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505-2-.57. Teaching Fields

Nature of Amendment(s):

__Substantive
__Clarification
__Further Definition

Discussion:
It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.57 Teaching Fields, dated April 15, 2024, be AMENDED to update the list of Georgia certification teaching fields and endorsements to reflect newly established fields and endorsements. The revision also updates terminology and related references for consistency with current GaPSC certification rules.

(1) Summary: This rule lists the certification teaching fields offered in the state of Georgia to qualified individuals and outlines how to locate requirements and procedures to qualify for certification.

(2) Areas of Specialization. The following teaching fields are offered:

(a) Early Grades Education (B-5).

1. Birth Through Kindergarten (B-K)
2. Elementary Education (Grades P-5)

(b) Middle Grades Education (Grades 4-8).

1. Middle Grades Language Arts
2. Middles Grades Math
3. Middle Grades Reading
4. Middle Grades Science
5. Middle Grades Social Science

(c) Secondary Education (Grades 6-12).

1. Behavioral Science
2. Biology
3. Chemistry
4. Earth/Space Science
5. Economics
6. English
7. Geography
8. History
9. Speech
10. Science
11. **Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps (JROTC)**
    - **(i) Air Force**
    - **(ii) Army**
    - **(iii) Marine Corps**
    - **(iv) Navy**
12. Mathematics
13. Physics
14. Political Science

(d) Career, Technical and Agriculture Education.

1. Agriculture (Grades 6-12)
2. Business (Grades 6-12)
3. Career and Technical Specializations (Grades 6-12)
4. Computer Science (Grades P-12)
5. Engineering and Technology (Grades P-12)
6. Family and Consumer Sciences (Grades 6-12)
7. Healthcare Science (Grades 6-12)
8. Marketing (Grades 6-12)

(e) World Languages (Grades P-12).

1. American Sign Language
2. Arabic
3. Chinese (Mandarin)
4. Farsi
5. French
6. German
7. Greek (Classical)
8. Hebrew
9. Hindi
10. Italian
11. Japanese
12. Korean
13. Latin
14. Portuguese
15. Russian
16. Spanish
17. Swahili
18. Turkish
19. Urdu

(f) Montessori Fields.

1. Infant Toddler (Birth - 3)
2. PK2 – K (Ages 2 ½ - 6)
3. Elementary I Grades 1st - 3rd (Ages 6-9)
4. Elementary I-II Grades 1st - 6th (Ages 6-12)
5. Secondary I Grades 7th - 9th (Ages 12-15)
   (i) Secondary I Language Arts & Social Studies
   (ii) Secondary I Science & Mathematics
6. Secondary I-II Grades 7th - 12th (Ages 12-18)
   (i) Secondary II English
   (ii) Secondary II Mathematics
   (iii) Secondary II Science
   (iv) Secondary II Social Science

(g) P-12 Fields.

1. Art
2. Dance
3. Drama
4. English to Speakers of Other Languages
5. Gifted
6. Health
7. Health and Physical Education
8. Music
9. Reading

(h) Special Education.

1. Academic Content Concentrations (Cognitive Levels P-5, 4-8, and 6-12)
2. Behavior Disorders (Grades P-12)
3. Deaf Education (Grades P-12)
4. Physical and Health Disabilities (Grades P-12)
5. Special Education Adapted Curriculum (Grades P-12)
6. Special Education General Curriculum (Grades P-12)
7. Special Education General Curriculum/Elementary Education (Grades P-5)
8. Learning Disabilities (Grades P-12)
9. Special Education Preschool (Ages 3-5)
10. Visual Impairment (Grades P-12)

(3) Teaching Endorsements (~~See GaPSC Rules 505-2-.159 to 505-2-.191~~ **See applicable GaPSC endorsement rules**).

