INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS AND COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS

Applicants who have attended and/or graduated from a non-U.S. high school, college or university must have their high school diploma or college transcript evaluated by an independent credential evaluation agency. This agency will conduct a two-step process:

- 1. Translate the diploma/transcript/document to English (if translation is necessary)
- 2. Determine how the academic work and educational credentials taken by the individual equates to academic work offered at regionally accredited institutions in the United States.

Even if a diploma/transcript/document is in English, these credentials must undergo the evaluation process. Evaluation reports of foreign education credentials will be accepted only from members of either of the following professional organizations:

- National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) member agencies. The NACES Members Site (<u>http://naces.org/members.html</u>) maintains a complete listing of acceptable agencies.
- Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc. (AICE) member agencies. The AICE Members Site (<u>http://aice-eval.org/members/</u>) maintains a complete listing of acceptable agencies.

An official evaluation report for a high school graduation must include the following:

- A translation of the document into the English language (if applicable)
- Name and location of high school
- Date of graduation
- Must be equivalent to a high school diploma received in the U.S. at an accredited institution

An official evaluation report for college/university coursework and/or degree must include the following:

- A translation of the document into the English language (if applicable)
- A course-by-course evaluation of the applicant's non-U.S. coursework as it compares to a four-year college or university program or degree in the U.S.
- The semester-hour equivalent of each area of college-level study.
- A translation of course titles into the English language (if applicable)
- Verification of the completion of teaching certificate and practice/student teaching (if applicable)

Please note the following when applying for certification with Delaware First:

• Evaluation reports must be sent directly to Delaware First from the independent evaluation agency, or an unopened copy of the evaluation report must be forwarded by the individual to:

Delaware Department of Education Attn: Delaware First 401 Federal Street, Suite #2 Dover, DE 19901