



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

To: Indiana State Board of Education

From: Chad E. Ranney, Sr. Director – Policy & Legislative Affairs

Date: December 4, 2019

RE: Approval of Proposed Rule – Amendments to Certificate of Multilingual Proficiency

Recommendation: Approve the Proposed Rule concerning the criteria for obtaining a certificate of multilingual proficiency.

The Proposed Rule amends 511 IAC 20-2-1 (Certificate of Multilingual Proficiency – Criteria for Obtaining a Certificate of Multilingual Proficiency) and updates the existing regulatory language to account for changes made to Indiana’s high school graduation requirements.

Once the Proposed Rule is approved, Board staff will proceed with the rulemaking process. The rulemaking process shall proceed as follows:

- Board staff will seek a waiver from the Regulatory Moratorium as required by Financial Management Circular 2015-1 and Executive Order 13-03.
- Once a waiver is obtained, the Proposed Rule will be published in the Indiana Register.
- Public comments will be accepted.
- Board staff will conduct a public hearing.
- Public comments and suggested edits will be presented to the Board for the Board’s consideration.
- The Board will vote to approve the Final Rule.

511 IAC 20-2-1 Criteria for obtaining a certificate of multilingual proficiency

Authority: IC 20-30-14.5

Affected: IC 20-30-14.5

Sec. 1. (a) In order to earn the certificate, a student must meet the following criteria:

(1) Earn eight (8) credits in English and language arts.

(2) Earn six (6) credits in a single world language.

(3) **Pass Complete** the following: ~~assessments:~~

(A) ~~The ISTEP+ English 10 graduation exam.~~ **Earn a score greater than or equal to the proficiency benchmark established by the commission for higher education on the English/language arts portions of the nationally recognized college entrance exam required under IC 20-32-5.1-7(e).**

(B) **Pass A** a state board approved assessment of the world language.

(b) Students who enroll in school already proficient in a world language may satisfy the requirements of this section through a demonstration of proficiency on state board approved assessment of the world language. Students who demonstrate a proficiency in a world language on a state board approved assessment may bypass the requirement contained in (a)(2) of this section [subsection (a)(2)] and shall be awarded six (6) credits in the world language in which the student has been deemed proficient.

(c) The department shall prepare and keep a proposed list of standardized assessments of world languages for the state board's approval. This list shall be updated periodically as needed. *(Indiana State Board of Education; 511 IAC 20-2-1; filed Sep 16, 2016, 4:55 p.m.: 20161012-IR-511150283FRA)*