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**Subject:** From Kelly Henson: Final Notice of Effective Rules

**FINAL NOTICE**

**TO:** Employers of Educators  
Preparers of Educators  
Other Interested Parties

**FROM:** Kelly C. Henson

**SUBJECT:** Professional Standards Commission Rule  
Rescission/Amendment/Adoption

On March 9, 2017, the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) authorized its Executive Secretary to initiate the rulemaking process to (1) **amend** the current rules in Chapter 505-2- Certification, effective July 1, 2017, as follows: 505-2-.05, 505-2-.06, 505-2-.07, 505-2-.09, 505-2-.24, 505-2-.25, 505-2-.26, 505-2-.27, 505-2-.34, and 505-2-.36.

On May 11, 2017, the Commission repealed/amended/adopted the aforementioned rules, effective July 1, 2017. These repealed/amended/adopted rules may be downloaded in their entirety from the GaPSC website at <http://www.gapsc.com/Commission/Rules/home.aspx> by clicking on the title of any rule. Presentation of rules in this format is permissible under O.C.G.A. § 50-13-2.

**Discussion (Certification)**

**505-2-.05 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE**

This newly adopted rule updates the Teacher Keys Effectiveness System (TKES) performance evaluation requirements to Teacher Assessment on Performance Standards (TAPS), the experience requirements from acceptable to successful, assessment language, and removes the requirement that the employing LUA must apply for the certificate.

#### **505-2-.06 ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE**

This newly adopted rule changes the Teacher Keys Effectiveness System (TKES) performance evaluation requirements to Teacher Assessment on Performance Standards (TAPS), modifies qualifying and renewal requirements, and removes the requirement that the employing LUA must apply for the certificate.

#### **505-2-.07 LEAD PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE**

This newly adopted rule clarifies qualifying and renewal requirements, removes the Teacher Keys Effectiveness System (TKES) performance evaluation requirements, and removes the requirement that the employing LUA must apply for the certificate.

#### **505-2-.09 NON-RENEWABLE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE**

This newly adopted rule clarifies educational leadership program language.

#### **505-2-.24 SPECIAL GEORGIA REQUIREMENTS**

This newly adopted rule edits language for consistency from state-approved to GaPSC-approved or GaPSC-accepted, from pedagogy assessment to content pedagogy assessment, and from acceptable experience to successful experience. Also included is the requirement that the special education course taken through college credit must be passed with a grade of “C” or higher and the addition of the Educator Ethics – Program Exit requirement for extension of a Permit.

#### **505-2-.25 EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

This newly adopted rule updates the Teacher Keys Effectiveness System (TKES) and Leader Keys Effectiveness System (LKES) performance evaluation requirements to Teacher Assessment on Performance Standards (TAPS) and Leader Assessment on Performance Standard (LAPS).

#### **505-2-.26 CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ASSESSMENTS**

This newly adopted rule updates content and ethics assessment requirements.

#### **505-2-.27 CERTIFICATION APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

This newly adopted rule clarifies electronic submissions for employed educators, and requirements for applying for renewal if not employed for a professional certificate.

#### **505-2-.34 ADD A FIELD**

This newly adopted rule updates assessment language and specifies that special Georgia requirements must be completed when adding a service or leadership field.

#### **505-2-.36 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS**

This newly adopted rule changes the Teacher Keys Effectiveness System (TKES) performance evaluation requirements to Teacher Assessment on Performance Standards (TAPS) and clarifies the renewal requirements for educators holding more than one field or type of certificate.