World Language Endorsement Guidelines To Accompany Rule 24 (Adopted by the State Board of Education on 1/06/10) **006.69 World Language:** Any language other than English, not including computer languages.

<u>006.69A</u> Grade Levels: K-8, 76-12, or K-12

006.69B Endorsement Type: Subject

<u>006.69C</u> Persons with this endorsement may teach a language other than English at the grade levels and the world language(s) for which they have been prepared. Those candidates seeking a K-12 endorsement must complete course work and clinical experiences which address elementary and secondary levels.

<u>006.69D</u> Certification Endorsement Requirements: Candidates must complete training in second language pedagogy methods. This endorsement requires a minimum of 30 semester hours in the world language for either the K-8 or 7-12 endorsement. Those candidates seeking a K-12 endorsement must complete course work and clinical experiences which address elementary and secondary levels.

006.69E: Candidates must demonstrate proficiency in the language of study according to the guidelines provided (Appendix C). In addition, this endorsement requires a minimum of 30 semester hours in the language of study.

006.69E1: Upon demonstration of proficiency in the language of study through one of the assessments in Appendix C, institutions may waive up to 30 of the required hours of language study.

<u>006.69D1</u> Upon successful completion of the Official American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and the Official ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test (WPT) at the Advanced-Low level of proficiency in the target languages of French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Portuguese, Russian, and/or Spanish, and at the Intermediate-High level for Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, and/or Korean, the Nebraska teacher education institutions may waive up to 15 hours of the 30 hours required in the world language.

<u>006.69E</u> Endorsement Program Requirements: Nebraska teacher education institutions Standard institutions of higher Education offering this endorsement program must have on file, within the institution, a plan which identifies the courses and the course completion requirements which the institution utilizes to grant credit toward completion of this endorsement.

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<u>006.69F</u> Effective September 1, 2015, an applicant will be required to submit a passing score as set forth in Appendix C for the applicable content test for the first-time placement of this endorsement on a Nebraska certificate or permit.

Appendix C World Language

World Language proficiency will be validated with a passing score on one of the following assessments appropriate to the language of study.

Praxis 5665 Chinese (Mandarin): World Language 164 Praxis 5174 French: World Language 162 Praxis/5183 German: World Language 163 Praxis 5601 Latin 155 Praxis 5195 Spanish: World Language 156

or

The Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) at Advanced-Low level of proficiency in western languages and at the Intermediate-High level for non-western and classical languages.

or

The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at C1 level for western languages and B2 for non-western languages.

If a valid assessment does not exist for a language, the institution may accept other documentation to validate proficiency in the language.