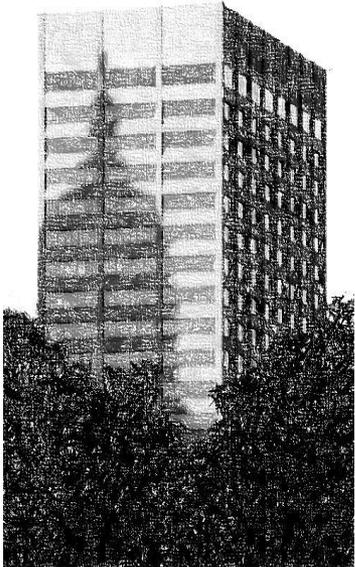


GCEL 2019



*Certification
Update*

AGENDA

- ❖ What's
Happened
- ❖ What's
Coming
- ❖ What's
Important

WHAT'S HAPPENED



*It's Been a Busy
Year*

WORKING FOR YOU

Busy Season Numbers: May – September 2018

	May	June	July	August	September	Total
CertHelp	1,869	2,760	2,625	3,450	3,220	13,924
HR Line	286	350	332	377	289	1,634
Paraprofessional	652	612	750	761	487	3,262
Waivers	105	101	110	225	133	674
Clearance	120	234	125	843	989	2,311
All Other Cases	9,289	10,468	12,245	11,789	11,507	55,298

2018 WAS A BUSY YEAR

Rule Updates Effective **April 2018**

- **Classification Rule:** Updated to correct the associate's degree equivalent from fifty-four (54) semester hours to sixty (60) semester hours.
- **Paraprofessional Rule:** Clarified coursework to meet the semester hour associate's degree equivalent requirement must be above the remedial level and earned with a grade of "C" or better.
- **Annual Performance Evaluation Rule:** Changed definition of certificated personnel to include Clearance certificate holders.
- **Career and Technical Specializations and Healthcare Science Rules:** Updated to add the Ethics Entry assessment as a requirement for the Induction Pathway 4 certificate.

2018 WAS A BUSY YEAR

Rule Updates Effective **July 2018**

- **Permit Rule:** Updated clarify the documents required for extension of the permit and to remove the GACE Program Admission Assessment requirement for extension of the JROTC permit.
- **Certification and Licensure Assessments Rule:** Updated to remove the edTPA requirement for conversion of the Induction Pathway 3 certificate.
- **School Psychology Rule:** Updated to add Georgia Association of School Psychologists (GASP) PLUs as acceptable credit for renewal of School Psychology certificates for unemployed educators.
- **Montessori Certificate Rule:** Created to provide a certification pathway for Montessori educators.

2018 WAS A BUSY YEAR

Rule Updates Effective **October 2018**

- **Support Personnel License Rule:** Updated to change the verbiage Individual Development Plan (IDP) to Professional Learning Plan (PLP) for consistency.
- **The Certification and Licensure Assessments Rule:** Amended as a result of the Military Support Certificate rule initiation. The rule update allows for a modified timeline for passing certification assessments for individuals applying for or holding the Military Support certificate.
- **Dramatic Writing Micro-Endorsement Rule:** Created to allow qualified teachers to teach this newly created course.

2018 WAS A BUSY YEAR

Rule Updates Effective **October 2018**

- **The Permit Rule:** Amended as a result of the Dramatic Writing Micro-Endorsement rule initiation. The update to the Permit rule allows for the Dramatic Writing Micro-Endorsement to be added to a permit in Drama and Audio/Video Technology & Film.
- **The Military Support Certificate Rule:** Created as a result of Georgia receiving grant funding for a Troops to Teachers program to support retiring service members interested in a second career in teaching. This certificate will also provide support to the spouses of active military members to ease the transition process.



WHAT'S COMING

LOOKING AHEAD

January 2019

The Certification Appeal rule will be updated to clarify that the effective date of an approved appeal will be the date the Appeal Committee determined to grant the request.

