

**CLOVIS UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT****INSTRUCTION**

Alternative/Specialized Programs

**EMPLOYMENT OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INTERPRETERS**

**PURPOSE:** To specify criteria for employment of deaf and hard of hearing interpreters.

The Board recognizes that it is important to the successful education of the deaf and hard of hearing that individuals hired as interpreters for the deaf and hard of hearing meet the minimum certification requirements, as defined in the law. The Board directs the Superintendent or designee to make every reasonable effort to employ as interpreters only those individuals:

1. Who are certified by the national Registry of Interpreters (RID), or equivalent; in lieu of RID certification or equivalent, an educational interpreter must have achieved a score of 4.0 or above on the Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA), the Educational Sign Skills Evaluation-Interpreter and Receptive (ESSE-I/R), or the National Association of the Deaf/American Consortium of Certified Interpreters (NAD/ACCI) assessment. If providing Cued Language transliteration, a transliterator shall possess Testing/Evaluation and Certification Unit (TECUnit) certification, or have achieved a score of 4.0 or above on the EIPA-Cued Speech; or
2. For whom the District has applied for and received a waiver of the requirements, as set forth in No. 1 above, from the California Department of Education through its waiver process.

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