

DUBLIN ISD
Board Summary
Teacher Certification Delay Waiver Request

Summary Information

- **Teacher Name:** Barbarita Ortega
 - **Campus:** Intermediate School
 - **Educator Preparation Program (EPP):** iTeach
 - **Legislative Alignment:** House Bill 2 – Teacher Certification Requirements
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Current Status

- Holds active TEAL account
 - Not yet certified for current grade level/subject assignment
 - Enrolled in approved EPP (iTeach)
 - Registered to take Science of Teaching Reading (STR) exam (upcoming)
 - Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR): **Not yet passed**
 - Coursework/training modules: Completion timeline pending
 - Field observations: Not yet completed; observations identified as next required step
 - Anticipated full certification: **By the start of the 2027–2028 school year**
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Purpose of Waiver

- To allow Ms. Ortega to continue serving as teacher of record while completing certification requirements
 - To ensure alignment with House Bill 2 certification mandates
 - To maintain stability and continuity of instruction at the Intermediate campus
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Three-Year Certification Plan

- **2025–2026:**
 - Complete remaining coursework/training modules
 - Pass Science of Teaching Reading (STR) exam
 - Register for and pass PPR exam
 - Complete required program advisor field observations
- **2026–2027:**
 - Complete any outstanding certification requirements

- Continue employment in Dublin ISD
 - **By Start of 2027–2028 School Year:**
 - Obtain full standard certification in assigned subject area
 - **2027–2029:**
 - Maintain certification and meet all professional responsibilities
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District Supports and Accountability

- Monitoring of exam registration and testing progress
 - Coordination with iTeach regarding coursework and observation completion
 - Administrative progress check-ins
 - Documentation tracking for HB 2 compliance
 - Campus-level mentoring and instructional coaching support
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Superintendent Recommendation

I recommend approval of the Teacher Certification Delay Waiver for Barbarita Ortega. Ms. Ortega remains actively engaged in her educator preparation program and has identified clear next steps toward certification. Approval of this waiver supports legislative compliance while ensuring continued instructional stability for Dublin ISD students.