LOOKING AHEAD

April 2019 Rule Revisions

- **Academic Content Concentrations:** Removing HiQ language
- **Reading Specialist:** Aligning with newly revised Ed. Prep. rule
- **Non-Renewable Professional:** Adding the option for one-year NT for OOS educators without a content assessment
- **Renewal Requirements:** Clarifying the GACE re-take renewal option

LOOKING AHEAD

July 2019 Rule Revision

- **Early Childhood Education:** Renaming Elementary Education. It will remain a P-5 field.
- **Agriculture Education:** Expanding to P-12. A taskforce is currently working on standards and requirements. This work will result in revisions to several rules.

WHAT'S
IMPORTANT

*Remember
This*

RENEWAL

- ❖ Professional Learning for employed educators
 - ❖ Must indicate adequate progress when submitting Expresslane or EAF for renewal/reinstatement.
 - ❖ If educator did not meet PL at the time of renewal, a one-year Non-Renewable may be requested.
 - ❖ Renewal for 2019 will begin December 1, 2018 for educators who do NOT have unsatisfactory performance.

- ❖ Standard Renewal Requirements for those not employed as educators
 - ❖ Renewal coursework must have a grade of B or better
 - ❖ Retake and pass the GACE assessment in all fields of certification held
 - ❖ Professional licensure for certain fields or a valid NBPTS license

- ❖ If you employ an educator who has not met Standard Renewal Requirements, you may request a one-year Non-Renewable and upon completion of PL for the year you may request renewal.

INDUCTION CONVERSION

❖ Induction Pathway 1 and 2

- ❖ Three years of successful experience required
- ❖ Educators with no prior UNSATs may apply for conversion after the summative evaluation for the final year is complete and UNSATs have been signed off by Superintendent
- ❖ You may submit an Experience Verification Form reflecting satisfactory experience after May 1 of the year of expiration, along with the Certification Update Application.

❖ Induction Pathway 3

- ❖ Three years of successful experience in the preceding five years is required
- ❖ Must pass the GACE Educator Ethics – Program Exit Assessment

❖ Certificates will be issued a Performance-Based Professional if three years of successful GA experience was earned.

❖ We are discussing automated Induction Certificate conversions and other automated certificate processing.

WAIVING OR WAIVING?

Waiver Certificate:

- ❖ Georgia Code O.C.G.A. 50-13-9.1 (2010) requires posting of the request for a waiver for a **fifteen** day minimum on the GeorgiaNet Public Registry and you may conduct a search for the waiver on:

<https://services.georgia.gov/sos/sos-rw/>

- ❖ Must apply by submission of a waiver request to the attention of Kelli Young with application, VLP and transcripts. If not the first GA certificate, a \$20 fee applies.

Waiving Certification:

- ❖ Must apply for Clearance certificate through Expresslane with the application and VLP.

MILITARY SUPPORT CERTIFICATE

Certificate specifically designed to identify and support military veterans and military spouses to help ease the complexity of the reciprocity process and modifies the certification requirements timeline for veterans transitioning into their second careers in education.

MILITARY SUPPORT CERTIFICATE

- Military Support Induction Pathway 1 (MI1) – Traditional GA preparation
- Military Support Induction Pathway 2 (MI2) – OOS preparation, GA student teaching
- Military Support Induction Pathway 3 (MI3) – Completely OOS preparation or holding professional OOS certification
- Military Support Induction Pathway 4 (MI4) – Non-Traditional preparation
- Military Support Standard Professional (MSR)

MILITARY SUPPORT CERTIFICATE

Military Support Pathway 1 and 2 Certificate: Eligible individuals may request issuance of the certificate without the support of an employing LUA.

Military Support Pathway 3 Certificate: Individuals may be issued the certificate without the support of an employing LUA and prior to completion of Special Georgia Requirements. Outstanding requirements must be met prior to the end of the certificate validity period.

