

8710.4100 TEACHERS OF AMERICAN INDIAN LANGUAGE, HISTORY, AND CULTURE.

Subpart 1. **Issuance of license authorized.** The Board of Teaching shall, under this part and Minnesota Statutes, section 126.49, authorize the issuance of a license to teach American Indian language, history, and culture to an applicant who has achieved and demonstrated competence in an American Indian language or knowledge and understanding of American Indian history and culture.

Subp. 2. **Scope of practice.** A teacher of American Indian language, history, and culture is authorized to teach an American Indian language or an American Indian history and culture to students in kindergarten through grade 12. This part shall not prohibit a school board from employing a person to teach an American Indian language or American Indian history and culture who does not hold a license under this part.

Subp. 3. **License requirements.** A candidate for licensure to teach American Indian language, history, and culture shall submit an application that:

A. specifies the American Indian language or history and culture to be taught;

B. includes certified copies of two resolutions attesting to the applicant's competence in an American Indian language or the knowledge and understanding of an American Indian history and culture. One of the resolutions must be from the tribal government governing the tribe or community speaking the language or representing the history and culture for which licensure is requested with the second resolution being from one of subitems (1) to (4):

(1) another reservation or business committee serving the tribe or community speaking the language or representing the history and culture for which licensure is requested;

(2) the local Indian education committee serving the tribe or community speaking the language or representing the history and culture for which licensure is requested;

(3) other bodies governing or serving the tribe or community speaking the language or representing the history and culture; or

(4) authorized officials of professional or learned societies, organizations, or institutions who are qualified to assess the applicant's competence in an American Indian language or the knowledge and understanding of the applicant of the American Indian history and culture.

The resolution shall confirm that the applicant has been assessed and is competent in the language to be taught or possesses knowledge and understanding of the American Indian history and culture to be taught.

Subp. 4. **Continuing license.** A continuing license shall be issued and renewed according to the rules of the Board of Teaching governing continuing licensure.

Subp. 5. **Effective date.** The requirements in this part for licensure as a teacher of American Indian language, history, and culture are effective on September 1, 2001, and thereafter.

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