(1) Initial Certificate Requirements.

(a) Professional Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.05 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE).

1. An individual is eligible for a Standard Professional certificate in the field of School Nutrition Director based on meeting Georgia’s standards of conduct (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS) and completion the following:

   (i) Completion of a GaPSC-accepted certification preparation program in School Nutrition Director at the master’s degree level – level five (5) – or higher.

(b) Provisional Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.08 PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE):

1. A Provisional certificate in the field of School Nutrition Director may be issued at the request of the employing Georgia local unit of administration (LUA) to an individual who does not hold any educator certificate but meets the following requirements:

   (i) Hold a bachelor’s degree or higher from a GaPSC-accepted accredited institution.

   (ii) Pass or exempt the Program Admission assessment.

2. The Provisional certificate will be issued for one (1)-year pending verification of enrollment in a GaPSC-accepted educator preparation program leading to certification in the field held by the individual. Once enrolled in a GaPSC-accepted program, the certificate will be extended for two additional years (See RULE 505-2-.08 PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE).

(c) Non-Renewable Professional Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.09 NON-RENEWABLE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE):

1. Non-Renewable Professional certificates in the field of School Nutrition Director are issued at the request of an employing Georgia local unit of administration (LUA) in the following situations:

   (i) The individual holds an expired Georgia Standard Professional or Clear Renewable School Nutrition Director Certificate at the master’s degree level or higher but has not met renewal requirements outlined in GaPSC Rule 505-2-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS.

   (ii) The individual holds any level four (4) or higher renewable professional certificate and is assigned out-of-field.

(2) Additional Certificate Title Issued in the Field.

(a) Retired Educator Certificate (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.44 RETIRED EDUCATOR).

(3) To Add the Field (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.34 ADD A FIELD).

(4) To Upgrade the Level (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.33 CERTIFICATE UPGRADE).

(5) Renewal Requirements (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS).
(6) **In-Field Statement** (See GaPSC Rule [505-2.40 IN-FIELD ASSIGNMENT](#)).

(a) Individuals certified in School Nutrition Director are in-field to serve as a School Nutrition Director in grades P-12.

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