appropriate content to constitute a major in the identified field. Student teaching shall be in an approved program and include experiences in the major field. Applicants shall have accumulated four thousand (4,000) clock hours of related work experience or shall have completed a Division of Career Technical Education approved practicum in their respective field of specialization.

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b. The Career Technical Administrator certificate is required for an individual serving as an administrator, director, manager or coordinator of career technical education at the state, secondary or postsecondary level. Individuals must meet the following prerequisites to qualify for the Career Technical Administrator Certificate. Equivalence in each area will be determined on an individual basis by the Division of Career Technical Education.

i. Qualify for or hold an Occupational Specialist certificate or hold an occupational endorsement on a standard instructional certificate with an applicable endorsement;

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ii. Provide evidence of a minimum of four (4) years' teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical discipline;

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iii. Hold a master's degree; and

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iv. Complete at least fifteen (15) semester credits of administrative course work. Applicants must have completed: financial aspects of career technical education; administration of personnel; and legal aspects of career technical education, and statewide framework for teacher evaluations that includes a laboratory component. Additional course work can be selected from any of the following areas: administration and supervision of occupational programs; instructional supervision; administration internship; curriculum development; curriculum evaluation; research in curriculum; school community relations; communication; teaching the adult learner; coordination of work-based learning programs; and/or measurement and evaluation.

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v. To renew the Career Technical Administrator Certificate, individuals are required to complete six (6) semester hours of related course work or meet renewal requirements for career technical instructional staff.

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c. Work-Based Learning Coordinator Endorsement. Educators assigned to coordinate approved work-based experiences must hold the Work-Based Learning Coordinator endorsement. To be eligible, applicants must hold an occupational endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate or qualify for an Occupational Specialist Certificate, plus complete course work in coordination of work-based learning programs.

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d. Career Counselor Endorsement. The endorsement for a Career Counselor may be issued to applicants who hold a current Pupil Personnel Services Certificate-Endorsed Counselor K-12 and who have satisfied the following career technical requirement: Career Pathways and Career Technical Guidance; Principles/Foundations of Career Technical Education; and Theories of Occupational Choice.

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06. Occupational Specialist Certificate. The Occupational Specialist Certificates are industry based career technical certifications issued in lieu of a degree based career technical certificate. Certificate holders must
meet the following eligibility requirements:

(a) Be eighteen (18) years of age; document full-time, successful, recent, gainful employment in the area for which certification is requested; possess either a high school diploma or General Educational Development (GED) certificate; meet provisions of Idaho Code; and, verify technical skills through work experience, certification or testing as listed below. When applicable, requirements of occupationally related state agencies must also be met. Since educational levels and work experiences vary, applicants may be determined highly qualified under any one (1) of the following three (3) options:

(i) Have eight (8) years or sixteen thousand (16,000) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation for which certification is requested. Up to forty-eight (48) months credit or up to eight thousand (8,000) hours can be counted toward the eight (8) years on a month-to-month basis for journeyman training or completed postsecondary training in a career technical education program; or

(ii) Have a baccalaureate degree in the specific occupation or related area, plus three (3) years or six thousand (6,000) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation; or

(iii) Meet any (1) of the following:

1. Be a journeyman with two (2) years of recent, full-time, gainful, related work experience, or have completed a formal apprenticeship program in the occupation or related area for which certification is requested. The apprenticeship must be under the direction of an employer and the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training or an approved state apprenticeship agency; or

2. Pass an approved state or national certification examination plus three (3) years of recent, gainful, related work experience (length and type of work experience will be determined on an individual basis); or

3. Pass approved industry related certification for skill level requirements (vendor and industry specific) plus three (3) years of recent, gainful, related work experience (length and type of work experience will be determined on an individual basis). If no competency test exists, a written recommendation from a representative occupational advisory council/committee and recorded in its minutes is required to verify occupational competence.

(b) Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who are new to teaching in public schools. The certificate is valid for three (3) years and is non-renewable:

(i) Within the first eighteen (18) months, the holder must complete the pre-service workshop sponsored by the Division of Career Technical Education and an approved course in career technical methods and student assessment; or

(ii) Complete a new-teacher induction workshop at the state or district level; and

(iii) Within the three-year (3) period of the Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate, the instructor must satisfactorily demonstrate competencies in Principles/Foundations of Occupational Education and Methods of Teaching Occupational Education. Additionally, the instructor must satisfactorily demonstrate competencies in two (2) of the following areas: Career Pathways and Guidance; Analysis, Integration, and Curriculum Development; and Measurement and Evaluation.

(c) Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who have:

(i) Completed the pre-service workshop sponsored by the Division of Career Technical Education and an approved course in career technical methods and student assessment; and

(ii) Completed a new-teacher induction workshop at the state or district level; and
iii. Can satisfactorily demonstrate competencies in Principles/Foundations of Occupational Education and Methods of Teaching Occupational Education; and (3-29-17)

iv. Can demonstrate competencies in two (2) of the following areas: Career Pathways and Guidance; Analysis, Integration, and Curriculum Development; and Measurement and Evaluation; and (3-29-17)

v. The Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years and must be renewed pursuant to Section 060 of these rules. Credit equivalencies will be based on verification of one hundred twenty (120) hours of approved related work experience or forty-five (45) hours of participation at approved technical conferences, institutes, or workshops or any equivalent combination thereof, and having on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period. Work experience may be prorated at the rate of forty (40) hours per credit. Technical conference, institutes, or workshop participation may be prorated at the rate of fifteen (15) hours per credit. (3-29-17)

d. Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who:

i. Meet the requirements for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate; (3-29-17)

ii. Can provide evidence of completion of a teacher training degree program or eighteen (18) semester credits of approved education related course work, such as educational methodology in the content area, in addition to the twelve (12) semester credits required for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate (a total of thirty (30) semester credits); and (3-29-17)

iii. File a new professional development plan for the next certification period; and (3-25-16)

iv. The Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years and must be renewed pursuant to Section 060. At least three (3) educationally focused semester credits must be taken for university or college credit. Verification will be based on an official transcript. In addition to the minimum of three (3) semester credits, in-service activities or related work experience may be used. Credit equivalencies will be based on verification of one hundred twenty (120) hours of approved related work experience or forty-five (45) hours of participation at approved technical conferences, institutes and workshops or any equivalent combination thereof, and having on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period. Work experience may be prorated at the rate of forty (40) hours per credit. Technical conference, institutes, or workshop participation may be prorated at the rate of fifteen (15) hours per credit. (3-29-17)

07. Postsecondary Specialist. A Postsecondary Specialist certificate will be granted to a current academic faculty member whose primary employment is with any accredited Idaho postsecondary institution. To be eligible to teach in the public schools under this postsecondary specialist certificate, the candidate must supply a recommendation from the employing institution (faculty's college dean). The primary use of this state-issued certificate will be for distance education, virtual classroom programs, and for public and postsecondary partnerships. (3-29-17)

a. Renewal. This certificate is good for five (5) years and is renewable. To renew the certificate, the renewal application must be accompanied with a new written recommendation from the postsecondary institution (faculty's college dean level or higher). (3-29-17)

b. Fees. The fee is the same as currently in effect for an initial or renewal certificate as established in Section 066 of these rules. (3-25-16)

c. The candidate must meet the following qualifications:

i. Hold a master's degree or higher in the content area being taught; (3-25-16)

ii. Be currently employed by the postsecondary institution in the content area to be taught; and (3-25-16)

iii. Complete and pass a criminal history background check as required according to Section 33-130,
08. **American Indian Language.** Each Indian tribe shall provide to the State Department of Education the names of those highly and uniquely qualified individuals who have been designated to teach the tribe's native language in accordance with Section 33-1280, Idaho Code. Individuals identified by the tribe(s) may apply for an Idaho American Indian Certificate as American Indian languages teachers.

a. The Office of Indian Education at the State Department of Education will process an application that has met the requirements of the Tribe(s) for an American Indian languages teacher.

b. Once an application with Tribal approval has been received, it will be reviewed and, if approved, it will be forwarded to the Office of Certification for a criminal history background check as required in Section 33-130, Idaho Code. The application must include a ten finger fingerprint card or scan and a fee for undergoing a criminal history check pursuant to Section 33-130, Idaho Code.

c. The Office of Certification will review the application and verify the applicant is eligible for an Idaho American Indian Certificate. The State Department of Education shall authorize an eligible applicant as an American Indian languages teacher. An Idaho American Indian Certificate is valid for not more than five (5) years. Individuals may apply for a renewal certificate.

09. **Junior Reserved Officer Training Corps (Junior ROTC) Instructors.**

a. Each school district with a Junior ROTC program shall provide the State Department of Education with a list of the names of those individuals who have completed an official armed forces training program to qualify as Junior ROTC instructors in high schools.

b. Each school district with a Junior ROTC program shall provide the State Department of Education with a notarized copy of their certificate(s) of completion.

c. Authorization Letter. Upon receiving the items identified in Subsections 15.09.a. and b., the State Department of Education shall issue a letter authorizing these individuals as Junior ROTC instructors.

