

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD
14 DE Admin. Code 106
Statutory Authority: 14 Delaware Code,
Section 122(e) (14 Del.C. §122(d))**

REGULATORY IMPLEMENTING ORDER

FINAL

Regulations 1528, 1529, 1533, 1537, and 1558

I. Summary Of The Evidence And Information Submitted

The Professional Standards Board, acting in cooperation and consultation with the Department of Education, seeks the consent of the State Board of Education to amend **DE Admin. Code** 1528 Standard Certificate – Foreign Language Teacher Comprehensive; 1529 Standard Certificate – Foreign Language Teacher Secondary; 1533 Standard Certificate – Foreign Language Teacher Elementary; 1537 Standard Certificate – Bilingual Teacher (Spanish) Secondary; and 1558 Standard Certificate – Bilingual Teacher (Spanish) Elementary/Middle. These regulations apply to the requirements for Standard Certificates for Foreign Language and Bilingual Teachers as established by 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a). The amendments to these regulations are necessary to reflect the adoption of PRAXIS™ II qualifying scores for Delaware educators. In addition, course requirements and requirements for acquisition of foreign languages by teachers were revised.

Notice of the proposed amendment of the regulations was published in the News Journal and the Delaware State News on April 4, 2004, in the form hereto attached as Exhibit “A”. The notice invited written comments. No comments were received.

II. Findings Of Facts

The Professional Standards Board and the State Board of Education find that it is appropriate to amend these regulations to comply with changes in statute regarding the licensure and certification of educators.

III. Decision To Adopt The Regulation

For the foregoing reasons, the Professional Standards Board and the State Board of Education conclude that it is appropriate to amend the regulations. Therefore, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1205(b), the regulation attached hereto as Exhibit “B” is hereby adopted. Pursuant to the provision of 14 **Del.C.** §122(e), the regulation hereby amended shall be in effect for a period of five years from the effective date of this order as set forth in Section V. below.

IV. Text And Citation

The text of the regulation amended shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit “B”, and said regulation shall be cited as 14 **DE Admin.** Code 1528, 1529, 1533, 1537, and 1558 in the *Administrative Code of Regulations* for the Department of Education.

V. Effective Date Of Order

The effective date of this Order shall be ten (10) days from the date this Order is published in the Delaware Register of Regulations.

APPROVED BY THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD THE 3RD DAY OF JUNE, 2004

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FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:
Valerie A. Woodruff, Secretary of Education

IT IS SO ORDERED This 17th Day Of June, 2004

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1528 Standard Certificate Foreign Language Teacher Comprehensive

1.0 Content

This regulation shall apply to the requirements for a standard certificate, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), for Foreign Language Teacher Comprehensive (Grades K-12).

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

2.0 Definitions

2.1 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"**Department**" means the Delaware Department of Education.

"**License**" means a credential which authorizes the holder to engage in the practice for which the license is issued.

"**Standard Certificate**" means a credential issued to certify that an educator has the prescribed knowledge, skill, and/or education to practice in a particular area, teach a particular subject, or teach a category of students.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

3.0 In accordance with 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), the Department shall issue a standard certificate as a foreign language teacher comprehensive to an applicant who holds a valid Delaware initial, continuing, or advanced license; or standard or professional status certificate issued by the Department prior to August 31, 2003, and who meets the following requirements:

3.1 Bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited college or university and,

3.2 Professional Education

3.2.1 Completion of an approved teacher education program in Elementary and Secondary Foreign Language Teaching in the language to be taught or,

3.2.2 A minimum of 27 semester hours to include Human Development, Methods of Teaching Foreign Language ~~at the Elementary School Level, Methods of Teaching Foreign Language at the Secondary School Level~~ (methods courses to include second language acquisition), Identifying and Treating Exceptionalities, Effective Teaching Strategies, Multicultural Education; Second Language Assessment and Testing; Curriculum and Material Design; and,

~~3.3 Specific Teaching Field~~

~~3.3.1.3~~ Major in the language to be taught, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively* or,

~~3.3.2~~ Completion of an approved teacher education program in the language to be taught, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is

~~spoken natively* or,~~

~~3.3.3~~3.3.2.4 A minimum of 30 semester hours above the intermediate level in the language to be taught, or 24 semester hours above the intermediate level in the language to be taught if the teacher has earned 30 semester hours in another language, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively* or,

