



## Indiana Department of Education

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To: Indiana State Board of Education

From: Scott Bogan, Director of Higher Education and Educator Preparation Programs

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Subject: Extending State Accreditation – Indiana Council of Administrators of Special Education (ICASE)

The Indiana Council of Administrators of Special Education (ICASE) will be pursuing national accreditation status from the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) or the Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation (AAQEP). New educator preparation programs, such as ICASE, must operate for a few years to ensure sufficient enrollment and program completion data necessary to assess program quality. Extending their state accreditation will ensure a quality review with sufficient data.

**Action Needed from the State Board of Education (SBOE):** The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) requests that SBOE approve continued state accreditation for ICASE through fall 2029. Approval status is subject to the results of both the onsite accreditation visit and ongoing science of reading review process (i.e., Indiana Code [IC] 20-28-3-3.1). Programs not meeting guidelines identified in this legislation will have their accreditation status revoked.