10. **Additional Renewal Requirements.** In addition to specific certificate or endorsement renewal requirements, applicants must meet the following renewal requirements as applicable:

a. Mathematics In-Service Program. In order to recertify, the state approved mathematics instruction course titled “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction”, or another State Department of Education approved alternative course, shall be required. The “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction” course consists of three (3) credits. Teachers must take one (1) of the three (3) courses developed that is most closely aligned with their current assignment. Any teacher successfully completing said course shall be deemed to have met the requirement of Subsection 060.02.c. of this rule as long as said course is part of an official transcript or completed before September 1, 2013, and verified by the State Department of Education. Successful completion of a state approved mathematics instruction course shall be a one-time requirement for renewal of certification for those currently employed in an Idaho school district and shall be included within current requirements for continuing education for renewal. The following must successfully complete the “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction” course or another State Department of Education approved alternative course in order to recertify:

   i. Each teacher holding an Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education Blended endorsement (Birth - Grade 3) who is employed by a school district or charter school as a K-3 multi-subject or special education teacher;

   ii. Each teacher holding a Standard Instructional Certificate (K-8) who is employed by a school district or charter school as a K-6 multi-subject teacher;

   iii. Each teacher holding a Standard Instructional Certificate (6-12) teaching in a mathematics content classroom (grade six (6) through grade twelve (12)) including Title I who is employed by a school district or charter school; and
iv. Each teacher holding a Standard Exceptional Child Generalist Endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school as a special education teacher. (3-29-17)

v. Each school administrator coming from out-of-state holding an Administrator Certificate who is employed by a school district or charter school. (3-29-17)

b. Waiver of Mathematics In-Service Program. When applying for certificate renewal, an automatic waiver of the mathematics in-service program requirement shall be granted for any certificated individual living outside of the state of Idaho who is not currently employed as an educator in the state of Idaho. This waiver applies only as long as the individual remains outside the state of Idaho or as long as the individual is not employed as an educator in the state of Idaho. Upon returning to Idaho or employment in an Idaho public school, the educator will need to complete this requirement prior to the next renewal period. (3-25-16)

c. Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course. In order to recertify, a state approved Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course shall be required. Successful completion of a state approved Idaho Comprehensive Literacy course shall be a one-time requirement for renewal of certification for those currently employed in an Idaho school district and shall be included within current requirements for continuing education for renewal. The following individuals must successfully complete an Idaho Comprehensive Literacy course in order to recertify:

i. Each teacher holding an Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education Blended Endorsement (Birth - Grade 3) who is employed by a school district or charter school; (3-29-17)

ii. Each teacher holding a Standard Instructional Certificate (K-8) who is employed by a school district or charter school; and (3-29-17)

iii. Each teacher holding a Standard Exceptional Child Generalist Endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school. (3-29-17)

d. Administrator certificate renewal. In order to recertify, holders of an administrator certificate must complete a course consisting of a minimum of three (3) semester credits in the Idaho framework for teachers' evaluation pursuant to Section 33-1204, Idaho Code. Credits must be earned through an approved teacher preparation program and include a laboratory component. The laboratory component must include in-person or video observation and scoring of teacher performance using the statewide framework for teacher’s evaluation. The course must include the following competencies:

i. Understanding professional practice in Idaho evaluation requirements, including gathering accurate evidence and artifacts, understanding and using the state framework for evaluation rubric with fidelity, proof of calibration and interrater reliability, ability to provide effective feedback for teacher growth, and understanding and advising teachers on individualized learning plan and portfolio development. (8-31-17)

ii. Understanding student achievement and growth in the Idaho evaluation framework, including understanding how measurable student achievement and growth measures impact summative evaluation ratings and proficiency in assessment literacy. (8-31-17)

016. IDAHO INTERIM CERTIFICATE.
The State Department of Education or the Division of Career Technical Education, as applicable to the certificate, is authorized to issue a three-year (3) interim certificate to those applicants who hold a valid certificate/license from another state or other entity that participates in the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Interstate Agreement pursuant to Section 33-4104, Idaho Code, or engaged in an alternate route to certification as prescribed herein. (3-29-17)

01. Interim Certificate Not Renewable. Interim certification is only available on a one-time basis per individual except under extenuating circumstances approved by the State Department of Education. It will be the responsibility of the individual to meet the requirements of the applicable alternate authorization route and to obtain a full Idaho Educator Credential during the term of the interim certificate. (3-29-17)

02. Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course. For all Idaho teachers working on interim certificates,
alternate routes or coming from out of the state, completion of a state approved Idaho Comprehensive Literacy course shall be a one-time requirement for full certification. (3-25-16)

03. Mathematical Thinking for Instruction. For all Idaho teachers working on interim certificates (alternate authorizations, nontraditional routes, or coming from out of the state), with an All Subjects K-8 endorsement or any mathematics endorsement must complete a state approved Mathematical Thinking for Instruction, or another State Department of Education approved alternative course, as a one-time requirement to receive a standard instructional, standard occupational, or advanced occupational certificate. (3-29-17)

04. Technology. Out-of-state applicants will be reviewed by the hiring district for technology deficiencies and may be required to take technology courses to improve their technology skills. (4-7-11)

05. Reinstatement of Expired Certificate. An individual holding an expired Idaho certificate may be issued a nonrenewable three-year interim certificate. During the validity period of the interim certificate, the applicant must meet all current requirements listed for the specific certificate and endorsement(s) including the appropriate content, pedagogy, and performance assessments. (3-29-12)

06. Foreign Institutions. An educator having graduated from a foreign institution that is listed in the Accredited Degree-Granting Institutions section of the “Accredited Institutions of Postsecondary Education” and having a valid/current teaching certificate/license from the country or province in which the foreign institution is located, may be issued a non-renewable, three-year interim certificate. The applicant must also complete the requirements listed in Section 013 of these rules. (4-2-08)

07. Codes of Ethics. All laws and rules governing standard certificated staff with respect to conduct, discipline, and professional standards shall apply to all individuals serving in an Idaho public school, including those employed under an interim certificate. (8-31-17)

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021. ENDORSEMENTS.

Holders of a Standard Instructional Certificate, Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate, and Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate may be granted endorsements in subject areas as provided herein. Instructional staff are eligible to teach in the grades and content areas of their endorsements. Idaho preparation programs shall prepare candidates for endorsements in accordance with the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. An official statement of competency in a teaching area or field is acceptable in lieu of required credits if such statements originate in the department or division of the accredited college or university in which the competency is established and are approved by the director of teacher education of the recommending college or university. Statements must include the number of credits the competency evaluation is equivalent to. To add an endorsement to an existing credential, an individual shall complete the credit hour requirements as provided herein and shall also meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate, state approved content, pedagogy and performance assessments. When converting semester credit hours to quarter credit hours, two (2) semester credit hours is equal to three (3) quarter credit hours. (3-29-17)

01. Clinical Experience Requirement. All endorsements require supervised teaching experience in the relevant content area, or a State Department of Education or Division of Career Technical Education approved alternative clinical experience as applicable to the area of endorsement. (3-29-17)

02. Alternative Authorization to Endorsement. Candidates shall meet all requirements of the chosen option for the endorsement as provided herein.

a. Option I -- An official statement of competency in a teaching area or field is acceptable in lieu of
courses for a teaching field if such statements originate in the department or division of the accredited college or university in which the competency is established and are approved by the director of teacher education of the recommending college or university.

b. Option II -- National Board. By earning National Board Certification in content specific areas, teachers may gain endorsement in a corresponding subject area.

c. Option III -- Master's degree or higher. By earning a graduate degree in a content specific area, candidates may add an endorsement in that same content area to a valid instructional certificate.

d. Option IV -- Testing and/or Assessment. Two (2) pathways are available to some teachers, depending upon endorsement(s) already held.

i. Pathway 1 -- Endorsements may be added through state-approved testing and a mentoring component. The appropriate test must be successfully completed within the first year of authorization in an area closely compatible with an endorsement for which the candidate already qualifies and is experienced. Additionally, requires the successful completion of a one (1)-year state-approved mentoring component.

ii. Pathway 2 -- Endorsements may be added through state-approved testing in an area less closely compatible with an endorsement for which the candidate already qualifies and is experienced. The appropriate test must be successfully completed within the first year of the authorization. Additionally, requires the successful completion of a one (1)-year state-approved mentoring component and passing a final pedagogy assessment.

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

042. ALTERNATE ROUTES TO CERTIFICATION.
The purpose of this program is to provide an alternative for individuals to become certificated teachers in Idaho without following a standard teacher education program. Alternative Routes to Certification shall allow individuals to serve as the teacher of record prior to having earned full certification status. The teacher of record is defined as the person who is primarily responsible for planning instruction, delivering instruction, assessing students formatively and summatively, and designating the final grade. Individuals who are currently employed as Paraprofessionals and, individuals with strong subject matter background but limited experience with educational methodology shall follow the alternate certification requirements provided herein. Individuals who are currently certificated to teach but who are in need of an emergency endorsement in another area may obtain an endorsement through an alternate route as described in Subsection 021.02 of these rules.

01. Alternative Authorization -- Teacher To New Certification. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allow Idaho school districts to request additional certification when a professional position cannot be filled with someone who has the correct certification. Alternative authorization in this area is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total.

a. Prior to application, a candidate must hold a baccalaureate degree, and a valid Idaho instructional certificate. The school district must provide supportive information attesting to the ability of the candidate to fill the position.

b. A candidate must participate in an approved alternative route preparation program.

i. The candidate will work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university, and the employing school district. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credits annually to maintain eligibility for renewal; and

ii. The participating college/university shall provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent
knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences.  

