



FINAL NOTICE

TO: Employers of Educators
Preparers of Educators
Other Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Professional Standards Commission Rule Rescission/Amendment/Adoption

On January 8, 2026, the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) initiated the rulemaking process to **(1) repeal** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective April 15, 2026, as follows: 505-3-.45, 505-3-.46, and 505-3-.50; **(2) adopt** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective April 15, 2026, as follows: 505-3-.45, 505-3-.46, and 505-3-.50; and **3) amend** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective April 15, 2026, as follows: 505-3-.44, 505-3-.78, and 505-3-.79.

On March 12, 2026, the Commission adopted the aforementioned rules, effective April 15, 2026.

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

Educator Preparation

505-3-.44. Art Education Program

This newly adopted rule reflects changes in the standards, which are adapted from the standards published in 2025 by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.

505-3-.45. Dance Education Program

This newly adopted rule incorporates standards adapted from the standards published in 2025 by the National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD).

505-3-.46. Drama Education Program

This newly adopted rule incorporates standards adapted from the standards published in 2025 by the National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST).

505-3-.50. Music Education Program

This newly adopted rule incorporates standards adapted from the standards published in 2025 by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM).

505-3-.78. Curriculum and Instruction and Educational Leadership Tier 1 Program

This newly adopted rule allows for the deactivation of single-field programs in the fields of Curriculum and Instruction and Educational Leadership Tier I after the dual-field program is approved.

505-3-.79. Teacher Leadership and Educational Leadership Tier I Program

This newly adopted rule allows for the deactivation of single-field programs in the fields of Teacher Leadership and Educational Leadership Tier I after the dual-field program is approved.