

Summary of Proposed Changes to GaPSC Educator Preparation Rules

July 10, 2025, Initiation

Public Comment Period: July 23, 2025, through August 21, 2025

At the July 10, 2025, Commission meeting, rulemaking was initiated for the Educator Preparation rules listed below. A summary of proposed rule changes is provided below, and the proposed rules are available on the GaPSC website at: http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx.

The public comment period for these rules is open from July 23, 2025, through August 21, 2025. Written comments related to these rules must be addressed to GaPSC Executive Secretary, Dr. Joseph C. Barrow, Jr. and may be submitted via e-mail (RulesComments@GaPSC.com) or via regular mail (200 Piedmont Avenue, Suite 1716, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032). Commissioners will consider formal adoption of proposed rule amendments during their regular meeting on September 11, 2025. If you have questions about the proposed amendments, please contact Penney McRoy at penney.mcroy@gapsc.com.

Proposed Educator Preparation Rule Changes		
Rule # 505-3-	Rule Name	Summary
505-390	Gifted In-Field Endorsement	Amendments are proposed to add program admission requirements based on program type (stand-alone or embedded) and certification requirements for adding the Endorsement.
505-394	STEM Endorsement	Amendments are proposed to update program content standards and remove the word Program from the title.
505-397	STEAM Endorsement	A new endorsement is proposed to allow GaPSC-approved EPPs to offer a STEAM Education Endorsement with the possibility of a STEAM micro-endorsement for candidates holding a STEM Education Endorsement.