

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT [281]
Notice of Intended Action

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 256.7(5), the State Board of Education hereby proposes to amend Chapter 49, “Individual Career and Academic Plan,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Iowa Administrative Code chapter 49 establishes the minimum components for career information systems, used by districts to support individual career and academic planning activities for students in grades 8 through 12. The Iowa Department of Education maintains a list of career information systems which meet the criteria established in chapter 49. This proposed rule adds an additional category of “supplemental” career information systems. Career information systems that do not satisfy all criteria for career information systems may be placed on this list, and districts may use career information systems on this list to satisfy identified components of the career and academic planning process.

An agency-wide waiver provision is provided in 281–Chapter 4.

Interested individuals may make written comments on the proposed amendments on or before October 30, 2018, at 4:30 p.m. Comments on the proposed amendments should be directed to Nicole Proesch, Department of Education, Second Floor, Grimes State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0146; telephone (515) 281-8661; e-mail nicole.proesch@iowa.gov ; or fax (515) 242-5988.

A public hearing will be held on October 30, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. in the State Board Room, Second Floor, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, at which time persons may present their views either orally or in writing. Any person who intends to attend the public hearing and has special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact and advise the Department of Education of specific needs by calling (515) 281-5295.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code section 279.61.

The following amendments are proposed.

Item 1. Amend 281 – IAC section 49.6 by adding the following new subsection:

49.6(3) Supplemental systems. The department shall maintain a list of supplemental systems which districts may use to satisfy components of 281 – 49.3(279).

a. The department shall establish a process for the review of supplemental systems. The review shall, at a minimum, identify the components of 281 – 49.3(279) and paragraphs “b”, “c”, and “d” of subsection 3 of this section which are satisfied through the supplemental system. All supplemental systems shall comply with paragraphs “f” and “g” of subsection 3 of this section.

b. A district which chooses to utilize a supplemental system shall specify which components of 281 – 49.3(279) are satisfied through the use of the supplemental system in the district plan required under 281 – 49.5(279). A district which chooses to utilize a supplemental tool must continue to utilize and make available to students an approved system.