(a) The following teaching field endorsements are offered and may be used for placement in the field of instruction:

1. **Elementary** Agriculture Education (Grades P-5)
2. Birth through Five (B-5)
3. Career Technical Instruction (Grades 6-12)
4. Career Exploration (Grades 6-12)
5. Computer Science (Grades P-12)
6. **Computer Science Micro-Endorsement (In-Field)**
7. Coordinated Career Academic Education (Grades 6-12)
8. Culinary Arts (Grades 6-12)
9. Dramatic Writing Micro-Endorsement (In-Field)
10. Dual Immersion Elementary Education (Grades P-5)
11. English to Speakers of Other Languages (In-Field)
12. **Financial Literacy (In-Field)**
13. Gifted In-Field (In-Field)
14. **Lifeguarding and Aquatic Safety Micro-Endorsement (P-12)**
15. **Literacy Coaching**
16. Reading (In-Field)
17. Safety and Driver Education (Grades 6-12)
18. **Safety and Hunter Education (6-12)**
19. Special Education Deaf Education (Grades P-12)
20. Special Education Physical and Health Disabilities (P-12)
21. Special Education Preschool (Ages 3-5)
22. Special Education Visual Impairment (Grades P-12)
23. Teacher Support and Coaching (In-Field)
24. Work-Based Learning (Grades 6-12)

(b) The following teaching field endorsements are offered for enhanced competency and not required for placement in the field:

1. **Artificial Intelligence for Educators**
2. Coaching
3. Dyslexia
4. **Foundations of Artificial Intelligence in Education Micro-Endorsement**
5. Intervention Specialist
6. K-5 Mathematics
7. K-5 Science
8. Multi-Tiered System of Supports Facilitator
9. Online Teaching
10. Personalized Learning
11. Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports
12. **School Safety and Anti-Gang**
13. Special Education Autism
14. Special Education Transition Specialist
15. STEM Education
16. **STEAM Education**
17. **STEAM Education Micro- Endorsement**
18. Teacher Leader
19. Urban Education

(4) Provisional Certificate (See GaPSC 505-2-.08 PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE).

(a) For Career and Technical Specialization fields see GaPSC 505-2-.90 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS.

(b) For the field of Healthcare Science see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE.

(c) For Montessori fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE.

(5) Induction Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.04 INDUCTION CERTIFICATE).

(a) For Career and Technical Specialization fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.90 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS.

(b) For the field of Healthcare Science see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE.

(c) For Montessori fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE.

(6) Professional Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.05 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE).

(a) For Career and Technical Specialization fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.90 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS.

(b) For the field of Healthcare Science see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE.

(c) For Montessori fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE.

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

(a) For Career and Technical Specialization fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.90 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS.

(b) For the field of Healthcare Science see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE.

(c) For Montessori fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE.

(8) To Add a Field (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.34 ADD A FIELD).

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(b) For the field of Healthcare Science see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE.

(c) For Montessori fields see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE.

(9) To Upgrade the Level (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.33 CERTIFICATE UPGRADE).

(10) Renewal Requirements (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS).

(11) Additional Certificate Titles Issued for Teaching Fields.

(a) Adjunct License see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.15 ADJUNCT LICENSE.

(b) International Exchange Certificate see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.11 INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE CERTIFICATE.

(c) Life Certificate see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.12 LIFE CERTIFICATE.

(d) Military Support Certificate see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.46 MILITARY SUPPORT CERTIFICATE.

(e) Montessori Certificate see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE.

(f) Permit see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.10 PERMIT CERTIFICATE.

(g) Pre-Service Teaching Certificate see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.03 PRE-SERVICE TEACHING CERTIFICATE.

(h) Retired Educator Certificate see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.44 RETIRED EDUCATOR CERTIFICATE.

(i) Waiver Certificate see GaPSC Rule 505-2-.13 WAIVER CERTIFICATE.

(12) Exceptions.

(a) In some cases, obsolete fields may continue to be renewed if previously held by an educator.

(13) In-Field Statement. Individuals certified in teaching fields are in-field to teach specified Georgia curriculum courses in the grade levels identified by the teaching field. You may view individual in-field statements **here**. 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**.**

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