

**505-2-.177 SPECIAL EDUCATION PRESCHOOL AGES 3-5 ENDORSEMENT**

Nature of Amendment(s):

Substantive  
 Clarification  
 Further Definition

**Discussion:**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.177 SPECIAL EDUCATION PRESCHOOL AGES 3-5 ENDORSEMENT, dated July 1, 2014, be AMENDED to change the field name of Early Childhood Education P-5 to Elementary Education P-5.

**Current/Amended Sections(s):**

(Additions are underlined in bold type; deletions are marked through.)

**(1) Eligibility Requirements.**

(a) To be eligible for the professional Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 Endorsement the applicant must hold a level four (4) or higher renewable professional certificate in ~~Early Childhood Education~~ **Elementary Education** or a Special Education field. The applicant must also complete other requirements outlined in GaPSC Rule 505-2-.14 ENDORSEMENTS.

(b) To be eligible for the Supplemental Induction Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 Endorsement the applicant must hold a level four (4) or higher Induction certificate in ~~Early Childhood Education~~ **Elementary Education** or a Special Education field. The applicant must also complete other requirements outlined in GaPSC Rule 505-2-.14 ENDORSEMENTS.

**(2) In-Field Statement (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.40 IN-FIELD ASSIGNMENT).** An individual with the Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 endorsement is in-field to work with students ages 3-5 (below K) with disabilities other than visually and hearing impaired, under the following conditions: The educator may work collaboratively with a content area teacher of record in all content subjects. To serve as a teacher of record, the educator may teach only the content subjects of his/her base certificate field(s). If a preschool child is visually or hearing impaired, resource/consultative services must be provided by appropriately certified personnel associated with the sensory impairment.

(a) Each state-approved curriculum course, with specified certificate fields that are designated as in-field, may be found under Certification/Curriculum Assignment Policies (CAPS) on the GaPSC web site at [www.gapsc.com](http://www.gapsc.com).

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