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Related URL's	<a href="#">Idaho Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing</a>  <a href="#">Current statute</a>
Comments	
State Handbook	
Standards for:	
Formal Academic	
Oral	(iii) The registry of interpreters for the deaf, oral transliteration for oral transliterators
Cued Speech	(iv) The testing, evaluation, and certification unit for cued language transliterators
Sign Language	
Professional Knowledge Exam	
Interpreting Skill Exam	(a) Has achieved a score of 3.5 or higher on the educational interpreter performance assessment or has achieved a comparable score on an equivalent test as determined by the board; or (b) Is currently certified by: (i) The registry of interpreters for the deaf; (ii) The national association of the deaf at a level of III or higher;
CEU's	... 5) Educational interpreters employed by an Idaho public school in kindergarten through grade twelve (12) must complete a minimum of eighty (80) hours of training in the areas of interpreting or transliterating every five (5) years. This training must be documented and may include home study coursework, seminars, workshops and mentoring programs.
Developmental Alternatives (Often "Initial" or "Provisional")	... newly-hired educational interpreters, who have not worked in an Idaho public school as an educational interpreter in kindergarten through grade twelve (12) prior to the enactment of this chapter, may apply in writing to the board for emergency authorization to work as an educational interpreter for two (2) years before being required to meet the requirements of subsection (1) of this section.  An education interpreter who has received an emergency authorization under this subsection (3) may apply in writing to the board for a one-time, one (1) year extension of the emergency authorization. The board may grant such a one (1) year extension of the emergency authorization for good cause shown. (4) A graduate of an interpreter education program may serve as an educational interpreter in Idaho public schools, kindergarten through

	grade twelve (12) before meeting the requirements of subsection (1) of this section for one (1) year following such graduation.
Renewals	(5) Educational interpreters employed by an Idaho public school in kindergarten through grade twelve (12) must complete a minimum of eighty (80) hours of training in the areas of interpreting or transliterating every five (5) years. This training must be documented and may include home study coursework, seminars, workshops and mentoring programs.
Additional Information	Joelynn Ball Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and the Blind 208-901-1308 Educational Interpreter Training Coordinator (also Outreach and Early Intervention).