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**ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
 Educator Certification Division  
 100 North First Street, S-306  
 Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001



**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OR RENEWAL AS AN EDUCATIONAL INTERPRETER**

**Directions:** Please print or type the information requested, and sign in ink. Return this completed form to your Regional Office of Education, and include the applicable fee in the form of a cashier's check. (Contact information is in your telephone book under local or county government, or at <http://www.isbe.net/regionaloffices/pdf/roedirectory.pdf>.) Please contact your regional superintendent regarding to whom the cashier's check should be made payable. Chicago residents should mail the application and applicable fee in the form of a cashier's check, payable to the **State Superintendent of Education**, to the above address. Fees are not refundable or transferable.

PRINT NAME (Last, First, Middle, Maiden)	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	BIRTHDATE (mm/dd/yyyy)
ADDRESS (Street Number, City, State, Zip Code)	SEX <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	E-MAIL
	TELEPHONE (Include Area Code) Home	TELEPHONE (Include Area Code) Work

<b>(Attach written explanation for yes answers.)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Have you ever had a certificate denied, suspended or revoked in Illinois or any other state?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Have you ever been convicted of a felony, or any sex, narcotics or drug offense in Illinois or any other state?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Have you failed to file a tax return with the Illinois Department of Revenue, or failed to pay any tax, penalty, or interest owed or any final assessment of same for any tax as required by law and administered by that Department that was not subsequently resolved to the Department's satisfaction?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Have you ever been named by a state agency responsible for child welfare as a perpetrator in an indicated report of child abuse or neglect if such report was not reversed after exhaustion of any appeal?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Are you in default on an Illinois student loan for which you have failed to establish a satisfactory repayment plan with the Illinois Student Assistance Commission?

**Signature Required**

*I certify, under penalty of perjury, that I do not have a child support order, and/or that I am not more than 30 days delinquent in complying with a child support order. I understand that I must sign this statement, whether or not I have children, and failure to so certify may result in disciplinary action, and making a false statement may subject me to contempt of court. A written explanation is required for those unable to complete this certification.*

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**Original** Signature of Applicant

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Date

**Interpreter Choice:**     **SIGN LANGUAGE**                       **CUED SPEECH**

**Application for:**         **INITIAL**             **STANDARD**             **MASTER**             **EMERGENCY**

**INITIAL (valid for four years of interpreting within eight years)**  
 Each Initial applicant must demonstrate:

- 1) Completion of 30 semester hours of college credit from one or more regionally accredited institutions of higher education; or
- 2) Passing the Educational Interpreter Knowledge Assessment (EIKa); or
- 3) Passing the written examination administered by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID); or
- 4) Achieving the score identified as passing by the Illinois State Board of Education on either of the examinations for paraprofessionals.

<p><b>SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER</b>          Initial applicants in addition to the above must demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attaining a rating of Level 3.0 or above on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA); or</li> <li>• Receipt of a certificate issued by the RID; or</li> <li>• Scoring at the "passing" level or above on the examination of the American Consortium of Certified Interpreters (ACCI).</li> </ul>	<p><b>CUED SPEECH INTERPRETER</b>          Initial applicants in addition to the above must demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attaining a rating of Category 4 or above on the Basic Cued Speech Proficiency Rating administered by Testing, Evaluation and Certification Unit, Inc. (TEC Unit); or</li> <li>• Attaining Transliteration Skills Certification from TEC Unit at level 3 or above.</li> </ul>
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**STANDARD APPROVAL (valid for five years and renewable with proof of required continuing education)**

- 1) Each applicant shall:
  - A. have completed 60 semester hours of college credit from one or more regionally accredited institutions of higher education; or
  - B. hold an associate's degree issued by a regionally accredited institution of higher education; or
  - C. have passed one of the examinations required for initial approval (see Initial above).
- 2) Each applicant for **standard approval as a sign language interpreter** shall:
  - A. have attained a rating of Level 3.5 or above on the EIPA; or
  - B. provide evidence that he or she was employed as a sign language interpreter in the Illinois public schools during the 2005-06 school year and holds certification from the RID.
- 3) Each applicant for **standard approval as a cued speech interpreter** shall have attained Transliteration Skills Certification at level 3 or above.

**MASTER APPROVAL (valid for 10 years and renewable with proof of required continuing education)**

- 1) Each applicant shall have met the requirements of 1, A-C, Above.
- 2) Each applicant for master approval **as a sign language interpreter** shall have attained a rating of Level 4.5 or above on the EIPA.
- 3) Each applicant for master approval **as a cued speech interpreter** shall have attained Transliteration Skills Certification at Level 4 or above.

**EMERGENCY APPROVAL (valid for two years and not renewable)**

- 1) Each applicant shall have completed 10 semester hours of college credit from one or more regionally accredited institutions of higher education.
- 2) Each applicant for approval as a sign language interpreter shall have:
  - A. attained a rating of Level 3.0 or above on the EIPA; or
  - B. received a certificate issued by the RID; or
  - C. scored at the "passing" level or above on the examination of the ACCI.
- 3) Each applicant for approval as a cued speech interpreter shall have:
  - A. attained a rating of Category 4 or above on the Basic Cued Speech Proficiency Rating; or
  - B. attained Transliteration Skills Certification at level 3 or above.

*I do hereby affirm that the information provided above and the credentials, including official transcripts and other supporting documents, are true, correct and complete.*  
**NOTE: Applicants who knowingly alter or misrepresent their qualifications in order to obtain a credential shall be denied its issuance and may be subject to the revocation or suspension of all other educational credentials.**

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Date                                      Original Signature of Applicant

**REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT**

*I request the State Board of Education to review this application.*

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Date                                      Original Signature of Regional Superintendent