Policy on Institutions Seeking Accreditation

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1. Any postsecondary credit bearing proprietary educational institution applying for authorization to operate in the State of Indiana must specify its accreditation status. This applies to out-of-state accredited institutions seeking to open a campus in Indiana, in-state accredited institutions seeking to open a new campus, and all institutions without accreditation.

2. Any out-of-state accredited institution seeking to open a campus in Indiana and any in-state accredited institution seeking to open a new campus shall inform the Board for Proprietary Education of the steps and timeline required to extend its existing accreditation to the new campus. To maintain authorization, the institution must continue to make satisfactory progress toward extending accreditation to the new campus as determined by the Board.

3. Institutions that are not accredited by an accreditation agency recognized by the United States Department of Education shall include in their application a plan for becoming accredited, including the name of the accrediting agency from which they are seeking accreditation, the basic steps in the accreditation process, and the timeline for achieving accreditation. To maintain authorization, the institution must continue to make satisfactory progress toward achieving accreditation as determined by the Board.

4. All institutions shall promptly report to the Board for Proprietary Education any significant developments related to accreditation and shall include in their renewal applications a status report on accreditation.