

Approved nonpublic schools seeking to move to Accreditation status will follow the procedures in Rule 10 (*Regulations and Procedures for the Accreditation of Schools*).

- By July 1 of the year prior to the school becoming accredited, the school notifies NDE of the **intent to apply** for accreditation
- During the year of the application process, the school will verify compliance with the provisions of Rule 10. This is accomplished by submitting a **documentation report** by November 1.
- By March 1, each **school will be visited** by a representative of the Department to verify compliance with Rule 10.
- The **State Accreditation Committee** will review the report of the visit and the documentation of compliance with Rule 10 at their spring meeting. The Committee will forward accreditation recommendations for the coming year to the Commissioner.
- At the June **State Board of Education** meeting, the Commissioner will make a recommendation to the Board that the applicant school be granted accreditation. Upon favorable action by the Board, accreditation is granted for one school year – from each July 1 through the following June 30.