

LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lampeter, Pennsylvania 17537

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

The Bureau of Teacher Certification, Pennsylvania Department of Education, offers the following to help clarify the conditions of "Instructional I" certification:

The *Instructional I certificate is the regular initial certificate in Pennsylvania. It is valid for six full years in any public school in Pennsylvania.

Following three years, but before the end of six years of successful teaching in Pennsylvania, the holder of the Instructional I certificate must show evidence of having taken an additional 24 semester hours of credit since receiving his bachelor's degree, at which time the teacher may apply to make the certificate permanent (Instructional II). Having the certificate-made permanent depends upon a "satisfactory rating" for the years previous to permanent certification and completion of a Pennsylvania Department of Education approved induction program.

Post-baccalaureate work taken for permanent certification does not have to carry graduate credit. It may be all or partly undergraduate level course work. All course work taken toward permanent certification may be arranged to meet each person's individual needs by the institution or institutions with which he affiliates in his program for permanent certification.

Please note: It is the employee's responsibility to keep the Superintendent informed concerning their plans for certification and to provide copies of all updated certificates to the Superintendent.

*Instructional I and/or Educational Specialist I (librarian, guidance, etc.)