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## **EDUCATOR LICENSE WITH STIPULATIONS - TRANSITIONAL BILINGUAL EDUCATOR**

An Educator License with Stipulations endorsed for Transitional Bilingual Education (ELS-TBE) may be issued to an individual who does not have a degree in education but wishes to become a transitional bilingual or English as a Second/Foreign Language (ESL/EFL) teacher.

The individual must also meet ONE of the following requirements:

1. Option 1
  - Bachelor's Degree from an institution of higher education in the United States
  - Target Language Proficiency Test in desired language
2. Option 2
  - Bachelor's Degree from a foreign country in the requested medium
  - Target Language Proficiency Test in English
3. Option 3
  - A degree from a regionally accredited institution in the United States
  - Degree from a foreign country in the requested medium
  - No testing required

**NOTE:** Proficiency Tests can be found/registered for at: [http://www.il.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN\\_Tests.html](http://www.il.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN_Tests.html)

This license is valid for five (5) years and only allows the educator to teach transitional bilingual courses in a Pre Kindergarten - Grade 12 setting and English as a Second Language (ESL) in Kindergarten - Grade 6.

An endorsement to teach a foreign language class (e.g. French, Spanish, etc.) can be added by passing the applicable foreign language proficiency test. This endorsement would allow the individual to teach the endorsed language in a Pre Kindergarten - Grade 12 setting.

If they so desire, the individual could also add an LBS1 (Special Education) endorsement to their ELS-TBE by passing the LBS1 (155) proficiency test and completing coursework in the following areas:

- Survey of the exceptional child
- General characteristics of children with disabilities within the LBSI scope
- General methods for teaching children with disabilities within the LBSI scope
- Psychological assessment of children with disabilities within the LBSI scope

This license **CANNOT** be renewed. The ELS-TBE is meant to serve as a place holder or temporary license allowing an individual to work as a teacher full-time while working toward gaining a full Professional Educator's License (PEL) More information on the ELS-TBE can be found here: <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Educator-License-with-Stipulations.aspx>

For questions regarding this process, please call the Regional Office of Education at 309-734-6822 and ask for Brittany Stegall, or email her at [bstegall@roe33.net](mailto:bstegall@roe33.net).