



Professional Standards Commission
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NOTICE

TO: ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES

FROM: Professional Standards Commission and
Matt Arthur, 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, 2022, as follows: 505-2-.08, 505-2-.10, 505-2-.45, 505-2-.26, 505-2-.46, 505-2-.87, 505-2-.90, 505-2-.143, 505-2-.144, 505-2-.145, and 505-2-.147; (2) **amending** the current rules in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective July 1, 2022, 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 Rules Comments, Georgia Professional Standards Commission, 200 Piedmont Avenue, SE, Suite 1716, West Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032. It is requested that such a statement be delivered on or before May 5, 2022.** 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 12, 2022, currently scheduled to be held virtually and in-person at approximately 10:00 a.m. in the GaPSC Conference Room, West Tower, 17th Floor, located at 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-.08 PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.08 PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE, dated January 1, 2021, be AMENDED to eliminate the minimum GPA and GACE Program Admission Assessment requirements for Provisional certificate eligibility.

505-2-.10 PERMIT

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.10 PERMIT, dated January 1, 2021, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment requirement for extension of a Permit.

505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS, dated July 1, 2020, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for certification.

505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.45 MONTESSORI CERTIFICATE, dated January 1, 2021, be AMENDED to GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for certification.

505-2-.46 MILITARY SUPPORT CERTIFICATE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.46 MILITARY SUPPORT CERTIFICATE, dated July 1, 2020, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for issuance of the third year Military Support Provisional certificate.

505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.87 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE, dated January 1, 2021, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement certification in Healthcare Science.

505-2-.90 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.90 CAREER AND TECHNICAL SPECIALIZATIONS, dated January 1, 2022, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for certification in any career and technical specialization.

505-2-.143 MEDIA SPECIALIST

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.143 MEDIA SPECIALIST, dated January 1, 2020, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for issuance of the Provisional certificate in Media Specialist.

505-2-.144 SCHOOL COUNSELING

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.144 SCHOOL COUNSELING, dated January 1, 2020, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for issuance of the Provisional certificate in School Counseling.

505-2-.145 SCHOOL NUTRITION DIRECTOR

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.145 SCHOOL NUTRITION DIRECTOR, dated January 1, 2020, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for issuance of the Provisional certificate in School Nutrition Director.

505-2-.147 SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.147 SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK, dated January 1, 2020, be AMENDED to eliminate the GACE Program Admission Assessment as a requirement for certification in School Social Work.

Discussion (Educator Preparation)

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

It is proposed that GaPSC Educator Preparation Rule 505-3-.01, REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS, effective January 1, 2022, be AMENDED to remove the program admission requirements of a minimum GPA of 2.5 and a passing score on the Program Admission Assessment. Also included are

educator preparation provider (EPP) reporting deadlines for entering newly enrolled candidates.

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

It is proposed that GaPSC Educator Preparation Rule 505-3-.05, GEORGIA TEACHER ACADEMY FOR PREPARATION AND PEDAGOGY (GaTAPP), effective January 1, 2021, be AMENDED to remove the program admission requirements of a minimum GPA of 2.5 and a passing score on the Program Admission Assessment.

Adoption of Rules

The GaPSC will be considering the adoption of these rules at the May 12, 2022, meeting of the Commission to be held virtually and in-person at approximately 10:00 a.m. in the GaPSC Conference Room, West Tower, 17th Floor, located at 200 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032.