

REQUIREMENTS FOR
BILINGUAL EDUCATION, K-12 ENDORSEMENTS

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – CERTIFICATION UNIT

BILINGUAL SPECIALIST,
BILINGUAL RESOURCE TEACHER OR OTHERWISE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING BILINGUAL INSTRUCTION THE HOLDER OF THIS ENDORSEMENT IS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO TEACH ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL). CLASSROOM TEACHERS, SUPERVISORS, PRINCIPALS, AND SUPERINTENDENTS HOLDING A FULL BILINGUAL (OR FULL ESL) ENDORSEMENT ARE NOT REQUIRED TO OBTAIN THE STRUCTURED ENGLISH IMMERSION (SEI) ENDORSEMENT

Provisional Bilingual Endorsement

The provisional endorsement is valid for three years and is not renewable.

Requirements for the Provisional Bilingual endorsement are:

1. Completed **Application for Endorsement**
2. Appropriate fee (see Application for Endorsement)
3. One of the following:
 - A. A photocopy of your valid Arizona **IVP** fingerprint card (plastic) issued on or after January 1, 2008.
 - OR -**
 - B. A photocopy of your valid Arizona fingerprint clearance card (plastic) issued prior to January 1, 2008.

***NOTE:** Effective January 1, 2008, per Arizona State Statute A.R.S. § 15-106, an applicant who applies for a teaching certificate shall submit an **Identity Verified Prints (IVP) Fingerprint card**. "Non-IVP" Arizona fingerprint clearance cards issued on or after January 1, 2008 will **NOT** be accepted.*

4. A valid Arizona Elementary, Secondary, Special Education, Career and Technical Education, Supervisor, Principal or Superintendent certificate.
5. Verification of proficiency in a spoken language other than English or sign language, verified by the language department of an accredited institution except in the case of Spanish and American Indian languages. Spanish language proficiency shall be demonstrated by passing the Arizona Classroom Spanish Proficiency Examination approved by the Board. American Indian language proficiency shall be verified by an official designated by the appropriate tribe.

Full Bilingual Endorsement

The endorsement shall be automatically renewed with the certificate on which it is posted.

Requirements for the Full Bilingual Education endorsement are:

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