

505-2-.145 SCHOOL NUTRITION DIRECTOR

Nature of Amendment(s):

Substantive
 Clarification
 Further Definition

Discussion:

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.145 SCHOOL NUTRITION DIRECTOR, dated June 15, 2016, be AMENDED to remove the option to qualify for this field based on completion of a GaPSC-prescribed program.

Current/Amended Sections(s):

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

(1) Initial Certificate Requirements.

(a) Professional Certificate (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.05 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE](#)):

1. An applicant is eligible for a Standard Professional certificate in the field of School Nutrition Director based on meeting Georgia's standards of conduct (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS](#)) and completion of ~~one of~~ the following options:

(i) Completion of a GaPSC-approved certification preparation program in School Nutrition Director at the master's degree level – level five (5) – or higher; ~~or~~

~~(ii) If no GaPSC-approved certification preparation program is available in the field, completion of a master's degree program or higher from a GaPSC-accepted accredited institution in a related field (i.e. dietetics, nutrition, foods, food service management, hotel/restaurant management, culinary, food science, family and consumer science, education, public health, health, biological sciences, chemistry and business), passing or exempting the Program Admission assessment, and completion of a GaPSC evaluation of prescribed School Nutrition Director certification coursework to include the courses below:~~

~~(I) Six (6) semester hours of course work in food and/or nutrition taken above the sophomore level;~~

~~(II) Nine (9) semester hours in the areas of psychology or sociology of the school-age child or adult, personnel management and methods of principles of education, with no more than six (6) hours in any one area. Evidence of having met membership requirements of the American Dietetic Association will substitute for these nine (9) semester hours; and~~

~~(III) Fifteen (15) semester hours of acceptable graduate work including nine (9) semester hours in food service administration/management or other approved management substitutes, and six (6) semester hours in food, nutrition or nutrition education.~~

(b) Induction Certificate (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.04 INDUCTION CERTIFICATE](#)):

1. An Induction certificate in the field of School Nutrition Director may be issued at the request of the employing Georgia local unit of administration (LUA) to an applicant who does not hold any educator certificate but meets the following requirements:

- (i) Hold a bachelor's degree or higher from a GaPSC-accepted accredited institution;
- (ii) Pass or exempt the Program Admission assessment; and
- (iii) Be accepted into a GaPSC-approved School Nutrition Director certification preparation program ~~or, if no program is available, receive a GaPSC evaluation of prescribed School Nutrition Director certification course work.~~

(c) Non-Renewable Professional Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.09 NON-RENEWABLE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE):

1. Non-Renewable Professional certificates in the field of School Nutrition Director are issued at the request of an employing Georgia local unit of administration (LUA) in the following situations:

- (i) The applicant holds an expired Georgia Standard Professional or Clear Renewable School Nutrition Director Certificate at the master's degree level or higher but has not met renewal requirements outlined in GaPSC Rule 505-2-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS; or
- (ii) The applicant holds any level four (4) or higher renewable professional teaching certificate and verifies acceptance into a state-approved certification preparation program in School Nutrition Director at the master's degree level or higher; ~~or,~~

~~_____ (iii) The applicant holds any level four (4) or higher renewable professional teaching certificate and verifies acceptance into a master's degree program in a related field (i.e. dietetics, nutrition, foods, food service management, hotel/restaurant management, culinary, food science, family and consumer science, education, public health, health, biological sciences, chemistry and business) and obtains a GaPSC prescribed program evaluation.~~

~~(2) Certificates Not Issued Additional Certificate Title Issued in the Field.~~ The GaPSC does not issue the following certificates for this field:

(a) Retired Educator Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.44 RETIRED EDUCATOR).

~~_____ (a) International Exchange certificate (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.11 INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE CERTIFICATE](#));~~

~~_____ (b) Permit (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.10 PERMIT CERTIFICATE](#)); and~~

~~_____ (c) Adjunct License (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.15 ADJUNCT LICENSE](#)).~~

(3) To Add the Field (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.34 ADD A FIELD](#)).

(4) To Upgrade the Level (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.33 CERTIFICATE UPGRADE](#)).

(5) Renewal Requirements (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS](#))

~~_____ (a) To renew a Professional School Nutrition Director Certificate, an applicant must complete renewal requirements.~~

(6) In-Field Statement (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.40 IN-FIELD ASSIGNMENT](#))

(a) Individuals certified in School Nutrition Director are in-field to serve as a School Nutrition Director in grades P-12.

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