3.3.2.5 Demonstrated fluency in the language to be taught as determined by passing scores on the PRAXIS II tests in that language, as adopted by the Standards Board and the State Board (when validated) and an Advanced Low Level plus score on the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview and verification of study (at least as extensive as that noted above) in a country or community in which the foreign language is spoken natively.*

* Persons not meeting the requirement for study abroad upon employment shall fulfill the requirement within three years. Through 3.3.4 an individual can meet the requirement for study abroad by demonstrating that he/she grew up and was educated in a country or an ethnic community (such as a China Town or Spanish Harlem) where the target language is the dominant language.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

4.0 This regulation shall be effective through June 30, 2006 only. Applicants who apply for a standard certificate as a foreign language teacher - comprehensive after that date must comply with the requirements set forth in 14 **Del.C.** §1516.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

1529 Standard Certificate Foreign Language Teacher - Secondary

1.0 Content:

This regulation shall apply to the requirements for a standard certificate, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), for Foreign Language Teacher - Secondary (required in grades 9-12, and valid in grades 5-8 in a middle level school).

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

2.0 Definitions

2.1 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"**Department**" means the Delaware Department of Education.

"**License**" means a credential which authorizes the holder to engage in the practice for which the license is issued.

"**Standard Certificate**" means a credential issued to certify that an educator has the prescribed knowledge, skill, and/or education to practice in a particular area, teach a particular subject, or teach a category of students.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

3.0 In accordance with 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), the Department shall issue a standard certificate as a foreign language teacher - secondary to an applicant who holds a valid Delaware initial, continuing, or advanced license; or standard or professional status certificate issued by the Department prior to August 31, 2003, and who meets the following requirements:

3.1 Bachelor's degree from an regionally accredited college or university and,

3.2 Professional Education

3.2.1 Completion of an approved teacher education program in the language to be taught or,

3.2.2 A minimum of 24 semester hours to include Human Development, Methods of Teaching Foreign Language, Identifying/Treating Exceptionalities, Effective Teaching Strategies, Multicultural Education, Second Language Assessment and Testing, Curriculum and Material Design; and

~~3.3~~ Specific Teaching Field

~~3.3.1~~3.3.2.3 Major in the language to be taught, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively*₁ or,

~~3.3.2~~Completion of an approved teacher education program in the language to be taught, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively* or,

~~3.3.3~~3.3.2.4 Minimum of up to 30 semester hours above the intermediate level for the language to be taught, or 24 semester hours above the intermediate level in the language to be taught if the teacher holds 30 semester hours in another language, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively* or,

3.3.4.5 Demonstrated fluency in the language to be taught as determined by passing scores on the PRAXIS II tests in that language, as adopted by the Standards Board and the State Board (when validated) and, an Advanced Low Level plus score on the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview and verification of study (at least as extensive as that noted above) in a country or community in which the foreign language is spoken natively.*

* Persons not meeting the requirement for study abroad upon employment shall fulfill the requirement within three years. Through 3.3.4, an individual can meet the requirement for study abroad by demonstrating that he/she grew up and was educated in a country or an ethnic community (such as a China Town or Spanish Harlem) where the target language is the dominant language.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

4.0 This regulation shall be effective through June 30, 2006 only. Applicants who apply for a standard certificate as a foreign language teacher - secondary after that date must comply with the requirements set forth in 14 Del.C. §1516.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

1533 Standard Certificate Foreign Language Teacher - Elementary

1.0 Content

This regulation shall apply to the requirements for a standard certificate, pursuant to 14 Del.C. §1220(a), for Foreign Language Teacher - Elementary (required in grades K-6, and valid in grades 7-8 in a middle level school).

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

2.0 Definitions

2.1 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"**Department**" means the Delaware Department of Education.

"**License**" means a credential which authorizes the holder to engage in the practice for which the license is issued.

