**Section 25.250 Standards for Speech-Language Pathologists**

A support personnel endorsement as a speech-language pathologist shall be available to holders of the PEL who demonstrate that they meet the standards set forth at 23 Ill. Adm. Code 28.230 by completing an approved program and passing the relevant test. These individuals shall not be required to meet the Illinois Professional Educator Standards set forth in the Standards for All Illinois Educators (23 Ill. Adm. Code 24) or the Initial Teacher Preparation Program Standards for All Special Educators (23 Ill. Adm. Code 28.100).

a) An individual who holds a speech-language pathologist's credential may serve as part of a team that includes a licensed teacher and may provide instructional support to that teacher or to students in regard to academic subjects. However, that individual shall not be the educator responsible for the academic instruction of students in a class or the sole teacher in a classroom.

b) An individual who holds a speech-language pathologist's credential may provide any service that constitutes speech-language therapy, regardless of the setting in which the service is delivered. That is, the speech-language pathologist may provide therapeutic services as the sole professional in an individual or group setting.

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