

**POLICY ON TEACHER CERTIFICATION**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS**

**POLICY TEXT:**

**Introduction**

The Chicago Board of Education ("Board") is committed to the goal of providing high quality education to all students. The Illinois Board of Education ("IBOE") has established a standard for teacher certification that requires all full-time teachers working in every classroom in the district. To ensure that its teachers are prepared to offer students effective instruction, the Board is committed to the proposition that all full-time teachers in the district must meet the requirements for a standard Illinois teaching certificate set forth in the School Code 105 ILCS 5/21-0.01 to 5/21-27. The following policy is designed to promote the excellence and professionalism of all full-time teachers in the city's schools.

**I. Substitute Teachers**

**Certification of Full-Time Teachers**

The CPS teaching force includes full-time basis ("FTB") substitute teachers in the district have earned one or more of the standard Illinois teaching certificates required for appointment to this policy: all FTB teachers must satisfy the School Code requirements for a standard Illinois teaching certificate within two years after being hired as a substitute teacher. The two-year requirement also shall not apply to CPS teachers working as day-to-day substitutes.

**II. Authorization For Release of Teacher Certification Test Information**

As another means to ensure professional qualifications of full-time teachers, the Board shall require that all applicants for CPS teaching positions sign a consent form authorizing the Illinois State Board of Education ("ISBE") to release to the Board any and all information regarding the number of times administered the Illinois tests to the Board and all information regarding the release of the Board's records. Information concerning standardized tests administered to applicants will be released to the Board in accordance with the Board's policies.

42 U.S.C. 14141-8, 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq. Individuals with Disabilities Act '34. Title 20, Part 300.136. Final References: 100 C

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