



Summary of Proposed Changes to GaPSC Certification Rules

October 9, 2025, Initiation

Public Comment Period: October 31, 2025, through November 29, 2025

At the October 9, 2025, Commission meeting, rulemaking was initiated for the Certification rules listed below. A summary of proposed rule changes is provided below, and the proposed rules are available on the GaPSC website at:

<http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx>.

The public comment period for these rules is open from October 31, 2025, through November 29, 2025. Written comments related to these rules must be addressed to GaPSC Executive Secretary, Dr. Joseph C. Barrow, Jr. and may be submitted via e-mail

(RulesComments@GaPSC.com) or via regular mail (200 Piedmont Avenue, Suite 1716, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-9032). Commissioners will consider formal adoption of proposed rule amendments during their regular meeting on December 11, 2025. If you have questions about the proposed amendments, please contact the Certification Division using the contact form at

<https://www.gapsc.com/Certification/EmailPSC.aspx>.

Proposed Certification Rules		
Rule #	Rule Name	Summary of Rules Action
505-2-.160	Career Exploration (PECE) Endorsement	These rules are proposed to be repealed and initiated to adjust formatting and certificate titles.
505-2-.161	Career Technical Instruction (CTI) Endorsement	
505-2-.162	Coaching Endorsement	
505-2-.165	Culinary Arts Endorsement	
505-2-.166	English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Endorsement	
505-2-.167	Gifted In-Field Endorsement	
505-2-.168	Intervention Specialist Endorsement	
505-2-.169	K-5 Mathematics Endorsement	
505-2-.170	K-5 Science Endorsement	
505-2-.171	Middle Grades Endorsement	
505-2-.174	Safety and Drivers Education	
505-2-.175	Special Education Deaf Education Endorsement	
505-2-.176	Special Education Physical and Health Disabilities Endorsement	
505-2-.177	Special Education Preschool Ages 3-5 Endorsement	
505-2-.178	Special Education Transition Specialist Endorsement	
505-2-.179	Special Education Visual Impairment Endorsement	

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505-2-.181 505-2-.182 505-2-.183 505-2-.184 505-2-.185 505-2-.186 505-2-.187 505-2-.188 505-2-.189 505-2-.190	Teacher Leader Endorsement Teacher Support and Coaching Endorsement Work-Based Learning Endorsement Dual Immersion Elementary Education Endorsement Autism Endorsement STEM Education Endorsement Dramatic Writing Micro-Endorsement Personalized Learning Endorsement Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) Endorsement Urban Education Endorsement	
505-2-.159	Birth Through Five Endorsement	This rule is proposed to be repealed and initiated to adjust formatting and certificate titles, add field of eligibility, and correct the in-field statement to reflect it is an in-field endorsement.
505-2-.42	Clearance Certificate	This rule is proposed to be repealed and initiated to update assessment titles.
505-2-.153	Educational Leadership	This rule is proposed to be repealed and initiated to update assessment titles.
505-2-.11	International Exchange Certificate	This rule is proposed to be repealed and initiated to update requirements for an extension and to include validity section.
505-2-.196	STEAM Education Endorsement	A new endorsement is proposed for individuals who complete the STEAM educator preparation program.
505-2-.197	STEAM Education Micro-Endorsement	A new micro-endorsement is proposed for individuals who hold the STEM Endorsement.