02. Alternative Authorization -- Content Specialist. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to offer an expedited route to certification for individuals who are highly and uniquely qualified in a subject area to teach in a district with an identified need for teachers in that area. Alternative authorization in this area is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total.  

a. Initial Qualifications.  

i. A candidate must hold a baccalaureate degree or have completed all of the requirements of a baccalaureate degree except the student teaching or practicum portion; and  

ii. The hiring district shall ensure the candidate is qualified to teach in the area of identified need through demonstrated content knowledge. This may be accomplished through a combination of employment experience and education.  

b. Alternative Route Preparation Program -- College/University Preparation or Other State Board Approved Certification Program.  

i. At the time of authorization a consortium comprised of a designee from the college/university to be attended or other state board approved certification program, and a representative from the school district, and the candidate shall determine the preparation needed to meet the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. This plan must include mentoring and a minimum of one (1) classroom observation by the mentor per month, which will include feedback and reflection, while teaching under the alternative authorization. The plan must include annual progress goals that must be met for annual renewal;  

ii. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credit hours or its equivalent of accelerated study in education pedagogy prior to the end of the first year of authorization. The number of required credits will be specified in the consortium developed plan;  

iii. At the time of authorization the candidate must enroll in and work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university or other state board approved certification program, and the employing school district. A teacher must attend, participate in, and successfully complete an individualized alternative route preparation program as one (1) of the conditions for annual renewal and to receive a recommendation for full certification;  

iv. The participating college/university or other state board approved certification program shall provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions and relevant life/work experiences; and  

v. Prior to entering the classroom, the candidate shall meet or exceed the state qualifying score on appropriate state-approved content, pedagogy, or performance assessment.  

03. Non-Traditional Route to Teacher Certification. An individual may acquire interim certification as found in Section 016 of these rules through an approved non-traditional route certification program.  

a. Individuals who possess a baccalaureate degree or higher from an accredited institution of higher education may utilize this non-traditional route to an interim Idaho Teacher Certification.  

b. To complete this non-traditional route, the individual must:  

i. Complete a Board approved program;  

ii. Pass the Board approved pedagogy and content knowledge exams; and
iii. Complete the Idaho Department of Education Criminal History Check. (4-6-05)

c. Interim Certificate. Upon completion of the certification process described herein, the individual will be awarded an interim certificate from the State Department of Education’s Certification and Professional Standards Department. During the term of the interim certificate, teaching by the individual must be done in conjunction with a two (2) year teacher mentoring program approved by the Board. The individual must complete the mentoring program during the term of the interim certificate. In the case where teachers start their mentoring program in the third year of their interim certificate, they must apply to the State Department of Education Teacher Certification Department for a waiver to complete the final year of their mentoring program for full certification. All laws and rules governing the fully standard instructional certificated teachers and pupil service staff with respect to conduct, discipline and professional standards shall apply to individuals teaching under any Idaho certificate including an interim certificate. (3-29-17)

d. Interim Certificate Not Renewable. Interim certification hereunder is only available on a one (1) time basis per individual. It will be the responsibility of the individual to obtain a valid renewable Idaho Educator Credential during the three (3) year interim certification term. (3-25-16)

e. Types of Certificates and Endorsements. The non-traditional route may be used for first-time certification, subsequent certificates, and additional endorsements. (3-20-14)

04. Alternative Authorization - Pupil Personnel Services. The purpose of this alternative authorization is to allow Idaho school districts to request endorsement/certification when a position requiring the Pupil Personnel Services certificate cannot be filled with someone who has the correct endorsement/certification. The exception to this rule is the Interim School Nurse endorsement and the Interim Speech Language Pathologist endorsement. The requirements for these endorsements are defined in Subsection 015.02 of these rules. The alternate authorization is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed for two (2) additional years with evidence of satisfactory progress toward completion of an approved alternative route preparation program. Interim certification is valid for not more than three (3) years total. (3-29-17)

a. Initial Qualifications. The applicant must complete the following: (4-2-08)

i. Prior to application, a candidate must hold a master’s degree and hold a current Idaho license from the Bureau of Occupational Licenses in the area of desired certification; and (3-25-16)

ii. The employing school district must provide supportive information attesting to the ability of the candidate to fill the position. (4-2-08)

b. Alternative Route Preparation Program. (4-2-08)

i. The candidate must work toward completion of the alternative route preparation program through a participating college/university and the employing school district. The alternative route preparation program must include annual progress goals. (3-25-16)

ii. The candidate must complete a minimum of nine (9) semester credits annually to be eligible for extension of up to a total of three (3) years. (4-2-08)

iii. The participating college/university or the State Department of Education will provide procedures to assess and credit equivalent knowledge, dispositions, and relevant life/work experiences. (4-2-08)

iv. The candidate must meet all requirements for the endorsement/certificate as provided herein. (4-2-08)

05. Alternate Authorization Renewal. Annual renewal will be based on the school year and satisfactory progress toward completion of the applicable alternate authorization requirements. (3-25-16)

043. -- 059. (RESERVED)

060. APPLICATION PROCEDURES / PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.
To obtain a new, renew, or reinstate an Idaho Educator Credential, the applicant must submit an application on a form supplied by the State Department of Education or the Division of Career Technical Education as applicable to the type of certificate. All applications for new, renewed, or reinstated occupational specialist certificates must be submitted to the Division of Career Technical Education. The following requirements must be met to renew or reinstate an Idaho Educator Credential.

01. State Board of Education Requirements for Professional Growth.

   a. Credits taken for recertification must be educationally related to the professional development individualized professional learning plan or related to the professional practice of the applicant. (4-1-97)
      i. Credits must be specifically tied to content areas and/or an area of any other endorsement; or (5-8-09)
      ii. Credits must be specific to pedagogical best practices or for administrative/teacher leadership; or (4-2-08)
      iii. Credits must be tied to a specific area of need designated by district administration. (4-2-08)

   b. Graduate or undergraduate credit will be accepted for recertification. Credit must be college transferrable transcripted and completed through an accredited college or university accredited by an entity recognized by the state board of education. (4-1-97)

   c. All requests for equivalent in-service training to apply toward recertification, except occupational specialist certificates, must be made through the State Department of Education upon recommendation of the board of trustees consistent with the State Department of Education guidelines. Individuals holding Occupational Specialist Certificates must be made through the Division of Career Technical Education. Applicants must receive prior approval of in-service training and course work prior to applying for renewal. All in-service training must be aligned with the individual’s individualized professional learning plan or related to professional practice. (3-29-17)

   d. At least fifteen (15) hours of formal instruction must be given for each hour of in-service credit granted. (4-1-97)

   e. Recertification credits may not be carried over from one (1) recertification period to the next. (4-1-97)

   f. Certificated personnel teaching in subjects outside their major area of preparation will be encouraged to complete the courses required for major certification endorsement. (4-1-97)

   g. All credits gained through coursework taken during the validity period of the certificate and commencing prior to September 1, 2008 shall be accepted toward recertification. (3-8-09)

   h. An appeals process, developed by the State Department of Education in conjunction with the Professional Standards Commission or the Division of Career Technical Education, as applicable to the certificate type, shall be available to applicants whose credits submitted for recertification, in part or as a whole, are rejected for any reason if such denial prevents an applicant from renewing an Idaho certificate. An applicant whose credits submitted for recertification are rejected, in part or as a whole, within six (6) months of the expiration of the applicant’s current certification shall be granted an automatic appeal and a temporary certification extension during the appeal or for one (1) year, whichever is greater. (3-29-17)

02. State Board of Education Professional Development Requirements.

   a. Districts will have professional development plans. (4-1-97)

   b. All certificated personnel will be required to complete at least six (6) semester hours or the equivalent within the five (5) year period of validity of the certificate being renewed. (4-1-97)
c. At least three (3) semester credits will be taken for university or college credit. Verification may be by official or unofficial transcript. Individuals found to have intentionally altered transcripts used for verification who would have not otherwise met this renewal requirement will be investigated for violations of the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators, which may result in the revocation of the individual’s certification.

(BREAK IN CONTINUITY OF SECTIONS)

120. LOCAL DISTRICT EVALUATION POLICY -- TEACHER INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF AND PUPIL PERSONNEL CERTIFICATE HOLDERS.

Each school district board of trustees will develop and adopt policies for teacher certified staff performance evaluation using multiple measures in which criteria and procedures for the evaluation of certificated personnel are research based. For pupil service staff, those standards shall be aligned with the profession’s national standards. For instructional staff, those standards shall be aligned to Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching Second Edition domains and components of instruction. Individual domain and component ratings specified in Subsection 120.01 of this rule must be determined based on a combination of professional practice and student achievement. For all certification personnel, domain and or component ratings may be weighted based on the individual’s individualized professional learning plan. The summative evaluation rating must be based on a combination of professional practice and student achievement as specified in Subsections 120.02 and 120.03. The process of developing criteria and procedures for certificated personnel evaluation will allow opportunities for input from those affected by the evaluation; i.e., trustees, administrators, teachers, and parents. The evaluation policy will be a matter of public record and communicated to the certificated personnel for whom it is written.

