



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 505-3- Educator Preparation, effective January 15, 2018, as follows: 505-3-.01, and 505-3-.05.

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 November 18, 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 December 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 (Educator Preparation)

505-3-.01, REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.01, REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS, dated

October 15, 2016, be AMENDED to clarify rule language related to requirements for program admission, assessment, and field and clinical experiences and related reporting. At the request of program providers, the requirement for program completers to submit the GaPSC-administered Completer Survey prior to the verification of certification eligibility is being removed. The Completer Survey is not a component of Preparation Program Effectiveness Measures (PPEMs) and is administered by GaPSC solely for the purpose of supporting program provider efforts to gather perception data that may inform program improvement.

505-3-.05 GEORGIA TEACHER ACADEMY FOR PREPARATION AND PEDAGOGY (GaTAPP)

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.05 GEORGIA TEACHER ACADEMY FOR PREPARATION AND PEDAGOGY (GaTAPP), dated October 15, 2016, be AMENDED. This amended rule allows candidates holding an Induction Pathway 2 or Induction Pathway 3 Certificate to enter an Early Childhood Education Certification-only Program through GaTAPP. Also candidates in this ECE Certification-only program are no longer required to obtain a Professional passing score on the Georgia state approved content assessment for Early Childhood for program completion.



Kelly C. Henson
Executive Secretary