"**Standard Certificate**" means a credential issued to certify that an educator has the prescribed knowledge, skill, and/or education to practice in a particular area, teach a particular subject, or teach a category of students.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

3.0 In accordance with 14 Del.C. §1220(a), the Department shall issue a standard certificate as a foreign language teacher elementary to an applicant who holds a valid Delaware initial, continuing, or advanced license; or standard or professional status certificate issued by the Department prior to August 31, 2003, and who meets the following requirements:

3.1 Bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited college or university and,

3.2 Professional Education

3.2.1 Completion of an approved teacher education program in Elementary Education/Foreign Language in the language to be taught; or,

3.2.2 Completion of an approved teacher education program in elementary education and,

3.2.2.1 A minimum of 6 semester hours in foreign language education to include Methods of Teaching Foreign Language at the Elementary School Level and Second Language Acquisition and,

3.2.2.2 Demonstrated knowledge of the culture in which the language is spoken natively including significant personal connection with that culture through life or work experience or appropriate course work in the culture; or and,

3.2.3 Completion of an approved secondary teacher education program in the language to be taught and,

3.2.3.1 A minimum of 6 semester hours in foreign language education to include Methods of Teaching Foreign Language at the Elementary School Level and Second Language acquisition and,

3.2.3.2 A minimum of 24 semester hours to include Child/Human Development, Methods of Teaching Foreign Language at the Elementary School Level including Second Language Acquisition, Identifying/Treating Exceptionalities, Effective Teaching Strategies, Multicultural Education, and,

3.3 Specific Teaching Field

3.3.1 Major in the language to be taught, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one

summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively* or,

3.3.2 Completion of an approved teacher education program in the language to be taught, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively* or,

3.3.3 A minimum of 30 semester hours above the intermediate level in the language to be taught, or 24 semester hours above the intermediate level in the language to be taught if the teacher has earned 30 semester hours in another language, including at least one semester, one winter session, or one summer session of study in a country in which the foreign language is spoken natively* or,

3.3.4 Demonstrated fluency in the language to be taught as determined by passing scores on the PRAXIS II tests in that language, as adopted by the Standards Board and the State Board, (when validated) and an Advanced Low Level plus score on the ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview and verification of study (at least as extensive as that noted above) in a country or community in which the foreign language is spoken natively*.

*Persons not meeting the requirement for study abroad upon employment shall fulfill the requirement within three years. Through 3.3.4, an individual can meet the requirement for study abroad by demonstrating that he/she grew up and was educated in a community (such as a China Town or Spanish Harlem) where the target language is the dominant language.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

4.0 This regulation shall be effective through June 30, 2006 only. Applicants who apply for a standard certificate as a foreign language teacher - elementary after that date must comply with the requirements set forth in **14 DE Admin. Code 1516.**

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

1537 Standard Certificate Bilingual Teacher (Spanish) Secondary

1.0 Content

This regulation shall apply to the requirements for a standard certificate, pursuant to **14 Del.C. §1220(a)**, for Bilingual Teacher (Spanish) B Secondary.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

2.0 Definitions

2.1 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"**Department**" means the Delaware Department of Education.

"**License**" means a credential which authorizes the holder to engage in the practice for which the license is issued.

"**Standard Certificate**" means a credential issued to certify that an educator has the prescribed knowledge, skill, and/or education to practice in a particular area, teach a particular subject, or teach a category of students.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

3.0 In accordance with **14 Del.C. §1220(a)**, the Department shall issue a standard certificate as a bilingual teacher (Spanish) - Secondary to an applicant who holds a valid Delaware initial, continuing, or advanced license; or standard or professional status certificate issued by the Department prior to August 31, 2003, and who meets the following requirements:

3.1 A Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and completion of a teacher education program in Bilingual Education ~~at the Secondary Level (grades 7-12)~~ in the Language area of Spanish.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

4.0 If the candidate does not meet the requirements in 3.0 the following shall apply:

4.1 Complete the required course work in a teacher education program at the secondary level (grades 7-12) in a content area such as Biology, English or Special Education plus the following:

4.1.1 Verification of language proficiency in Spanish as demonstrated by one of the two options below:

4.1.1.1 Completion of a minimum of 15 semester hours from a regionally accredited college in the language area of Spanish. This course work shall be at or above the intermediate level; and demonstration of oral proficiency in the language area of Spanish ~~by scoring 165 on the PRAXIS II Test Module: Productive Language (0192);~~ as adopted by the Standards Board and the State Board; or

4.1.1.2 Demonstration of content knowledge and oral proficiency in the language area of Spanish by

meeting the appropriate qualifying scores on the PRAXIS II Tests, as adopted by the Standards Board and the State Board Modules as follows: ~~159 on Spanish: Content and Knowledge (0191) and 165 on Spanish: Productive Language (0192); and~~