01. Standards. Each district evaluation model shall be aligned to state minimum standards that are based on Charlotte Danielson’s Framework for Teaching Second Edition domains and components of instruction. Those domains and components include:

a. Domain 1 - Planning and Preparation:
   i. Demonstrating Knowledge of Content and Pedagogy;
   ii. Demonstrating Knowledge of Students;
   iii. Setting Instructional Outcomes;
   iv. Demonstrating Knowledge of Resources;
   v. Designing Coherent Instruction; and
   vi. Designing Student Assessments.

b. Domain 2 - The Classroom Environment:
   i. Creating an Environment of Respect and Rapport;
   ii. Establishing a Culture for Learning;
   iii. Managing Classroom Procedures;
   iv. Managing Student Behavior; and
   v. Organizing Physical Space.

c. Domain 3 - Instruction and Use of Assessment:
   i. Communicating with Students;
ii. Using Questioning and Discussion Techniques; (3-29-10)
iii. Engaging Students in Learning; (3-29-10)
iv. Using Assessment in Instruction; and (3-29-12)
v. Demonstrating Flexibility and Responsiveness. (3-29-12)
d. Domain 4 - Professional Responsibilities:
   i. Reflecting on Teaching; (3-29-10)
   ii. Maintaining Accurate Records; (3-29-10)
   iii. Communicating with Families; (3-29-10)
   iv. Participating in a Professional Community; (3-29-12)
   v. Growing and Developing Professionally; and (3-29-10)
   vi. Showing Professionalism. (3-29-10)

02. Professional Practice. For evaluations conducted on or after July 1, 2013, all certificated instructional employees must receive an evaluation in which at least a majority of the evaluation ratings must be based on Professional Practice. All measures included within the Professional Practice portion of the evaluation must be aligned to the Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching Second Edition domains and components. Professional Practice shall include a minimum of two (2) documented observations annually, with at least one (1) observation being completed by January 1 of each year. In situations where certificated personnel are unavailable for two (2) documented classroom observations, due to situations such as long-term illness, late year hire, etc., one (1) documented classroom observation is acceptable. At least one (1) documented summative evaluation must include a rating for all components of the applicable professional standards used for evaluation of certified personnel. District evaluation models shall also include at least one (1) of the following as a measure to inform the Professional Practice portion of all certificated instructional employee evaluations:
   a. Parent/guardian input; (3-20-14)
   b. Student input; and/or (3-20-14)
   c. Portfolios. (3-20-14)

03. Student Achievement. Instructional staff evaluation ratings must in part be based on measurable student achievement, as defined in Section 33-1001, Idaho Code, as applicable to the subjects and grade ranges taught by the instructional staff. All other certificated staff evaluations must include measurable student achievement or student success indicators, as defined in Section 33-1001, Idaho Code, as applicable to the position. This portion of the evaluation may be calculated using current and/or the immediate past year’s data and may use one (1) year or both years’ data. Growth in student achievement may be considered as an optional measure for all other school based and district based staff, as determined by the local board of trustees. (3-29-17)

04. Participants. Each district evaluation policy will include provisions for evaluating all certificated employees identified in Section 33-1001, Idaho Code, Subsection 16. Evaluations shall be differentiated for certificated non-instructional employees and pupil personnel certificate holders in a way that aligns with the Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching Second Edition to the extent possible and aligned to the pupil service staff’s applicable national standards. Policies for evaluating certificated employees should identify the differences, if any, in the conduct of evaluations for nonrenewable contract personnel and renewable contract personnel. (3-20-14)(8-31-17)

05. Evaluation Policy - Content. Local school district policies will include, at a minimum, the
following information:

a. Purpose -- statements that identify the purpose or purposes for which the evaluation is being conducted; e.g., individual instructional improvement, personnel decisions.

b. Evaluation criteria -- statements of the general criteria upon which certificated personnel will be evaluated and rated.

c. Evaluator -- identification of the individuals responsible for appraising, observing or evaluating certificated instructional staff and pupil personnel service staff performance. The individuals assigned this responsibility shall have received training in conducting evaluations based on the statewide framework for evaluations within the immediate previous five (5) years of conducting any evaluations and prior to September 1, 2018, shall demonstrate proof of proficiency in conducting observations and evaluating effective teacher performance by passing a proficiency assessment approved by the State Department of Education as a onetime recertification requirement.

d. Sources of data -- description of the sources of data used in conducting certificated personnel evaluations. For certificated instructional staff, a minimum of two (2) documented classroom observations shall be included as one (1) source of data. At least one (1) of those observations must be completed prior to January 1 of each year. In situations where certificated personnel are unavailable for two (2) documented classroom observations due to situations such as long-term illness, late year hire, etc., one (1) documented classroom observation is acceptable. Parent/guardian input, student input and/or portfolios shall be considered as sources of data to support professional practice.

e. Procedure -- description of the procedure used in the conduct of certificated personnel evaluations.

f. Communication of results -- the method by which certificated personnel are informed of the results of evaluation.

g. Personnel actions -- the action available to the school district as a result of the evaluation and the procedures for implementing these actions; e.g., job status change. Note: in the event the action taken as a result of evaluation is to not renew an individual’s contract or to renew an individual’s contract at a reduced rate, school districts should take proper steps to follow the procedures outlined in Sections 33-513 through 33-515, Idaho Code in order to assure the due process rights of all personnel.

h. Appeal -- the procedure available to the individual for appeal or rebuttal when disagreement exists regarding the results of certificated personnel evaluations.

i. Remediation -- the procedure available to provide remediation in those instances where remediation is determined to be an appropriate course of action.

j. Monitoring and evaluation -- A description of the method used to monitor and evaluate the district’s personnel evaluation system.

k. Professional development and training — a plan for ongoing training for evaluators/administrators and teachers on the district’s evaluation standards, tool and process.

l. Funding — a plan for funding ongoing training and professional development for administrators in evaluation.

m. Collecting and using data -- a plan for collecting and using data gathered from the evaluation tool that will be used to inform professional development. Aggregate data shall be considered as part of the district and individual schools Needs Assessment in determining professional development offerings.

n. Individualizing teacher evaluation rating system -- a plan for how evaluations will be used to identify proficiency and record growth over time and be used to develop individualized professional learning plans.
No later than July 1, 2013, districts shall have established an individualized teacher evaluation rating system with a minimum of three (3) rankings used to differentiate performance of teachers and pupil personnel certificate holders including:

i. Unsatisfactory being equal to “1”; (3-20-14)

ii. Basic being equal to “2”; and (3-20-14)

iii. Proficient being equal to “3”. (3-20-14)

iv. A fourth evaluation rating of Distinguished, being equal to “4,” may be used in addition to the three (3) minimum rankings at the discretion of the school district or charter school. (3-29-17)

Og. A plan for including all stakeholders including, but not limited to, teachers, board members, administrators, and parents in the development and ongoing review of their teacher evaluation plan. (3-20-14)

06. Evaluation Policy - Frequency of Evaluation. The evaluation policy shall include a provision for evaluating all certificated personnel on a fair and consistent basis. (3-20-14)

07. Evaluation Policy - Personnel Records. Permanent records of each certificated personnel evaluation will be maintained in the employee’s personnel file. All evaluation records will be kept confidential within the parameters identified in federal and state regulations regarding the right to privacy (Section 33-518, Idaho Code). Local school districts shall report the rankings of individual certificated personnel evaluations to the State Department of Education annually for State and Federal reporting purposes. The State Department of Education shall ensure that the privacy of all certificated personnel is protected by not releasing statistical data of evaluation rankings in local school districts with fewer than five (5) teachers and by only reporting that information in the aggregate by local school district. (3-20-14)

08. Evaluation System Approval. Each school district board of trustees will develop and adopt policies for teacher and pupil personnel certificated performance evaluation in which criteria and procedures for the evaluation are research based and aligned with the Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching Second Edition and national standards for pupil service staff as applicable. By July 1, 2014, an evaluation plan which incorporates all of the above elements shall be submitted to the State Department of Education for approval. Once approved, subsequent changes made in the evaluation system shall be resubmitted for approval. (3-20-14)

121. LOCAL DISTRICT EVALUATION POLICY – SCHOOL PRINCIPAL ADMINISTRATOR.

All school and school district administrators must receive an annual evaluation. Individuals serving in the role of superintendent or its equivalent shall be evaluated by the local board of trustees. Individuals serving in the capacity of a school district superintendent and principal shall be evaluated based on the school district evaluation policy for superintendents. For principal and other school level administrator evaluations conducted on or after July 1, 2014, each school district board of trustees will develop and adopt policies for principal performance evaluation using multiple measures in which criteria and procedures for the evaluation of administratively certificated personnel serving as school principal or other school level administrators are research based and aligned to the standards and requirements outlined in Subsections 121.01 through 121.07 of this rule. Districts must, at a minimum, pilot such an evaluation during the 2013-2014 school year and report the results of that pilot to the State Department of Education no later than July 1, 2014, in a format determined by the Department. For Special Education Directors, standards aligned with the profession’s national standards may replace those outlined in Subsection 121.01. The process of developing criteria and procedures for principal administrator evaluation will allow opportunities for input from those affected by the evaluation; i.e., trustees, administrators, teachers and parents. The evaluation policy will be a matter of public record and communicated to the principal for whom it is written. (3-20-14)

01. Standards. Each district principal and school level administrator evaluation model shall be aligned to state minimum standards based on the Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium (ISLLC) standards and include proof of proficiency in conducting teacher evaluations using the state’s adopted model framework for evaluations, the Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching Second Edition. Proof of proficiency in evaluating teacher performance shall be required of all individuals assigned the responsibility for appraising, observing, or evaluating certificated personnel performance. Those responsible for measuring teacher performance are district
leadership such as principals, assistant principals, special education directors, and superintendents. Proof of proficiency in evaluating performance shall be demonstrated by passing a proficiency assessment approved by the State Board of Education as a one-time recertification requirement prior to September 1, 2018. Principal evaluation standards shall additionally address the following domains and components:

**Domain 1: School Climate** - An educational leader promotes the success of all students by advocating, nurturing and sustaining a school culture and instructional program conducive to student learning and staff professional development. An educational leader articulates and promotes high expectations for teaching and learning while responding to diverse community interest and needs.

   i. **School Culture** - Principal establishes a safe, collaborative, and supportive culture ensuring all students are successfully prepared to meet the requirements for tomorrow’s careers and life endeavors.

   ii. **Communication** - Principal is proactive in communicating the vision and goals of the school or district, the plans for the future, and the successes and challenges to all stakeholders.

   iii. **Advocacy** - Principal advocates for education, the district and school, teachers, parents, and students that engenders school support and involvement.

