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This policy chapter replaces the temporary National Policy Memorandum (NPM) on this subject that expired in April 2013.

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1.1 Purpose. The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) is committed to providing quality educational opportunities to American Indian and Alaska Native communities. Due to issues such as school isolation and a lack of housing options, the BIE often has difficulty finding quality teachers. The purpose of this policy is to waive the qualification requirements of job category 0028 BIA/BIE (Teacher), to include alternative licensure programs, for those recruits being considered for employment by the BIE, who have been vetted by a teacher recruitment organization. Waiving qualification requirements for teacher candidates may broaden the applicant pool and permit BIE to obtain teachers in an expeditious manner.

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1.2 Scope. This policy applies to all BIE human resources hiring personnel, or BIE staff making hiring decisions, and is specific to job category 0028 BIA/BIE (Teacher).

1.3 Policy. This policy is in effect for organizations that have a valid Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the BIE. This policy may not be applied to applicants, employees, recruits or members of organizations that do not have a valid MOA with the BIE.

1.4 Authority.

1.5 Responsibilities.
   A. Director, BIE is responsible for final approval of the BIE policy on Waiving Qualification Requirements for Teacher Recruitment Organizations, and submission of the final policy to the Human Resources Officer, BIE.
   B. Human Resources Officer, BIE is responsible for the annual review of the policy. The HRO is responsible for monitoring overall compliance with the policy Waiving Qualification Requirements for Teacher Recruitment Organizations.
   C. Human Resources Specialist, BIE is responsible for ensuring compliance with the Policy Waiving Qualification Requirements for Teacher Recruitment Organizations in day-to-day hiring practices.