



Professional Standards Commission
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NOTICE

TO: ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES

FROM: Professional Standards Commission and
Kelly C. Henson, Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority contained in Official Code of Georgia Title 20, it is proposed that the Professional Standards Commission initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with Georgia Administrative Procedures Act so as to provide for 1) **amending** the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective October 15, 2016, as follows: 505-2-.08, 505-2-.10, 505-2-.13, 505-2-.26, 505-2-.32, 505-2-.43, 505-2-.44, 505-2-.87, 505-2-.89, 505-2-.90, and 505-2-.153; (2) **repealing** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2016, as follows: 505-3-.01, 505-3-.05, 505-3-.44, 505-3-.45, and 505-3-.46; (3) **initiating** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2016, as follows: 505-3-.01, 505-3-.05, 505-3-.44, 505-3-.45, 505-3-.46, 505-3-.94, and 505-3-.107; and (4) **amending** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective October 15, 2016, as follows: 505-3-.50.

All interested persons shall be afforded reasonable opportunity to submit data, views, or arguments orally or in writing. **Anyone interested in making a written statement may do so by submitting it to RulesComments@GaPSC.com or mail to the undersigned, Kelly Henson, at 200 Piedmont Avenue, Suite 1702, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032. It is requested that such a statement be delivered on or before August 24, 2016.** Opportunity for oral hearing shall be granted if requested by 25 persons who will be directly affected by the proposed rule, by a governmental subdivision, or by an association having not less than 25 members.

The Professional Standards Commission will consider the proposed rules during its regular meeting on September 8, 2016, to begin at approximately 12:30 p.m. at the Professional Standards Commission Board Room, 4th Floor, 200 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032.

These rules may be viewed in their entirety on the GaPSC website at <http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx>. Presentation of rules in this format is permissible under O.C.G.A. § 50-13-2.

This notice is issued pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

Discussion (Certification)

505-2-.08 CAREER, TECHNICAL AND AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.08 CAREER, TECHNICAL AND AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION, dated June 15, 2016, be AMENDED to include language on qualifying for a Non-Renewable, International Exchange, Permit and Adjunct license; and to add the option of a Permit for Healthcare Science, Engineering and Technology, and Career and Technical Specializations.

505-2-.10 PERMIT

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.10 PERMIT, dated July 1, 2014, be AMENDED to add the option for the fields of Career and Technical Specializations, Engineering and Technology, and Healthcare Science; and to add that the Online Teaching Endorsement may be added to a Permit in a teaching field.

505-2-.13 WAIVER CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.07 WAIVER CERTIFICATE, dated April 15, 2016, be AMENDED to clarify the purpose to include candidates completing programs leading to Induction Pathway One and Induction Pathway Two certificates missing assessment requirements for certification; and to update Highly Qualified information.

505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS

It is proposed that Rule 505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS, dated June 15, 2016, be AMENDED to clarify acceptable Content Pedagogy assessments and exemptions.

505-2-.32 VALIDITY PERIODS AND DATING OF CERTIFICATES

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.32 VALIDITY PERIODS AND DATING OF CERTIFICATES, dated January 15, 2016, be AMENDED to remove the exception for Non-Renewable Professional validity period based on reciprocity for field of Educational Leadership, to clarify Non-Renewable Professional validity period for the field of Educational Leadership, and to clarify numbering of sections.

505-2-.43 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.43 ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, dated January 15, 2016, be AMENDED to clarify reporting accountability of unsatisfactory performance.

505-2-.44 RETIRED EDUCATOR CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.44 RETIRED EDUCATOR CERTIFICATE, dated October 15, 2015, be AMENDED to include an option for educators retired from private schools.

505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE, dated October 15, 2014, be AMENDED to include an option for educators to hold a Permit certificate.

505-2-.89 ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.89 ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY, dated January 15, 2015, be AMENDED to include an option for educators to hold a Permit certificate.

505-2-.90 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.90 CAREER, TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS, dated June 15, 2016, be AMENDED to add the fields of Computer Animation and Industrial Maintenance; and to revise entry degree requirements for Distribution and Logistics.

505-2-.153 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.153 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE, dated January 15, 2016, be AMENDED to revise the date the Performance-Based Assessment for School Leaders is required for Tier II program completers.

Discussion (Educator Preparation):

505-3-.01 REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS

It is proposed that Rule 505-3-.01, REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS, dated October 15, 2014, be REPEALED and a new rule with the same number and title be INITIATED. The new rule addresses needed improvements and enhancements for educator preparation programs, represents adjustments for the implementation of tiered certification, and incorporates requirements related to new assessments.

505-3-.05 GEORGIA TEACHER ACADEMY FOR PREPARATION AND PEDAGOGY (GaTAPP)

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.05 GEORGIA TEACHER ACADEMY FOR PREPARATION AND PEDAGOGY (GaTAPP), dated July 3, 2014, be REPEALED and a new rule with the same name and number be INITIATED to align with the proposed GaPSC Rule 505-3-.01 REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS. This rule allows for the addition of Early Childhood Education (ECE) certification to an existing level four (4) or higher Professional teaching certificate after completion of a one year supervised Early Childhood Education Certification-only Program through GaTAPP.

505-3-.44 ART EDUCATION PROGRAM

It is proposed that Rule 505-3-.44 ART EDUCATION PROGRAM, dated May 15, 2014, be REPEALED and a new rule with the same name and number be INITIATED. Changes to the rule are intended to reflect revisions to the standards published by the National Association of Schools of Art.

505-3-.45 DANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM

It is proposed that the 505-3-.45 DANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM Rule, dated May 15, 2014, be REPEALED and that a new rule with the same number and title be INITIATED. The new rule is adapted from the National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD) and reflects current terminology and language relative to the field of Dance.

505-3-.46 THEATRE EDUCATION PROGRAM

It is proposed that Rule 505-3-.46 DRAMA EDUCATION PROGRAM, dated May 15, 2014, be REPEALED and that a new rule with the same number and a new name entitled THEATRE EDUCATION PROGRAM be INITIATED. The new rule is intended to reflect revisions to the National Association of Schools of Theatre.

505-3-.50 MUSIC EDUCATION PROGRAM

It is proposed that Rule 505-3-.50 MUSIC EDUCATION PROGRAM, dated May 15, 2015, be AMENDED. Changes to the rule are intended to reflect revisions to the National Association of Schools of Music Standards.

505-3-.94 STEM EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM

It is proposed that a GaPSC Rule 505-3-.94 STEM EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM, be INITIATED as a new rule with a new number to prepare educators to use the principles of STEM education in their teaching practice.

505-3-.107 DUAL IMMERSION EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.107 DUAL IMMERSION EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM, be INITIATED as a new rule with a new number to prepare educators certified in P-12 Foreign Language Education to be highly qualified to teach in P-5 Dual Immersion Classrooms.

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Kelly C. Henson
Executive Secretary