



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 January 15, 2017, as follows: 505-2-.36, and 505-2-.185; (2) **repealing** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective January 15, 2017, as follows: 505-3-.02, 505-3-.67, and 505-3-.76; and (3) **initiating** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective January 15, 2017, as follows: 505-3-.02, 505-3-.67, and 505-3-.76.

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 November 26, 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 December 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-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS, to become effective July 1, 2017, be AMENDED to allow educators the option of satisfying Professional Learning Units if not required to complete PLGs or PLPs.

505-2-.185 SPECIAL EDUCATION AUTISM ENDORSEMENT

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.185 SPECIAL EDUCATION AUTISM ENDORSEMENT dated April 15, 2016 be AMENDED with a new name entitled, "AUTISM ENDORSEMENT," to revise the title of the rule and language in the in-field statement.

Discussion (Educator Preparation):

505-3-.02 EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER ANNUAL REPORTING AND EVALUATION

It is proposed that Rule 505-3-.02 EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER ANNUAL REPORTING AND EVALUATION dated July 3, 2014, be RESCINDED and that a new rule with the same number and title be INITIATED. The new rule is intended to reflect revisions to GaPSC plans for collecting, analyzing, reporting, and applying educator preparation program performance data within the context of the state approval review system. Also reflected are changes in Georgia's statewide educator effectiveness system brought about by the passage of SB 364.

505-3-.67 SCHOOL COUNSELOR PROGRAM

It is proposed that Rule 505-3-.67 SCHOOL COUNSELOR Program, dated May 15, 2014, be RESCINDED and that a new rule with the same number be INITIATED. The new rule is intended to reflect revisions to the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) implemented July 1, 2016, and to reflect recommendations from the Georgia House Study Committee on School Counseling and the Role of School Counselors.

505-3-.76 ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.76 ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM dated January 15, 2016, REPEALED and a new rule with the same name and number INITIATED. The new rule is intended to clarify terminology used within the rule, as well as requirements for program admission and completion at Tier I and Tier II.



Kelly C. Henson
Executive Secretary