3.04 Initial Administrator License

An initial administrator license must be valid for three years from the date of issuance and may be renewed as provided in section 7.01 of these rules.

3.04(1) An initial administrator license may be issued to an applicant who:

3.04(1)(a) holds an earned bachelor's or higher degree from an accepted institution of higher education.

3.04(1)(b) has completed an approved program for district-level administrators at an accepted institution of higher education, or evidence of partial completion of an approved administrator preparation program in each of two or more accepted institutions of higher education. Upon a finding of completion by the department of completion of the equivalent of any one program by combining work completed at different programs, the requested license may be issued, assuming all requirements set forth in these rules have been met;

3.04(1)(c) has supplied an institutional recommendation via an approved program verification form completed by the preparing administrator preparation program, appropriate to the license sought, by completing an approved program verification form provided by the department, which at a minimum confirms: the date of completion of an administrator preparation program; endorsement area(s) and grade level(s); completion of student teaching, clinical experience, or practicum; that the applicant holds or is eligible to hold a license in the preparing state or territory; and any additional information requested on the department form, and:

3.04(1)(c)(i) verifies satisfactory completion of the approved program;

3.04(1)(c)(ii) specifies the area(s) of endorsement/specialization completed by the applicant;

3.04(1)(c)(iii) verifies successful completion of internship, or practicum in a school setting or other appropriate setting in the endorsement/specialization area sought for licensure; and

3.04(1)(c)(iv) certifies that the applicant has demonstrated thorough knowledge of the principal quality standards and has the competencies essential for educational service.

3.04(1)(d) has submitted a complete application for an initial license as defined in section 2.04 of these rules.

3.04(1)(e) has demonstrated professional competencies as evidenced by a passing score on the State Board-adopted assessment for administrators.

3.04(2) An initial administrator license must be valid in any school district, BOCES, nonpublic school, or charter school, which provide or participate in or have been granted a waiver from providing an approved induction program for administrators as described in section 9.00 of these rules.

3.04(3) A holder of an initial administrator license who has completed three or more years of full-time, continuous, successful experience working with students as a licensed professional in a public or nonpublic elementary or secondary school in this state or another state may function as an occasional teacher. For purposes of this section, occasional teaching is defined as no more than one-half of a typical teaching assignment.