.02 School Counselor.

The requirements for certification as a school counselor are:

A. Option I. The applicant shall have:

(1) A master's degree in school **counseling or** guidance and counseling from an IHE;

(2) A National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) certificate; and

(3) Two years of satisfactory performance as a teacher or counselor in a school setting.

B. Option II. The applicant shall have:

(1) A master's degree in school **counseling or** guidance and counseling in a program approved using State-approved standards under COMAR 13A.07.06.01; and

(2) 2 years of satisfactory performance as a teacher or **school** counselor, or 500 clock hours in a supervised practicum in school **[guidance and]** counseling.

C. Option III. The applicant shall have a master's degree in **school counseling or** school guidance and counseling from a program approved by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP).

D. Option IV. The applicant shall have:

(1) A master's degree in school **counseling or** guidance and counseling from an approved program under the Interstate Contract agreement for support services; and

(2) 2 years of satisfactory performance as a teacher or **school** counselor.

E. Option V. The applicant shall have:

(1) A master's degree from an IHE; and

(2) Present a valid, professional certificate from another state and verification of at least 27 months of satisfactory performance as a school counselor during the past 7 years on the basis of which application is being made for a like or comparable Maryland certificate.