Standard Professional Military Support Certificate: Issued to individuals applying by reciprocity who meet all requirements to qualify for the professional certificate with the exception of Special Georgia Requirements and employment with a Georgia LUA. Special Georgia Requirements must be completed as part of the professional learning requirements for renewing or converting the certificate.

MILITARY SUPPORT IN4 CERTIFICATE

Initial Issuance
Bachelor's Degree (if required)
GACE Ethics – Program Entry
Employment
Acceptance into Troops to Teachers Program
Year 2 Issuance
Enroll in an Educator Prep Program
Passing score on GACE content assessment
Employment
Year 3 Issuance
Passing score on GACE Program Admission Assessment
Employment
Conversion to IN1, IN2, or SRT
Complete Educator Preparation Program to include special GA requirements
Pass GACE Educator Ethics – Program Exit
Pass <u>edTPA</u>
Complete industry testing and licensure requirements (if applicable)

TROOPS TO TEACHERS

- ❖ All eligible military members may apply for Troops To Teachers assistance.

- ❖ Some TTT participants may receive financial incentives to teach in an eligible or high-need school.

- ❖ To apply for benefits, service members must:
 - meet retirement/discharge requirements
 - apply within three years of separation
 - meet a three year commitment to teach

- ❖ Please email troopstoteachers@gapsc.com and let us know about your vacant or difficult to fill positions.

- ❖ For more information on the program, please visit www.proudtoserveagain.com.

Quality Assurance

- Complete applications are key to efficient processing.
- Submission of the EAF to convert the COE only applies to cases closed in the previous 90 days.
- Ethics documents included in a submission will be rejected with the code “Prohibited Documents”.
- Initial Paraprofessional requests based on assessment require a copy of HS diploma or HS transcript.
- Choosing the “Document Delivery” ExpressLane option will not open a certification case.
- Advise educators to use the Upgrade Advisor and certupgrade@gapsc.com to reduce denials and appeals.
- Using your tools and reports will cut down on calls/email and improve processing time:
 - MyCerts
 - Expresslane
 - Databank Certification Lists



STATUS CHECKS IN EXPRESSLANE

I. Find or enter an applicant

Please enter the applicant's Social Security Number **OR** Certification ID

SSN OR Certification ID

II. Your current and/or recently completed transactions

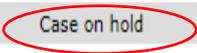
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- Show All Fax/upload not received Cases created last 90 days Cases closed last 90 days Cases on hold

Legend: [c] generate new cover sheet [w] withdraw transaction [u] upload file

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1373655		10/19/2018		Fax/upload received	[w]
769504		10/19/2018	Clearance	Case Closed 10/19/2018	
1581276		10/18/2018	Initial-System	Case Created 10/19/2018	
112594		10/18/2018		Rejected fax/upload - wrong file	[u] [c] [w]
684721		10/18/2018	Change Tier	Case Created 10/19/2018	
1751483		10/18/2018	Initial-System	Case Created 10/19/2018	
1763648		10/18/2018	Convert	Case Created 10/19/2018	
1457272		10/18/2018	Convert	Case Created 10/19/2018	
1519549		10/18/2018	Add Renewable	Case Created 10/19/2018	
445478		10/16/2018	Clearance	Case Closed 10/16/2018	
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1120713		10/16/2018	Initial-System	Case on hold	

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[Return to the ExpressLane home page](#)

Applicant: [REDACTED]

CertID: 1120713

The following information comes directly from our database and is current as of 10/19/2018 8:32:53 PM . If you have any questions or feel there are inaccuracies, please contact us as soon as possible by email at CertHelp@GAPSC.com. For questions concerning educator disciplinary matters, email ethics@gapsc.com

VLP Status: Lawful Presence has been validated.

Exceptional Children Course: NO

Fields in ~~background~~ with a RED background have expired. If all fields have expired, the certificate has expired.

