## Professional Personnel

## **5:190 Teacher Qualifications**

A teacher, as the term is used in this Policy, refers to a Cooperative employee who is required to be licensed under State law. Each teacher must:

- a. Have a valid Illinois Professional Educator License issued by the State Superintendent of Education with the required endorsements as provided in the School Code.
- b. Provide the Cooperative Office with a complete transcript of credits earned in institutions of higher education.
- c. On or before September 1 of each year, unless otherwise provided in an applicable collective bargaining agreement, provide the Cooperative Office with a transcript of any credits earned since the date the last transcript was filed.
- d. Notify the Executive Director of any change in the teacher's transcript.

The Executive Director or designee shall:

- 1. Monitor compliance with State and federal law requirements that teachers be appropriately licensed; and
- 2. Through incentives for voluntary transfers, professional development, recruiting programs, or other effective strategies, ensure that minority students and students from low-income families are not taught at higher rates than other students by unqualified, out-of-field, or inexperienced teachers.

LEGAL REF.:

20 U.S.C. §6312(e)(1)(A).

105 ILCS 5/10-20.15, 5/21B-15, 5/21B-20, 5/21B-25, and 5/24-23.

23 III.Admin.Code §1.610 et seq., §1.705 et seq., and Part 25.

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