**Domain 2: Collaborative Leadership** - An educational leader promotes the success of all students by ensuring management of the organization, operations and resources for a safe, efficient and effective learning environment. In collaboration with others, uses appropriate data to establish rigorous, concrete goals in the context of student achievement and instructional programs. The educational leader uses research and/or best practices in improving the education program.

   i. **Shared Leadership** - Principal fosters shared leadership that takes advantage of individual expertise, strengths, and talents, and cultivates professional growth.

   ii. **Priority Management** - Principal organizes time and delegates responsibilities to balance administrative/managerial, educational, and community leadership priorities.

   iii. **Transparency** - Principal seeks input from stakeholders and takes all perspectives into consideration when making decisions.

   iv. **Leadership Renewal** - Principal strives to continuously improve leadership skills through, professional development, self-reflection, and utilization of input from others.

   v. **Accountability** - Principal establishes high standards for professional, legal, ethical, and fiscal accountability for self and others.

**Domain 3: Instructional Leadership** - An educational leader promotes the success of all students by facilitating the development, articulation, implementation, and stewardship of a vision of learning that is shared and supported by the school community. The educational leader provides leadership for major initiatives and change efforts and uses research and/or best practices in improving the education program.

   i. **Innovation** - Principal seeks and implements innovative and effective solutions that comply with general and special education law.

   ii. **Instructional Vision** - Principal insures that instruction is guided by a shared, research-based instructional vision that articulates what students do to effectively learn.

   iii. **High Expectations** - Principal sets high expectation for all students academically, behaviorally, and in all aspects of student well-being.

   iv. **Continuous Improvement of Instruction** - Principal has proof of proficiency in assessing teacher performance based upon the Charlotte Danielson Framework for Teaching Second Edition. Aligns resources, policies, and procedures toward continuous improvement of instructional practice guided by the instructional vision.
v. Evaluation - Principal uses teacher/principal evaluation and other formative feedback mechanisms to continuously improve teacher/principal effectiveness.

vi. Recruitment and Retention - Principal recruits and maintains a high quality staff.

02. Professional Practice. For evaluations conducted on or after July 1, 2014, all principals must receive an evaluation in which sixty-seven percent (67%) of the summative evaluation results are based on Professional Practice. All measures included within the Professional Practice portion of the evaluation must be aligned to the Domains and Components listed in Subsection 121.01.a. through 121.01.c. of this rule. As a measure to inform the Professional Practice portion of all principal each evaluation, district evaluation models shall also include at least one (1) of the following:

a. Parent/guardian input;

b. Teacher input;

c. Student input; and/or

d. Portfolios.

03. Student Achievement. For evaluations conducted on or after July 1, 2013, all certificated instructional employees, principals and superintendents administrators must receive an evaluation in which at least thirty-three percent (33%) of the summative evaluation results are based on multiple objective measures of growth in student achievement as determined by the board of trustees and based upon research. For evaluations conducted on or after July 1, 2014, growth in student achievement as measured by Idaho's statewide assessment for Federal accountability purposes must be included measurable student achievement, as defined in Section 33-1001, Idaho Code. This portion of the evaluation may be calculated using current and/or the immediate past year’s data and may use one (1) or multiple both years of data. Growth in student achievement may be considered as an optional measure for all other school based and district based staff administrators, as determined by the local board of trustees.

04. Evaluation Policy - Content. For evaluations conducted on or after July 1, 2014, local school district policies will include, at a minimum, the following information:

a. Purpose — statements that identify the purpose or purposes for which the evaluation is being conducted: e.g., individual instructional leadership, personnel decisions.

b. Evaluation criteria -- statements of the general criteria upon which principals administrators will be evaluated.

c. Evaluator -- identification of the individuals responsible for appraising observing or evaluating principal school level administrator performance. The individuals assigned this responsibility shall have received training in administrator evaluations based on the statewide framework for evaluations.

d. Sources of data — description of the sources of data used in conducting principal evaluations. Proficiency in conducting observations and evaluating effective teacher performance shall be included as one (1) source of data.

e. Procedure — description of the procedure used in the conduct of principal evaluations.

f. Communication of results — the method by which principals are informed of the results of evaluation.

g. Personnel actions — the action, available to the school district as a result of the evaluation, and the procedures for implementing these actions; e.g., job status change.
Appeal -- the procedure available to the individual for appeal or rebuttal when disagreement exists regarding the results of an evaluations. (3-20-14)

Remediation — the procedure available to provide remediation in those instances where remediation is determined to be an appropriate course of action. (3-20-14)

Monitoring and evaluation — A description of the method used to monitor and evaluate the district’s principal evaluation system. (3-20-14)

Professional development and training — a plan for ongoing training and professional learning based upon the district’s evaluation standards and process. (3-20-14)

Funding — a plan for funding ongoing training and professional development for evaluators of principals. (3-20-14)

Collecting and using data — a plan for collecting and using data gathered from the evaluation tool that will be used to inform professional development for principals. (3-20-14)

Individualizing principal evaluation rating system — a plan for how evaluations will be used to identify proficiency and record growth over time. No later than July 1, 2014, districts shall have established an individualized principal evaluation rating system with a minimum of three rankings used to differentiate performance of principals including:

i. Unsatisfactory being equal to “1”; (3-20-14)

ii. Basic being equal to “2”; and (3-20-14)

iii. Proficient being equal to “3”. (3-20-14)

iv. A fourth evaluation rating of Distinguished, being equal to “4,” may be used in addition to the three (3) minimum rankings at the discretion of the school district or charter school. (3-29-17)

A plan for including stakeholders including, but not limited to, teachers, board members, administrators, and parents in the development and ongoing review of their principal evaluation plan. (3-20-14)

05. Evaluation Policy - Frequency of Evaluation. The evaluation policy should include a provision for evaluating all principals administrators on a fair and consistent basis. All principals administrators shall be evaluated at least once annually no later than June 1 of each year. (3-29-17)

06. Evaluation Policy - Personnel Records. Permanent records of each principal evaluation will be maintained in the employee’s personnel file. All evaluation records will be kept confidential within the parameters identified in federal and state regulations regarding the right to privacy (Section 33-518, Idaho Code). Local school districts shall report the rankings of individual certificated personnel evaluations to the State Department of Education annually for State and Federal reporting purposes. The State Department of Education shall ensure that the privacy of all certificated personnel is protected by not releasing statistical data of evaluation rankings in local school districts in accordance with the approved policies of the Idaho State Board of Education Data Management Council. (3-29-17)

07. Evaluation System Approval. Each school district board of trustees will develop and adopt policies for principal performance evaluation in which criteria and procedures for the evaluation are research based and aligned with state standards. By July 1, 2014, an evaluation plan which incorporates all of the above elements shall be submitted to the State Department of Education for approval. Once approved, subsequent changes made in the evaluation system shall be resubmitted for approval. (3-20-14)
EFFECTIVE DATE: The effective date of the temporary rule is August 31, 2017.

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5221(1) and 67-5226, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has adopted a temporary rule, and proposed rulemaking procedures have been initiated. The action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2 of the Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-116, and 33-1006, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 18, 2017.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is the required finding and concise statement of its supporting reasons for adopting a temporary rule and a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

IDAPA 08.02.02, Subsections 150 through 190, outline requirements for school district pupil transportation programs as authorized by Section 33-1006, Idaho Code, Transportation Support Program. Senate Bill 1123 (2017) amended Section 33-1006, Idaho Code, removing the prohibition that only allowed reimbursement for transporting students for the purposes of regular school attendance during regular days and hours and added language allowing for the cost of the program to be based on, in part, transportation to and from approved school activities as may be approved by the rules of the State Board of Education, the proposed rule would authorize reimbursement of allowable transportation costs for the purposes of transporting students as part of structured college or university visits.

TEMPORARY RULE JUSTIFICATION: Pursuant to Section 67-5226(1)(b), Idaho Code, the Governor has found that temporary adoption of the rule is appropriate for the following reasons:

The proposed amendments will bring this rule into compliance with the amendments to state law through Senate Bill 1123 (2017).

