



Professional Standards Commission
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NOTICE

TO: ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES

FROM: Professional Standards Commission and
Kelly C. Henson, Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority contained in Official Code of Georgia Title 20, it is proposed that the Professional Standards Commission initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with Georgia Administrative Procedures Act so as to provide for (1) **initiating** the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective October 15, 2017, as follows: 505-2-.154; (2) **amending** the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective October 15, 2017, as follows: 505-2-.02, 505-2-.10, 505-2-.34, and 505-2-.153; and (3) **amending** the current rules in Chapter 505-6- Educator Ethics, effective January 1, 2018, as follows: 505-6-.01.

All interested persons shall be afforded reasonable opportunity to submit data, views, or arguments orally or in writing. **Anyone interested in making a written statement may do so by submitting it to RulesComments@GaPSC.com or mail to the undersigned, Kelly Henson, at 200 Piedmont Avenue, Suite 1702, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032. It is requested that such a statement be delivered on or before August 22, 2017.** Opportunity for oral hearing shall be granted if requested by 25 persons who will be directly affected by the proposed rule, by a governmental subdivision, or by an association having not less than 25 members.

The Professional Standards Commission will consider the proposed rules during its regular meeting on September 14, 2017, to begin at approximately 12:30 p.m. at the Professional Standards Commission Board Room, 4th Floor, 200 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032.

These rules may be viewed in their entirety on the GaPSC website at <http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx>. Presentation of rules in this format is permissible under O.C.G.A. § 50-13-2.

This notice is issued pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

Discussion (Certification)

505-2-.02 CLASSIFICATION

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.02 CLASSIFICATION, dated January 15, 2016, be AMENDED to update the fields for which a Permit may be issued.

505-2-.10 PERMIT

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.10 PERMIT, dated October 15, 2016, be AMENDED to edit language for consistency from renewal to extension, add the requirement to complete the appropriate GACE Ethics Exit assessment as a requirement to extend the initial Permit, change the title of the permit from Educational Leadership to Superintendent, add an exemption option for the GACE Program Admission Assessment (PAA) and content assessment for the Superintendent permit, and remove the Retired Educator permit option.

505-2-.34 ADD A FIELD

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.34 ADD A FIELD, dated July 1, 2017, be AMENDED to update the GACE passing level required for adding a teaching field and outline the requirement for adding the Superintendent Certificate field to an established certificate in Educational Leadership.

505-2-.153 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.153 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE, dated October 15, 2016, be AMENDED to update the title of the Superintendent permit and to add the Superintendent certificate requirement for individuals in that position.

505-2-.154 SUPERINTENDENT CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.154 SUPERINTENDENT CERTIFICATE be INITIATED with a new name and new number to create a certificate that will identify leaders currently serving as a superintendent.

Discussion (Educator Ethics)

505- 6 -.01 THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR EDUCATORS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-6.01 THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR EDUCATORS, dated June 15, 2015, be AMENDED to consolidate the standards from eleven (11) to ten (10), including eliminating abandonment of contract as a separate standard, and adding the definition for breach of contract.



Kelly C. Henson
Executive Secretary