

Summary of Proposed Changes to GaPSC Educator Preparation Rules

July 14, 2022, Initiation Public Comment Period: August 1, 2022, through August 30, 2022

At its July 14, 2022, meeting, the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) initiated the rulemaking process for the Educator Preparation rule listed below. A summary of the proposed rule amendments is provided below, and the **proposed rule is available at:** <u>http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx</u>.

The public comment period for this rule is open from **August 1, 2022, through August 30, 2022.** Written comments related to this rule must be addressed to GaPSC Executive Secretary, Mr. Matt Arthur, and may be submitted via e-mail (<u>RulesComments@GaPSC.com</u>) or via regular mail (200 Piedmont Avenue SE, Suite 1716, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032). Commissioners will consider formal adoption of all proposed rules during their regular meeting on September 8, 2022. If you have questions about these proposed rule amendments, please contact Penney McRoy at <u>penney.mcroy@gapsc.com</u>.

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Rule #	Rule Name	Summary of Proposed Rules Action
505-3111	ELEMENTARY AGRICULTURE EDUCATION (P-5) ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM	The purpose of this proposed rule action is to repeal the current Elementary Agriculture Education Endorsement (P-5) Program Rule (GaPSC Rule 505-3111) and replace it with a new rule containing two options for preparing educators to teach Agriculture in grades P-5. One option, which is in the current rule, prepares individuals certified in Agriculture Education (6-12) with the pedagogical knowledge and skills needed to teach Agriculture content in elementary schools. A new and second option will provide individuals certified in Elementary Education (P-5) with Agriculture content knowledge. A Task Force comprised of subject matter experts and Agriculture teacher educators recommended the revisions to the endorsement program rule, as well as the Agriculture standards.