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: N/A


INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: This rule contains no documents incorporated by reference.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the temporary and proposed rule, contact Tracie Bent at (208) 332-1582 or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding the proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before October 25, 2017.
190. PROGRAM OPERATIONS.
School district fiscal reporting requirements as well as reimbursable and non-reimbursable costs within the Pupil Transportation Support Program, including but not limited to administration, field and activity trips, safety busing, contracting for transportation services, leasing of district-owned buses, insurance, ineligible and non-public school students, ineligible vehicles, capital investments including the purchasing of school buses and equipment, program support and district waiver procedures shall be delineated in Standards for Idaho School Buses and Operations incorporated in Section 004 of these rules. Approved school activities shall include structured college/university visits when such visits are part of the school district college and career advising and mentoring plan. (Section 33-1006, Idaho Code)
AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5221(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2 of the Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-116, 33-118, 33-1201, 33-1201A, 33-1204, 33-1612, and 33-2211, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than October 18, 2017. The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking:

In addition to the standard instructional certificate, IDAPA 08.02.02.015, Educator Credential, outlines the provisions for career technical education instructors and administrators certification requirements. Three levels of occupational specialist certificates exist, Limited Occupational Specialist, Standard Occupational Specialist, and Advanced Occupational Specialist. Individuals entering the field of career technical teaching for the first time receive a Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate, this is a one-time, three-year certificate. At the conclusion of the term of this certificate individuals may apply for either a Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate or an Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate. The standard and advanced certificates are renewable five-year certificates.

Occupational certification may be earned either through a degree based program from one of the approved educator preparation programs in Idaho or through an industry experience based route. The proposed amendments provide clarification to the various certification requirements and provides for additional options to receive occupational specialist certification within the existing routes.

Specific amendments include:

• Clarification that all occupational specialist certificates are approved through the Division of Career Technical Education and additional technical changes to allow for ease of understanding;

• Add an additional option for individuals holding an Administrator Certificate with a Superintendent or Principal endorsement to earn a Career Technical Administrator certificate;

• Increase the minimum age requirement to be eligible for a occupational specialist certificate from 18 to 21;

• Reduce the minimum number of years and or hours of experience necessary to receive an occupational specialist certificate from eight years or 16,000 hours to six years or 12,000 hours; and

• Add a second pathway using a cohort training model for completing a limited occupational specialist certificate and earning a standard occupational specialist certificate.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) during the fiscal year resulting from this rulemaking: N/A

015. IDAHO EDUCATOR CREDENTIAL.
The State Board of Education authorizes the State Department of Education to issue certificates and endorsements to those individuals meeting the specific requirements for each area provided herein. (3-25-16)

01. Standard Instructional Certificate. A Standard Instructional Certificate makes an individual eligible to teach all grades, subject to the grade ranges and subject areas of the valid endorsement(s) attached to the certificate. A standard instructional certificate may be issued to any person who has a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university and who meets the following requirements: (3-29-17)

a. Professional education requirements:

i. Earned a minimum of twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours, in the philosophical, psychological, methodological foundations, instructional technology, and in the professional subject matter, which shall include at least three (3) semester credit hours, or four (4) quarter credit hours, in reading and its application to the content area; (3-29-17)

ii. The required minimum credit hours must include at least six (6) semester credit hours, or nine (9) quarter credit hours, of student teaching in the grade range and subject areas as applicable to the endorsement; and (3-29-17)

b. Completed an approved teacher preparation program and have an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university specifying the grade ranges and subjects for which they are eligible to receive an endorsement in; (3-29-17)

c. Individuals seeking endorsement in a secondary grade (pursuant to section 33-1001, Idaho Code) range must complete preparation in at least two (2) fields of teaching. One (1) of the teaching fields must consist of at
least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours and a second field of teaching consisting of at least twenty (20) semester credit hours, or thirty (30) quarter credit hours. Preparation of not less than forty-five (45) semester credit hours, or sixty-seven (67) quarter credit hours, in a single subject area may be used in lieu of the two (2) teaching field requirements;

(d). Proficiency in areas noted above is measured by completion of the credit hour requirements provided herein. Additionally, each candidate must meet or exceed the state qualifying score on the state board approved content area and pedagogy assessments.

(e). The Standard Instructional Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the certificate.

02. Pupil Personnel Services Certificate. Persons who serve as school counselors, school psychologists, speech-language pathologists, school social workers, school nurses and school audiologists are required to hold the Pupil Personnel Services Certificate, with the respective endorsement(s) for which they qualify.

(a). Counselor Endorsement (K-12). To be eligible for a Pupil Personnel Services Certificate-Endorsed Counselor K-12, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements. The Pupil Personnel Services Certificate with a Counselor endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement.

(i). Hold a master's degree and provide verification of completion of an approved program of graduate study in school counseling from a college or university approved by the Idaho State Board of Education or the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed. The program must include successful completion of seven hundred (700) clock hours of supervised field experience, seventy-five percent (75%) of which must be in a K-12 school setting. This K-12 experience must be in each of the following levels: elementary, middle/junior high, and high school. Previous school counseling experience may be considered to help offset the field experience clock hour requirement; and

(ii). An institutional recommendation is required for a Counselor K-12 Endorsement.

(b). School Psychologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. In order to renew the endorsement, six (6) professional development credits are required every five (5) years. The renewal credit requirement may be waived if the applicant holds a current valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) offered through the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). To be eligible for initial endorsement, a candidate must complete a minimum of sixty (60) graduate semester credit hours which must be accomplished through one (1) of the following options:

(i). Completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, master's degree in education or psychology and completion of an approved thirty (30) semester credit hour, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist Degree program, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;

(ii). Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, master's degree program in School Psychology, and completion of a minimum of twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist;

(iii). Completion of an approved sixty (60) semester credit hour, or ninety (90) quarter credit hour, School Psychology Specialist degree program which did not require a master's degree as a prerequisite, with laboratory experience in a classroom, which may include professional teaching experience, student teaching or special education practicum, and completion of a minimum twelve hundred (1,200) clock-hour internship within a school district under the supervision of the training institution and direct supervision of a certificated school psychologist; and
iv. Earn a current and valid National Certification for School Psychologists (NCSP) issued by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP). (3-25-16)

e. School Nurse Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement may be accomplished through completion of either requirements in Subsections 015.02.c.i. or 015.02.c.ii. in addition to the requirement of Subsection 015.02.c.iii.

i. The candidate must possess a valid nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing, and a baccalaureate degree in nursing, education, or a health-related field from an accredited institution. (3-29-17)

ii. The candidate must possess a valid professional nursing (RN) license issued by the Idaho State Board of Nursing and have completed nine (9) semester credit hours from a university or college in at least three (3) of the following areas:

   (1) Health program management; (3-25-16)
   (2) Child and adolescent health issues; (3-25-16)
   (3) Counseling, psychology, or social work; or (3-25-16)
   (4) Methods of instruction. (3-25-16)

iii. Additionally, each candidate must have two (2) years of full-time (or part-time equivalent) school nursing, community health nursing, or any area of pediatric, adolescent, or family nursing experience. (3-25-16)

d. Interim Endorsement - School Nurse. This endorsement will be granted for those who do not meet the educational and/or experience requirements but who hold a valid professional nursing (RN) license in Idaho. An Interim School Nurse Endorsement will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational requirements, and it is not renewable. (3-25-16)

e. Speech-Language Pathologist Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in a speech/language pathology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

f. Audiology Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credits are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. The initial endorsement will be issued to candidates who possess a master's degree from an accredited college or university in an audiology program approved by the State Board of Education, and who receive an institutional recommendation from an accredited college or university. (3-25-16)

g. School Social Worker Endorsement. This endorsement is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) credit hours are required every five (5) years in order to renew the endorsement. Initial endorsement shall be accomplished by meeting the requirements of Subsections 015.02.g.i. through iii., or by meeting the requirement in Subsection 015.02.g.iv.:

i. A master's degree in social work (MSW) from a postsecondary institution accredited by an organization recognized by the State Board of Education. The program must be currently approved by the state educational agency of the state in which the program was completed; and (3-29-17)

   ii. An institution recommendation from an Idaho State Board of Education approved program; and (3-29-17)

   iii. The successful completion of a school social work practicum in a kindergarten through grade
twelve 12 (K-12) setting. Post-MSW extensive experience working with children and families may be substituted for
the completion of a school social work practicum in a K-12 setting.

iv. A current and valid master’s degree or higher social work license pursuant to chapter 32, title 54
and the rules of the State Board of Social Work Examiners.

h. Interim Endorsement-Speech Language Pathologist. This certificate will be granted for those who
do not meet the educational requirements but who hold a baccalaureate degree in speech language pathology and are
pursuing a master's degree in order to obtain the pupil personnel services certificate endorsed in speech language
pathology. An interim certificate will be issued for three (3) years while the applicant is meeting the educational
requirements, and it is not renewable.

03. Administrator Certificate. Every person who serves as a superintendent, a secondary school
principal, or principal of an elementary school with eight (8) or more teachers (including the principal), or is assigned
administrative duties over and above those commonly assigned to teachers, is required to hold an Administrator
Certificate. The certificate may be endorsed for service as a school principal, a superintendent, or a director of special
education and related services. Assistant superintendents are required to hold the Superintendent endorsement.
Assistant principals or vice-principals are required to hold the Principal endorsement. Applicants for the Director of
Special Education and Related Services endorsement will hold that endorsement on an Administrator Certificate.
Proof of proficiency in evaluating teacher performance shall be required of all Administrator Certificate holders.
Proof of proficiency in evaluating performance shall be demonstrated by passing a proficiency assessment approved
by the State Department of Education as an initial certification requirement. Possession of an Administrator
Certificate does not entitle the holder to serve as a teacher at a grade level for which the educator is not qualified or
certificated. All administrator certificates require candidates to meet the following competencies of the Idaho
Foundation Standards for School Administrators: School Climate, Collaborative Leadership, and Instructional
Leadership. The Administrator Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every
five (5) years in order to renew the certificate.

a. School Principal Endorsement (Pre-K-12). To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed
for School Principal Pre-K-12, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university.

