**Section 2772.410 Applicant Qualifications**

An applicant who meets the following qualifications is eligible for consideration for a scholarship:

a) Is a resident of Illinois and either:

1) Holds a valid teaching certificate issued pursuant to the School Code (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1989, ch. 122, par. 21-1 et seq.) and agrees in writing to train in an area of shortage, or

2) is preparing for a teaching career and agrees in writing to prepare in an area of shortage, or

3) holds a bachelor's degree from any accredited college or university and has been employed for at least ten years in a field other than teaching and agrees in writing to prepare in an area of shortage; and

b) Agrees in writing to accept employment within two years of completing preparation in an area of shortage and to teach for a period of three years in an area of identified shortage in an Illinois school, as provided by Section 30-4c(5) of the School Code.

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