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505-2-.177. Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 Endorsement

Nature of Amendment(s):	_√ Substantive
	Clarification
	Further Definition

Discussion:

It is proposed that GaPSC Rule 505-2-.177 SPECIAL EDUCATION PRESCHOOL AGES 3-5 ENDORSEMENT, April 15, 2021, be RESCINDED and a rule with the same number and title be INITIATED to adjust formatting and correct certificate titles.

(1) Eligibility Requirements.

- (a) To be eligible for the Professional or Five-Year Induction Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 Endorsement, an individual must hold a level four (4) or higher renewable Professional or Five-Year Induction certificate in Birth Through Kindergarten, Elementary Education, or a Special Education P-12 Consultative field. The applicant must also 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 Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 Endorsement, an individual must hold a level four (4) or higher Professional or Five-Year Induction certificate in Birth Through Kindergarten, Elementary Education, or a Special Education P-12 Consultative 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) In-Field Statement (See GaPSC Rule 505-2-.40 IN-FIELD ASSIGNMENT).
- (a) An individual with the Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 endorsement is in-field to work with students ages 3-5 (below K) with disabilities other than visually and hearing impaired, under the following conditions: An individual may work collaboratively with a content area teacher of record in all content subjects. To serve as a teacher of record, an individual may teach only the content subjects of his/her base certificate field(s). If a preschool child is visually or hearing impaired, resource/consultative services must be provided by appropriately certified personnel associated with the sensory impairment.
- (b) Each state-approved curriculum course, with specified certificate fields that are designated as infield, may be found under Certification/Curriculum Assignment Policies (CAPS) on the GaPSC web site at www.gapsc.com.

Authority O.C.G.A. § 20-2-200.