Type	Field	First Issued	Current Issued	Begin Validity	End Validity
C	CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE [FLD694]	2015-02-11	2015-02-11	2015-07-01	2020-06-30

The Clearance certificate is issued at the request of a the employing Georgia local unit of administration (LUA) to educators who satisfactorily complete fingerprint and background check requirements and do not have a certificate that is currently revoked or suspended in Georgia or any other state. All educators employed by a Georgia LUA must hold a Clearance certificate. There are no academic requirements necessary to qualify for this certificate. All holders of this certificate are subject to the Georgia Code of Ethics for Educators.

PARA	PARAPROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR (Associate Degree or equivalent) [FLD691]	2015-02-11	2015-02-11	2015-07-01	2020-06-30
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The Paraprofessional license is issued to eligible individuals hired as Paraprofessionals. It has no assigned level. In order to renew this license, the license holder must be employed as a Paraprofessional in a Georgia local unit of administration and complete standard professional learning requirements for renewal.

PST	PRE-SERVICE CERTIFICATION [FLD696]	2017-12-29	2017-12-29	2016-05-16	2021-06-30
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The Pre-Service certificate is not a professional certificate. The certificate is issued to a candidate enrolled in an educator preparation program and who has successfully completed a background check conducted by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission. The bearer of this certificate is in-field to participate in supervised field experience, clinical practice, student teaching, or residency work consistent with requirements of his/her educator preparation program.

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PARA	PARAPROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR [FLD691]	2011-03-15	2011-03-15	2010-11-29	2015-06-30
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Case history

Date Opened	Description	Evaluator/Clerk	Date Closed
2018-10-16	* Initial-System	Tony Dopson	Holding
2017-12-28	Pre-Service	* PRE-SERVICE REQUEST	2017-12-29
2015-02-13	* Lawful Presence	VLP	2015-02-15

Documents received and on-file

Action	Date received	Description
View	2018-10-16	ExpressLane Application
View	2017-12-28	ExpressLane Application
View	2015-02-13	ExpressLane Application

Test results are on-file for the following areas...

Description	Effective Date
Early Childhood (Passed-Induction)	2017-11-13
edTPA Elementary Education (Passed)	2018-05-03
Educator Ethics - Program Entry	2017-11-11
Educator Ethics - Program Exit	2017-10-09

The following correspondence has been sent to the educator.

Action	Title	Date Posted
View	NEW - Hold Letter	2018-10-19

NOTE: NEW appended to the correspondence title indicates that the candidate did not view the correspondence yet.

Last Modified 10/18/2018

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Professional Standards Commission 1 / 1

Thank you for your recent submission to the Professional Standards Commission. We received your application request; however, we are unable to proceed because we have not received all required documents.

Please submit the following missing documents to complete your application package:

- Approved Program Completion Form
- Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- \$20.00 processing fee payable through your MyPSC account.

All forms may be downloaded at <http://www.gapsc.com/Certification/FormsAndApplications.aspx>. Most documents may be submitted online through the Applications section of your MyPSC account. Official college/university transcripts may not be submitted through MyPSC. They may be submitted electronically by a Georgia LUA, emailed to mail@gapsc.com through a secure transcript service, or mailed to the address above.

Your application will be processed based on the latest date on which the final required documents were received. If you would like to know the current waiting time, please visit our website at www.gapsc.com. All other information pertaining to your case is available online through your MyPSC account (<http://mypsc.gapsc.org>). After your case is processed, you will be instructed by email to access your MyPSC account to retrieve the new document or certificate.

Please Note: If the required documents are not received within 90 days of the date of this letter, your case will automatically close. If your case closes, you will be required to submit a new application with the missing documentation outlined above to generate a new case. All other previously submitted documents will remain on your file and will not need to be resubmitted.

Sincerely,

Georgia Professional Standards Commission
Certification Division



Databank Certification Lists

Data Bank

Category: Certification lists

Report: Educators with ANY credentials expiring this year

School System: [REDACTED]

School Building: -- All buildings --

Report Description: A list of educators in a selected school system and (optionally) a specific school building with certificates to be expired this academic year.

