An Articulation Agreement Between McHenry County College and The Board of Trustees of Illinois State University

McHenry County College (MCC) and the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University (ISU) hereby form a cooperative relationship through this articulation agreement to better serve our public constituents, to smooth the transfer process, to minimize duplication of instruction and to build on community college and university learning experiences. Both institutions recognize that by working together, their collective efforts are stronger than their individual efforts.

The two institutions agree to the following:

- 1. Students who successfully complete the Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree with the concentration in Elementary Education at MCC, and meet all general ISU and program admission criteria, will be admitted to Illinois State University, typically at the junior level.
- 2. Acceptance into the Elementary Education program at ISU is based on each individual transfer student meeting the conditions and considerations listed for the program. Students who apply for the Elementary Education program at ISU must have a minimum MCC GPA of 2.70, (if the student has attended multiple schools, the transfer GPA must be a 2.70 of all institutions attended) and apply between the dates of August 1 and January 15 for admission into the major to matriculate the following August.
- 3. For the smoothest transfer, it is recommended that students follow the suggested "Recommended Elementary Transfer Guide McHenry County College to Illinois State University" (Exhibit A). The courses on this Guide should be completed by the time of transfer from MCC. Courses on this Guide have been reviewed and accepted for transfer to ISU as part of the Elementary Education major.
- 4. This agreement does not guarantee admission for students seeking readmission or reinstatement to ISU.
- 5. MCC and ISU will collaborate and coordinate the recruitment and transfer of students in accordance with the program and degree requirements of their respective institutions. MCC will inform prospective students of this program during student recruiting activities through cobranded marketing materials and/or other mutually agreed upon means. MCC will publish the details of this agreement on their website for the benefit of students interested in participating in the program. ISU and MCC will jointly approve any and all advertising related to the Guaranteed Admission Program. ISU will provide online or print information regarding its academic program requirements and transfer credit policies.
- 6. Relationships between MCC and ISU faculty and administration are in the spirit of cooperation and provide the basis of this agreement.

- 7. Representatives of both institutions agree to meet on a regular basis, but at least every other year, to assess curricular changes and other conditions that may affect the nature of the agreement.
- 8. This agreement does not preclude either institution from making curriculum changes. The other party will be promptly notified in writing of such curriculum changes.
- 9. Either ISU or MCC may terminate this agreement by giving one year's advance notice to the cooperating institution's chief academic officer. All students admitted to ISU or enrolled at ISU at the time such termination becomes effective shall be permitted the opportunity to complete their degree or program upon such terms and conditions as were in effect at the time such student was admitted.
- 10. This agreement is effective with the 2023-2024 academic year and will automatically renew each year for a total period not to exceed five (5) years, unless terminated in accordance with paragraph 9 above.
- 11. It is understood and agreed that neither party to this Agreement shall be legally liable for any negligent or wrongful acts, either of commission or omission, of the other, unless such liability is imposed by law and this Agreement shall not be construed as seeking to either enlarge or diminish any obligation or duty owed by one party against the other or against third parties.
- 12. Both parties agree to comply with all applicable federal and state nondiscrimination, equal opportunity and affirmative action laws, orders, and regulations. Neither party shall engage in unlawful discrimination or harassment against any person because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, pregnancy, sexual orientation, order of protection, gender identity and expression, age, marital status, disability, genetic information, unfavorable military discharge, status as a veteran, or sex (including sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking).
- 13. The relationship of each party to the other under this Agreement shall be that of independent contractor, and no employment, partnership, or joint venture relationship shall be created by the entry into or performance of this Agreement by the parties.
- 14. Both parties affirm that, to the best of its knowledge, there exists no actual or potential conflict between such party's family, business, or financial interests and its obligations under this Agreement; and, in the event of a change in either of its private interests or obligations under this Agreement, and such party will raise to the other any questions regarding a possible conflict of interest which may arise as a result of such change.
- 15. This Agreement may not be assigned to either party without the prior written consent of the other party. Such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Agreement, attachments, and incorporated references shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the content of said Agreement. This Agreement may not be amended by either party unless such amendment is mutually acceptable to both parties and is reduced to writing and signed by both parties.

- 16. The failure of either party to enforce any provision hereof shall not be construed as a waiver of such party's right to enforce such provisions in the future. In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be void, voidable or otherwise unenforceable, the remaining provisions, shall remain in full force and effect. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois, without regard to the conflicts of laws. Any dispute arising hereunder shall be brought only in the appropriate courts located in Illinois. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, including by facsimile signature, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute a single instrument.
- 17. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.
- 18. Confidentiality. Both ISU and MCC may receive confidential student information as a result of participation associated with this Articulation Agreement. ISU and MCC agree to abide by the student protections as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.
- 19. Use of Trademark. ISU and MCC agree to grant mutual, non-exclusive, non-transferable rights to utilize each other's trademarks, logos, or other institutional identifiers as provided by each party for the purposes of promoting this agreement, and for no other purpose. Should improper use of any trademark by either institution be determined, ISU and MCC shall collaboratively work to rectify the usage. Usage does not grant any right or interest to acquire said trademarks.
- 20. Any notice required hereunder shall be deemed given when delivered in person or three (3) days after being sent by first class mail to the following addresses, which may be changed by notice provided pursuant to this Agreement:

For Illinois State University: Kelli Appel College of Education Illinois State University Campus Box 5300 Normal, IL 61790-5300

For McHenry County College:
Julie Sherwood
Articulation and Transfer Coordinator
McHenry County College
8900 US Highway 12
Crystal Lake, IL 60012

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date below.