4.1.2 Demonstration of English speaking ability, when English is not the first language, by scoring 50 on the TOEFL: Test of Spoken English (TSE) and

4.1.3 In addition to 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 all candidates must meet the following requirements:

4.1.3.1 Completion of course work as indicated:

4.1.3.1.13 semester hours Methods of Teaching English as a Second Language;

4.1.3.1.23 semester hours Second Language Testing;

4.1.3.1.33 semester hours [~~Remedial Corrective~~ **Remedial Corrective**] Reading (English); or 3 semester hours [~~Remedial Corrective~~ **Remedial Corrective**] Reading (Spanish); and

4.1.3.2 Verification of knowledge of the Spanish culture as demonstrated by:

4.1.3.2.1A three (3) semester hour course in Spanish culture; or documentation of personal interaction with the target community via study abroad, work experience, formative experience, etc.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

5.0 This regulation shall be effective through June 30, 2006 only. Applicants who apply for a standard certificate as a bilingual teacher (Spanish) - Secondary after that date must comply with the requirements set forth in 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1516.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

1558 Standard Certificate Bilingual Teacher (Spanish) Primary/Middle Level

1.0 Content

This regulation shall apply to the requirements for a standard certificate, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), for Bilingual Teacher (Spanish) Primary/Middle Level (K-8).

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

2.0 Definitions

2.1 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"**Department**" means the Delaware Department of Education.

"**License**" means a credential which authorizes the holder to engage in the practice for which the license is issued.

"**Standard Certificate**" means a credential issued to certify that an educator has the prescribed knowledge, skill, and/or education to practice in a particular area, teach a particular subject, or teach a category of students.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

3.0 In accordance with 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), the Department shall issue a standard certificate as a bilingual teacher (Spanish) Primary/Middle to an applicant who holds a valid Delaware initial, continuing, or advanced license; or standard or professional status certificate issued by the Department prior to August 31, 2003, and who meets the following requirements:

3.1 A Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university and completion of a teacher education program in Elementary, Primary or Middle Level (grade configurations K-8) Bilingual Education in the Language Area of Spanish.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

4.0 If the candidate does not meet the requirements in 3.0 the following shall apply:

4.1 Complete the required course work in a teacher education program in Elementary, Primary or Middle Level (grade configurations K-8) Regular Education plus provide the following:

4.1.1 Verification of language proficiency in Spanish as demonstrated by one of the two options below:

4.1.1.1 Completion of a minimum of 15 semester hours from a regionally accredited college in the language area of Spanish. This course work shall be at or above the intermediate level; and Demonstration of oral proficiency in the language area of Spanish by meeting the appropriate qualifying score on the PRAXIS II Tests, as adopted by the Standards Board and the State Board; scoring 165 on the PRAXIS II Test Module: Productive

Language (0192); or

4.1.1.2 Demonstration of content knowledge and oral proficiency in the language area of Spanish by meeting the appropriate qualifying scores on the PRAXIS II Test Modules as follows:

4.1.1.2.1159 on Spanish: Content and Knowledge (0191) and

4.1.1.2.2165 on Spanish: Productive Language (0192); and

4.1.2.1.1.2 Demonstration of English speaking ability, when English is not the first language, by scoring 50 on the TOEFL: Test of Spoken English (TSE) and

4.1.3.2 In addition to 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 all candidates must meet the following requirements:

4.1.3.2.1 Completion of course work as indicated:

4.1.3.2.1.1 3 semester hours Methods of Teaching English as a Second Language;

4.1.3.2.1.2 3 semester hours Second Language Testing;

4.1.3.2.1.3 3 semester hours **[Remedial Corrective]** Reading (English); or

4.1.3.2.1.4 3 semester hours **[Remedial Corrective]** Reading (Spanish); and

4.1.3.2.2 Verification of knowledge of the Spanish culture as demonstrated by:

4.1.3.2.2.1 A three (3) semester hour course in Spanish culture; or

4.1.3.2.2.2 Documentation of personal interaction with the target community via study abroad, work experience, formative experience, etc.; and

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

5.0 This regulation shall be effective through June 30, 2006 only. Applicants who apply for a standard certificate as a bilingual teacher (Spanish) primary/middle level after that date must comply with the requirements set forth in 14 DE Admin. Code 1516.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03)

8 DE Reg. 80 (7/1/04)