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## OBTAINING AN EDUCATOR LICENSE WITH STIPULATIONS - PARAPROFESSIONAL

A paraprofessional educator endorsement (sometimes known as a Teacher's Aide) on an educator license with stipulations may be issued to an individual who is at least 19 years of age, holds a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent, and has met <u>one</u> of the following requirements\*:

- 1. Has completed at least 60 semester hours of credit from a regionally accredited institution of higher education (excluding remedial coursework and coursework must be a grade C or higher)
- 2. Holds an associate degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution of higher education
- Step 1: Create an Educator Licensure Information System (ELIS) account (see screenshot tutorial in packet).
- **Step 2: Submit an application** in ELIS. An application fee (plus a processing fee) will be assessed electronically when the application is submitted. You will need a debit/credit card to complete this step.
- **Step 3:** A. Request official college transcript(s) be sent to the Regional Office of Education. NOTE: Make every effort to have them sent electronically to Brittany Stegall at <u>bstegall@roe33.net</u> as that will expedite the process of obtaining a license. Mailed transcripts may be sent to the address listed below:

Regional Office of Education #33 Attn: Jodi Forrester 105 North E Street, Suite 1 Monmouth, IL 61462

NOTE: If you have recently graduated, you will want to be sure when ordering that you select to wait to send until your degree line has been added to the transcript.

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- **Step 3: B. Take the Paraprofessional Exam.** If you do not have the college course hours needed you can take the paraprofessional exam to satisfy the requirement. You would call the Regional Office of Education at (309) 734-6822 to schedule a test time. Fee for testing will be collected at the time of the exam. You will also need to provide a copy of your high school diploma or transcript to be uploaded to your ELIS account.
- Step 4: Register your license in ELIS. A registration fee will be assessed electronically when the registration is completed. You will need a debit/credit card to complete this step. You will register your license in ROE #33, Henderson/Knox/Mercer/Warren Counties. Once registered, the license is valid until June 30 immediately following five years of the endorsement being issued and may be renewed.

## Online Application for a Paraprofessional Approval

## If you are a first time user of the Educator Licensing Information System:

1. On the internet, go to <a href="http://www.isbe.net">http://www.isbe.net</a>

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2. Halfway down the page you will see the Educator Licensure Information (picture below). The red arrows indicate where you should click. Example click on the word Licensure.







