Independent national accreditation organizations approved by the Facility Schools Board

Senate Bill 23-219 requires the Facility Schools Board to approve a list of recognized independent national accreditation organizations. The Office of Facility Schools shall maintain this list on their website.

On or after December 1, 2026 a school district or an administrative unit shall only place a student in an approved facility school that receives accreditation from the State Board of Education or an independent national accreditation organization, unless the school district or administrative unit determines that there is not an accredited facility available and the selected placement is in the best interest of the student.

Accrediting entity name	**Description**
Cognia (AdvancEd)	School accreditation – K-12, postsecondary, early learning, education service organizations, state education agencies, extended learning programs https://www.cognia.org/accreditation/
ACIS - Association of Colorado Independent Schools	Accreditation standards established by the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) – Based on NAIS Principles of Good Practice – must be an educational entity https://www.acischools.org/accreditation

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