**Section 1009.20 Definitions**

"Accredited" means holding institutional accreditation by name as a U.S. based institution from an accreditor recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

"Act" means the Dual Credit Quality Act [110 ILCS 27].

"Board" or "BHE" means the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

"Dual Credit" means an instructional arrangement in which an academically qualified student currently enrolled in high school enrolls in a college-level course and, upon successful course completion, concurrently earns both college credit and high school credit.

"ICCB" means the Illinois Community College Board.

*"Institution" means an institution of higher learning as defined in the Higher Education Student Assistance Act* [110 ILCS 947]*.* (Section 5 of the Act)

"Operating Authority" means, for the purposes of this Part, approval from the Board authorizing an institution to operate in the State under the Private College Act [110 ILCS 1005] and the Academic Degree Act [110 ILCS 1010].