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated experience working with students, Pre-K-12, while
under contract in an accredited school setting.

iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program, or have one (1) year of
experience as an administrator in grades Pre-K-12.

iv. Provide verification of completion of a state-approved program of at least thirty (30) semester
credit hours, forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of graduate study in school administration for the preparation of
school principals at an accredited college or university. This program shall include the competencies of the Idaho
Foundation Standards for School Administrators: School Climate, Collaborative Leadership, and Instructional
Leadership.

v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Principal Pre-K-12 Endorsement.

b. Superintendent Endorsement. To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate with a Superintendent
endorsement, a candidate must have satisfied the following requirements:

i. Hold an education specialist or doctorate degree or complete a comparable post-master's sixth year
program at an accredited college or university.

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with Pre-K-12 students
while under contract in an accredited school setting.
iii. Have completed an administrative internship in a state-approved program for the superintendent endorsement or have one (1) year of out-of-state experience as an assistant superintendent or superintendent in grades Pre-K-12. (3-25-16)

iv. Provide verification of completion of an approved program of at least thirty (30) semester credit hours, or forty-five (45) quarter credit hours, of post-master's degree graduate study for the preparation of school superintendents at an accredited college or university. This program in school administration and interdisciplinary supporting areas shall include the competencies in Superintendent Leadership, in additional to the competencies in the Idaho Foundation Standards for School Administrators: School Climate, Collaborative Leadership, and Instructional Leadership. (3-25-16)

v. An institutional recommendation is required for a School Superintendent Endorsement. (3-25-16)

c. Director of Special Education and Related Services Endorsement (Pre-K-12). To be eligible for an Administrator Certificate endorsed for Director of Special Education and Related Services Pre-K-12, a candidate must have satisfied all of the following requirements:

i. Hold a master's degree from an accredited college or university; (3-25-16)

ii. Have four (4) years of full-time certificated/licensed experience working with students Pre-K-12, while under contract in a school setting; (3-25-16)

iii. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated the competencies of the Idaho Foundation Standards for School Administrators: School Climate, Collaborative Leadership, and Instructional Leadership; (3-25-16)

iv. Obtain college or university verification of demonstrated competencies in the following areas, in addition to the competencies in the Idaho Foundation Standards for School Administrators: Concepts of Least Restrictive Environment; Post-School Outcomes and Services for Students with Disabilities Ages Three (3) to Twenty-one (21); Collaboration Skills for General Education Intervention; Instructional and Behavioral Strategies; Individual Education Programs (IEPs); Assistive and Adaptive Technology; Community-Based Instruction and Experiences; Data Analysis for Instructional Needs and Professional Training; Strategies to Increase Program Accessibility; Federal and State Laws and Regulations and School District Policies; Resource Advocacy; and Technology Skills for Referral Processes, and Record Keeping; (3-25-16)

v. Have completed an administrative internship/practicum in the area of administration of special education and related services; and (3-25-16)

vi. An institutional recommendation is required for Director of Special Education and Related Services Pre-K-12 Endorsement. (3-25-16)

04. Certification Standards For Career Technical Educators. Teachers of career technical courses or programs in secondary or postsecondary schools must hold an occupational specialist certificate and an endorsement in an appropriate occupational discipline. This endorsement may be held on a Standard Instructional Certificate or on an Occupational Specialist Certificate. For postsecondary instructors and administrators, certification fees are set by the State Board for Career Technical Education, and application processes are managed by the Division of Career Technical Education. All occupational certificates must be approved by the division of career technical education regardless of the route an individual is pursuing to receive the certificate. (3-29-17)

05. Degree Based Career Technical Certification. (3-25-16)

a. Individuals graduating from an approved occupational teacher preparation degree program qualify to teach in the following five (5) disciplines:  Agriculture, science and Natural Resources technology, Business Technology Education, Computer Science Technology and Engineering Technology Education, Family and Consumer Sciences. Occupational teacher preparation course work must meet the Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel. The occupational teacher education program must provide appropriate content to constitute a major in the
identified field. Student teaching shall be in an approved program and include experiences in the major field. Applicants shall have accumulated four thousand (4,000) clock hours of related work experience or shall have completed a Division of Career Technical Education approved practicum in their respective field of specialization, as approved by the division of career technical education. The certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules. (3-29-17)

b. The Career Technical Administrator certificate is required for an individual serving as an administrator, director, or manager or coordinator of career technical education programs at the state, secondary or postsecondary level division of career technical education or in Idaho public schools. Individuals must meet one (1) of the two (2) following prerequisites to qualify for the Career Technical Administrator Certificate. Equivalence in each area will be determined on an individual basis by the Division of Career Technical Education. The certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. (3-29-17)

i. Qualify for or hold an Advanced Occupational Specialist certificate or hold an occupational endorsement on a standard instructional certificate with an applicable endorsement; (3-29-17)

ii. Provide evidence of a minimum of four (4) years’ teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical discipline; (3-29-17)

iii. Hold a master’s degree; and (3-25-16)

iv. Complete at least fifteen (15) semester credits of administrative course work. Applicants must have completed credits in: education finance, administration and supervision of personnel, legal aspects of career technical education, administration of personnel, and legal aspects of career technical education, and conducting evaluations using the statewide framework for teacher evaluations that includes a laboratory component. Additional course work may be selected from any of the following areas: administration and supervision of occupational programs; instructional supervision; administration internship; curriculum development; curriculum evaluation; research in curriculum; school community relations; communication; teaching the adult learner; coordination of work-based learning programs; and/or measurement and evaluation. (3-29-17)

v. To renew the Career Technical Administrator Certificate, individuals are required to complete six (6) semester hours of related course work or meet renewal requirements for career technical instructional staff. (3-29-17)

vi. Hold a superintendent or principal (pre-K-12) endorsement on a standard administrator certificate and provide evidence of a minimum of four (4) years’ teaching, three (3) of which must be in a career technical discipline or successfully complete the division of career technical education twenty-seven (27) month Idaho career technical education leadership institute. (3-29-17)

c. Work-Based Learning Coordinator Endorsement. Educators assigned to coordinate approved work-based experiences must hold the Work-Based Learning Coordinator endorsement. To be eligible, applicants must hold an occupational endorsement on the Standard Instructional Certificate or qualify for an Occupational Specialist Certificate, plus complete course work in coordination of work-based learning programs. (3-29-17)

d. Career Counselor Endorsement. The endorsement for a Career Counselor may be issued to applicants who hold a current Pupil Personnel Services Certificate-Endorsed with a School Counselor K-12 endorsement and who have satisfied the following career technical requirement: Career Pathways and Career Technical Guidance; Principles/Foundations of Career Technical Education; and Theories of Occupational Choice. (3-25-16)

06. **Industry Based Occupational Specialist Certificate.** The industry based Occupational Specialist Certificates are industry based career technical certifications issued in lieu of a degree based career technical certificate. Certificate holders must meet the following eligibility requirements: (2-29-17)

a. Be eighteen (18) at least twenty-two (22) years of age; document full-time, successful, recent, gainful employment in the area for which certification is requested; possess either a high school diploma or General
Educational Development (GED) certificate; meet provisions of Idaho Code; and, verify technical skills through work experience, industry certification or testing as listed below. When applicable, requirements of occupationally related state agencies must also be met. Since educational levels and work experiences vary, applicants may be determined highly qualified under any one (1) of the following three (3) options:

i. Have eight (8) six (6) years or sixteen (16) thousand (16,000) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation for which certification is requested. Up to forty-eight (48) months credit or up to eight thousand (8,000) hours can be counted toward the eight (8) six (6) years or twelve thousand (12,000) hours on a month-to-month basis for journeyman training or completed postsecondary training in a career technical education program; or

(ii) Have a baccalaureate degree in the specific occupation or related area, plus three (3) two (2) years or six four thousand (6,400) hours of recent, gainful employment in the occupation for which certification is required, at least half of which must have been during the immediate previous five (5) years; or

(iii. Meet one (1) of the following:

(1) Be a journeyman with Have completed a formal apprenticeship program in the occupation or related area for which certification is requested plus two (2) years or four thousand (4,000) hours of recent, full-time, gainful, related work experience, or have completed a formal apprenticeship program in the occupation or related area for which certification is requested at least half of which must have been completed in the immediate previous five (5) years. The apprenticeship must be under the direction of an employer and the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training or an approved state apprenticeship agency;

(2) Pass an approved state or national certification examination plus three (3) two (2) years of recent, gainful, related work experience (length and type of work experience will be determined on an individual basis); or

(3) Pass approved industry related certification for skill level requirements (vendor and industry specific) plus three (3) years of recent, gainful, related work experience (length and type of work experience will be determined on an individual basis). If no competency test exists, a written recommendation from a representative occupational advisory council/committee and recorded in its minutes is required to verify occupational competence.

b. Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who are new to teaching in Idaho public schools or new to teaching in career technical education in Idaho public schools. The certificate is an interim certificate and is valid for three (3) years and is non-renewable. Applicants must meet all of the minimum requirements established in Subsection 015.06.a. of these rules. Individuals on a limited occupational specialist certificate must complete one (1) of the two (2) following pathways during the validity period of the certificate:

i. Within the first eighteen (18) months, the holder must complete the pre-service workshop sponsored by the Division of Career Technical Education and an approved course in career technical methods and student assessment; or

ii. Complete a new teacher induction workshop at the state or district level;

Pathway I - Coursework: Within the three-year (3) period of the Limited Occupational Specialist Certificate, the instructor must satisfactorily complete the pre-service training prescribed by the division of career technical education and demonstrate competencies in Principles, Foundations of Occupational Education and Teaching, Occupational Education and Curriculum Development; and Measurement and Evaluation.