The Board of Trustees of Illinois State University

McHenry County College

Dr. Ani Yazedjian

Date

Dr. Clinton Gabbard

President

Date

Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

Reviewed and Approved
as to legal form
Office of General Counsel

Recommended Elementary Transfer Guide McHenry County College to Illinois State University (Exhibit A)

McHenry County College Courses (ISU course equivalents)

ENG 151 Composition I (ENG 101)

ENG 152 Composition II (ENG 145)

ENG 277 Intro to Children's Literature (ENG 170 H3918)

SPE 151 Introduction to Speech (COM 110)

BIO 157 Fundamentals of Biology (BSC 197 IAI L1 910L) OR BIO 158 Evolution and Biodiversity

(BSC 196 L1 910L) OR any IAI L1 900, L1 900L, L1 910 or L1 901L approved course

CHM 115 Chemistry & Society (CHE 102 P1 903L) **OR** CHM 164 Intro Chem (CHE 110 P1 902 &

CHE 112 P1 902L OR CHE 140 P1 902L) **OR** PHY 280 (PHY 108) **OR** any IAI P1 900/L, P1 901/L, P1 902/L or P1 903/L approved course

EAS 120 Intro to Meteorology (GEO 211) **OR** EAS 185 Natural Hazards & Disasters (GEO 207IAI P1

908) OR any IAI P1 905/L, P1 906, P1 908/L approved course

MAT 161 College Algebra (MAT 119) - Students may be able to test out of this course

MAT 202 Mathematic Foundations for Elementary Ed II (MAT 152 M1 903)

HIS 170 History of the U.S. to 1865 (HIS 135) OR HIS 172 History of the U.S. after 1865 (HIS 136)

PLT 151 United States Government (POL 106)

ECO 251 Microeconomics (ECO 101 S3 902) OR ECO 252 Macroeconomics (ECO 102 S3 901)

GEG 202 Geography of the Developed World (S4 901) **OR** GEG 203 Geography of the Developing World (S4 902N AMALI)

EDU 253 Exceptional Learner (SED 101)

PSY 251 Child Growth & Development (TCH 210) OR ECE 120 Child Growth & Development (TCH 210)

EDU 255 Multicultural Classroom (TCH 110) For ESL Endorsement

IAI H or FA course

IAI FA course

Any additional hours to reach the requirements for the AA degree

Illinois State University Courses

TCH 204 Elementary Education: Practices & Issues (P: TCH 210; con.reg. in TCH 205 and 208)

TCH 205 Elementary Education Clinical I (P: TCH 210; con.reg. in TCH 204 and TCH 208)

TCH 208 Literacy I: Reading & Language Arts (P: TCH 210; cone.reg. in TCH 204 and 205)

TCH 209 Literacy II: Reading & Language Arts in Elementary (P: TCH 208 taken within 7 years)

TCH 247 Science Inquiry in Elementary Schools (P: TCH 210)

TCH 248 Foundations for English Learners OR TCH 318 Strategies for Teaching English Learners

TCH 257 Science Methods (P: TCH 208 and 209 w/in 7 years; con.reg. TCH 258, TCH 260 and TCH 264)

TCH 258 Social Studies Methods (P: TCH 208 and 209 w/in 7 years; con.reg TCH 257, 260 and TCH

264)

TCH 260 Elementary Education Clinical II (P: con.reg TCH 257, TCH and TCH 264)

TCH 264 Language Arts Instructional Strategies (P: TCH 208 and 209 w/in 7 years)

TCH 391 Teaching for Equity in Elementary Classroom: Assessment (P: cone.reg in STT 399A50)

KNR 222 Physical Education for Elementary Classroom (P: 30+ earned hours)

ART 204 Visual Art for Elem **OR** DAN 283 Dance in Elem **OR** MUS 277 Music in Elem **OR** THE 281 Theatre in Elem

EAF 228 Social Foundations **OR** EAF 231 Philosophy of Education **OR** EAF 235 Historical Foundations MAT 130 Dimensions of Numerical Reasoning

MAT 201 Teaching Mathematics in Elementary (P: C or better in MAT 130 and 152, 60+ hrs.)

Elective Track Course #1 (i.e. English Language Learners, Reading)

Elective Track Course #2

Elective Track Course #3

STT 399A50 Student Teaching in Elementary School (full semester 12 credit hours; con.reg TCH 391)