

505-2-.167. Gifted In-field Endorsement

Nature of Amendment(s):

☒ Substantive
☐ Clarification
☐ Further Definition

Discussion:

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.167 GIFTED IN-FIELD ENDORSEMENT, dated July 1, 2014, be RESCINDED and a rule with the same number and title be INITIATED to adjust formatting, correct certificate titles, and clarify that the field cannot be waived through strategic waiver and charter.

(1) Eligibility Requirements.

- (a) To be eligible for the Professional or Five-Year Induction Gifted In-Field Endorsement, an individual must hold a level four (4) or higher renewable Professional or Five-Year Induction certificate in any teaching field and complete other requirements outlined in GaPSC Rule [505-2-.14 ENDORSEMENTS](#).
- (b) To be eligible for the Three-Year Non-Renewable or Three-Year Induction Gifted In-Field Endorsement, an individual must hold a level four (4) or higher Professional or Five-Year Induction certificate in any teaching field and have the certificate requested by the employing Georgia local unit of administration (LUA) following procedures outlined in GaPSC Rule [505-2-.27 CERTIFICATION APPLICATION, MyPSC AND TEST ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURES](#).

(2) Restrictions.

- (a) The Gifted in-Field Endorsement is not added to any other certificate title or type except as outlined in 1(a) and (b) above.
- (b) The Gifted In-Field Endorsement requirements cannot be waived through charter or strategic waivers in accordance with state law, federal law, and Georgia State Board Rule.

(3) In-Field Statement (See GaPSC Rule [505-2-.40 IN-FIELD ASSIGNMENT](#)).

- (a) An individual with the Gifted In-Field Endorsement is in-field to provide direct instruction to gifted students only in the grade levels and field(s) of the base certificate(s). Direct instruction may be provided in resource classes, advanced content classes and/or cluster group classes.
- (b) Individuals with the Gifted Endorsement are also in-field to serve as a resource teacher for indirect gifted education services in any content area for grades P-12.
- (c) Each state-approved curriculum course, with specified certificate fields that are designated as in-field, may be found under Certification/Curriculum Assignment Policies (CAPS) on the GaPSC website at www.gapsc.com.

Authority O.C.G.A. § 20-2-200.