Pathway II – Cohort Training: Within the first twelve (12) months, the holder must enroll in the division of career technical education sponsored two (2) year cohort training and complete the two (2) training within the three (3) year validity period of the interim certificate;
c. Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who have held a limited occupational specialist certificate and completed one (1) of the pathways for completions.

i. Completed the pre-service workshop sponsored by the Division of Career Technical Education and an approved course in career technical methods and student assessment; and (3-29-17)

ii. Completed a new-teacher induction workshop at the state or district level; and (3-29-17)

iii. Can satisfactorily demonstrate competencies in Principles/Foundations of Occupational Education and Methods of Teaching Occupational Education; and (3-29-17)

iv. Can demonstrate competencies in two (2) of the following areas: Career Pathways and Guidance; Analysis, Integration, and Curriculum Development; and Measurement and Evaluation; and (3-29-17)

v. The Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years and must be renewed pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. Credit equivalencies will be based on verification of one hundred twenty (120) hours of approved related work experience or forty-five (45) hours of participation at approved technical conferences, institutes, or workshops where participation is prorated at the rate of fifteen (15) hours per credit; or one hundred twenty (120) hours of approved related work experience where hours worked may be prorated at the rate of forty (40) hours per credit, or any equivalent combination thereof, and having on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period. Work experience may be prorated at the rate of forty (40) hours per credit. Technical conference, institutes, or workshop participation may be prorated at the rate of fifteen (15) hours per credit. (3-29-17)

d. Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate. This certificate is issued to individuals who:

i. Meet the requirements Are eligible for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate; (3-29-17)

ii. Provide evidence of completion of a teacher training degree program or eighteen (18) semester credits of division of career technical education approved education or content related course work, such as educational methodology in the content area, in addition to the twelve (12) semester credits required for the Standard Occupational Specialist Certificate (a total of thirty (30) semester credits); and (3-29-17)

iii. Have on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period; and (3-25-16)

iv. The Advanced Occupational Specialist Certificate is valid for five (5) years. Six (6) semester credit hours are required every five (5) years and must be renewed pursuant to Section 060 of these rules to renew. At least three (3) educationally focused semester credits must be taken for university or college credit. Verification will be based on an official transcript. In addition to the minimum of three (3) semester credits, in-service activities or related work experience may be used. Credit equivalencies will be based on verification of one hundred twenty (120) hours of approved related work experience or forty-five (45) hours of participation at approved technical conferences, institutes and workshops or any equivalent combination thereof, and having on file a new professional development plan for the next certification period. Work experience may be prorated at the rate of forty (40) hours per credit. Technical conference, institutes, or workshop participation may be prorated at the rate of fifteen (15) hours per credit. (3-29-17)

07. Postsecondary Specialist. A Postsecondary Specialist certificate will be granted to a current academic faculty member whose primary employment is with any accredited Idaho postsecondary institution. To be eligible to teach in the public schools under this postsecondary specialist certificate, the candidate must supply a recommendation from the employing institution (faculty’s college dean). The primary use of this state-issued certificate will be for distance education, virtual classroom programs, and for public and postsecondary partnerships. (3-29-17)
a. Renewal. This certificate is good for five (5) years and is renewable. To renew the certificate, the renewal application must be accompanied with a new written recommendation from the postsecondary institution (faculty's college dean level or higher). (3-25-16)

b. Fees. The fee is the same as currently in effect for an initial or renewal certificate as established in Section 066 of these rules. (3-25-16)

c. The candidate must meet the following qualifications:

i. Hold a master's degree or higher in the content area being taught; (3-25-16)

ii. Be currently employed by the postsecondary institution in the content area to be taught; and (3-25-16)

iii. Complete and pass a criminal history background check as required according to Section 33-130, Idaho Code. (3-25-16)

08. American Indian Language. Each Indian tribe shall provide to the State Department of Education the names of those highly and uniquely qualified individuals who have been designated to teach the tribe's native language in accordance with Section 33-1280, Idaho Code. Individuals identified by the tribe(s) may apply for an Idaho American Indian Certificate as American Indian languages teachers. (3-25-16)

a. The Office of Indian Education at the State Department of Education will process an application that has met the requirements of the Tribe(s) for an American Indian languages teacher. (3-25-16)

b. Once an application with Tribal approval has been received, it will be reviewed and, if approved, it will be forwarded to the Office of Certification for a criminal history background check as required in Section 33-130, Idaho Code. The application must include a ten finger fingerprint card or scan and a fee for undergoing a criminal history check pursuant to Section 33-130, Idaho Code. (3-25-16)

c. The Office of Certification will review the application and verify the applicant is eligible for an Idaho American Indian Certificate. The State Department of Education shall authorize an eligible applicant as an American Indian languages teacher. An Idaho American Indian Certificate is valid for not more than five (5) years. Individuals may apply for a renewal certificate. (3-25-16)

09. Junior Reserved Officer Training Corps (Junior ROTC) Instructors. (3-25-16)

a. Each school district with a Junior ROTC program shall provide the State Department of Education with a list of the names of those individuals who have completed an official armed forces training program to qualify as Junior ROTC instructors in high schools. (3-25-16)

b. Each school district with a Junior ROTC program shall provide the State Department of Education with a notarized copy of their certificate(s) of completion. (3-25-16)

c. Authorization Letter. Upon receiving the items identified in Subsections 015.09.a. and b., the State Department of Education shall issue a letter authorizing these individuals as Junior ROTC instructors. (3-29-17)

10. Additional Renewal Requirements. In addition to specific certificate or endorsement renewal requirements, applicants must meet the following renewal requirements as applicable: (3-25-16)

a. Mathematics In-Service Program. In order to recertify, the state approved mathematics instruction course titled “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction”, or another State Department of Education approved alternative course, shall be required. The “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction” course consists of three (3) credits. Teachers must take one (1) of the three (3) courses developed that is most closely aligned with their current assignment. Any teacher successfully completing said course shall be deemed to have met the requirement of Subsection 060.02.c. of this rule as long as said course is part of an official transcript or completed before September 1, 2013, and verified by
the State Department of Education. Successful completion of a state approved mathematics instruction course shall be a one-time requirement for renewal of certification for those currently employed in an Idaho school district and shall be included within current requirements for continuing education for renewal. The following must successfully complete the “Mathematical Thinking for Instruction” course or another State Department of Education approved alternative course in order to recertify:

(3-29-17)

i. Each teacher holding an Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education Blended endorsement (Birth - Grade 3) who is employed by a school district or charter school as a K-3 multi-subject or special education teacher;

(3-29-17)

ii. Each teacher holding a Standard Instructional Certificate (K-8) who is employed by a school district or charter school as a K-6 multi-subject teacher;

(3-29-17)

iii. Each teacher holding a Standard Instructional Certificate (6-12) teaching in a mathematics content classroom (grade six (6) through grade twelve (12)) including Title I who is employed by a school district or charter school; and

(3-29-17)

iv. Each teacher holding a Standard Exceptional Child Generalist Endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school as a special education teacher.

(3-29-17)

v. Each school administrator coming from out-of-state holding an Administrator Certificate who is employed by a school district or charter school.

(3-29-17)

b. Waiver of Mathematics In-Service Program. When applying for certificate renewal, an automatic waiver of the mathematics in-service program requirement shall be granted for any certificated individual living outside of the state of Idaho who is not currently employed as an educator in the state of Idaho. This waiver applies only as long as the individual remains outside the state of Idaho or as long as the individual is not employed as an educator in the state of Idaho. Upon returning to Idaho or employment in an Idaho public school, the educator will need to complete this requirement prior to the next renewal period.

(3-25-16)

c. Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course. In order to recertify, a state approved Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course shall be required. Successful completion of a state approved Idaho Comprehensive Literacy course shall be a one-time requirement for renewal of certification for those currently employed in an Idaho school district and shall be included within current requirements for continuing education for renewal. The following individuals must successfully complete an Idaho Comprehensive Literacy course in order to recertify:

(3-25-16)

i. Each teacher holding an Early Childhood/Early Childhood Special Education Blended Endorsement (Birth - Grade 3) who is employed by a school district or charter school;

(3-29-17)

ii. Each teacher holding a Standard Instructional Certificate (K-8) who is employed by a school district or charter school; and

(3-29-17)

iii. Each teacher holding a Standard Exceptional Child Generalist Endorsement who is employed by a school district or charter school.

(3-29-17)

d. Administrator certificate renewal. In order to recertify, holders of an administrator certificate must complete a course consisting of a minimum of three (3) semester credits in the Idaho framework for teachers’ evaluation pursuant to Section 33-1204, Idaho Code. Credits must be earned through an approved teacher preparation program and include a laboratory component. The laboratory component must include in-person or video observation and scoring of teacher performance using the statewide framework for teacher’s evaluation.

(3-29-17)