



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 rule in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective October 15, 2024, as follows: 505-2-.08; **(2) initiating** the current rule in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective October 15, 2024, as follows: 505-2-.151; **(3) amending** the current rule in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective October 15, 2024, as follows: 505-3-.02; **(4) repealing** the current rule in Chapter 505-3- Educator Preparation Rules, effective October 15, 2024, as follows: 505-3-.08; and **(5) repealing** the current rules in Chapter 505-6- Professional Practices, effective October 15, 2024, as follows: 505-6-.03 and 505-6-.09.

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 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 August 30, 2024.** 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 GaPSC will consider the adoption of these rules at the September 12, 2024, meeting of the Commission to begin at approximately 10:00 a.m. at the GaPSC Offices, 17th 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.

## **Certification**

### **505-2-.08 PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.08 PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE, dated July 1, 2022, be AMENDED to include Speech-Language Associate as a field for which the Provisional certificate may be issued.

### **505-2-.151 SPEECH-LANGUAGE ASSOCIATE**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.151 SPEECH-LANGUAGE ASSOCIATE be INITIATED to create a new certification field to align with GaPSC Educator Preparation Rule 505-3-.70 SPEECH-LANGUAGE ASSOCIATE PROGRAM.

### **Educator Preparation**

#### **505-3-.02 EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER ANNUAL REPORTING AND EVALUATION**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.02 EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER ANNUAL REPORTING AND EVALUATION dated January 1, 2024, be AMENDED to incorporate a reference to Educator Preparation Provider (EPP) reporting deadlines specified in GaPSC Rule 505-3-.01 REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS FOR APPROVING EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDERS AND EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS. Additional changes are made for clarification.

#### **505-3-.08 INNOVATIVE AND EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAMS**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-3-.08 INNOVATIVE AND EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAMS dated May 15, 2014, be REPEALED as this rule is outdated and not compatible with GaPSC data collection and reporting systems.

### **Professional Practices (Ethics)**

#### **505-6-.03 CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-6-.03 CHANGE OF ADDRESS dated October 15, 2002, be REPEALED as the rule is a restatement of the law and does not add or expound on the law.

#### **505-6-.09 INVESTIGATION INSTITUTED BY SELF-REFERRAL**

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-6-.09 INVESTIGATION INSTITUTED BY SELF-REFERRAL dated October 15, 2002, be REPEALED as it is a restatement of the law and does not add or expound on the law.

### **Adoption of Rules**

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