



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) **amending** the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective July 1, 2018, as follows: 505-2-.10, 505-2-.24, 505-2-.26, 505-2-.146, and 505-2-.185; and (2) **initiating** the current rule in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective July 1, 2018, as follows: 505-2-.45; (3) **repealing** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective July 15, 2018, as follows: 505-3-.76, and 505-3-.77; and (4) **initiating** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective July 15, 2018, as follows: 505-3-.76, and 505-3-.77.

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](mailto: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 April 27, 2018.** 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 May 10, 2018, to begin at approximately 12:30 p.m. at the Professional Standards Commission Board Room, 4<sup>th</sup> 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-.10 PERMIT**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.10 PERMIT, dated October 15, 2017, be AMENDED to update the documents required for extension of the permit and to remove the GACE Program Admission Assessment requirement for extension of the JROTC permit.

**505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS dated July 1, 2017, be AMENDED to remove the edTPA requirement for conversion of the IN3 certificate and change the required grade for the Special Education requirement to B or higher.

**505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS dated July 1, 2017, be AMENDED to remove the edTPA requirement for conversion of the IN3 certificate and remove the Program Admission Assessment for extension of the JROTC Permit. In addition, the assessments required for Montessori certification are outlined in this rule.

**505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE**

It is proposed that Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE be INITIATED to establish the Montessori certification structure and title that will allow qualified Montessori teachers to obtain certification.

**505-2-.146 SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.146 SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY dated January 15, 2015, be AMENDED to allow for completion of professional learning units awarded by the Georgia Association of School Psychologists (GASP) to meet the renewal credit requirement for unemployed educators certified in this field.

**505-2-.185 AUTISM ENDORSEMENT**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.185 AUTISM ENDORSEMENT dated January 15, 2017, be AMENDED to allow service field certificate holders to add the field and to clarify the requirements for issuance of the Supplemental Induction endorsement.

**Discussion (Educator Preparation)****505-3-.76 ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.76 ALTERNATIVE PREPARATION FOR EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM dated January 15, 2017, be REPEALED and a new rule with the same name and number INITIATED. This new rule further develops and articulates standards and expectations for educational leadership preparation Tier I and Tier II programs.

**505-3-.77 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.77 EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM, dated April 15, 2015, be REPEALED and that a new rule with the same name and number be INITIATED. This new rule further develops and articulates standards and expectations for educational leadership preparation Tier I and Tier II programs.



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Kelly C. Henson  
Executive Secretary