Include SSNs: No

Clear

Printable view

Download records in comma-delimited format

Download records in Excel format

Cert ID	Last name	First name	Middle Initial	Building	Condition	Type	Cert level	Effective date	Cert code	Cert field	Validity date	Expiration date	Not prof.
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	IN3	T	5	12/08/16	FLD755	HISTORY (6-12)	12/08/16	06/30/19	
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SI	T	5	12/08/16	FLD798	SP ED GENERAL CURRICULUM (P-12) CONSULTATIVE	07/01/17	06/30/19	

REMEMBER

We must all work together

Support

- Certification.helpdesk@gapsc.com
- 404-334-6462 – (inside the metro Atlanta area)
- 800-390-6698 – (outside the metro Atlanta area)

Training and Outreach

- Individualized Training Sessions
 - Email cert_training@gapsc.com
- Outreach Sessions Spring 2019
 - Atlanta
 - Houston County

Outreach 2019 will be a hands-on learning environment and include access to reference material to assist LUAs and IHEs with certification transactions and requirements.

If you have not received an email concerning Spring 2019 Outreach, please email cert_training@gapsc.com to be added to the email list.

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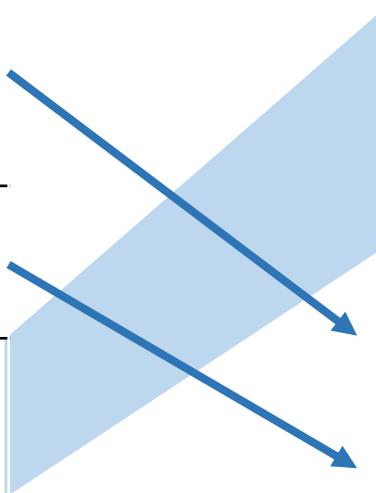
Program Admission Assessment Re-generation

2/11/2019

Redesigned **MATHEMATICS**

	Subarea	Approx. Pct.
I	Number and Quantity	30%
II	Algebra and Functions	30%
III	Geometry	20%
IV	Statistics and Probability	20%

	Subarea	Approx. Pct.
I	Number and Quantity	36%
II	Statistics and Probability	32%
III-A	Algebra	20%
III-B	Geometry	12%



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Standard Setting Reminder

2/11/2019

Proposed Recommendation

Reporting Year	GACE Initial Teaching Content Induction Passing Score
9/1/2017-8/31/2018	220 (-2 SEMs below GA recommendation)
9/1/2018-8/31/2019	220
On or after 9/1/2019	235 (-1 SEM below GA recommendation)

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Program Admission Assessment Exemptions Reminder

2/11/2019

PAA Exemption Adjustment

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Options To Satisfy The Program Admission Assessment Requirement

Currently there are several ways to meet the Georgia Program Admission assessment requirement:

- Having the required minimum SAT®, ACT®, or GRE® score. Actual scores, not exemption codes, are required.
 - SAT®
 - For SAT® Score Reports dated **prior to 7/1/19**
 - 1000 on Verbal/Critical Reading, and Math, OR
 - 1000 on Evidence based Reading/Writing and Math
 - For recentering SAT® scores prior to April, 1995, [click here](#).
 - For Score Reports dated **on or after 7/1/19**
 - 1080 on Evidence based Reading/Writing AND Math
 - Only scores from the official SAT® (English version) can be considered.
 - To obtain your SAT® scores **by mail**: Download the [request form](#) (__.pdf) ([requires Adobe Reader](#)) and mail to: SAT Program, P.O. Box 8057, Mt. Vernon, IL 62864. **By phone**: For an additional fee of \$10, you can call 866-756-7346 to order archived reports.



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Virtual Professional Learning Communities

1.edTPA

2. Teacher Leadership

3. Educational Leadership

Contact annemarie.fenton@gaspc.com

for information.



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edTPA Virtual Professional Learning Community (edTPA-VPLC)

Topic: Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Pedagogy

March 15, 2019, 1:30pm – 2:45pm

April 10, 2019, 1:30pm – 2:45pm

Need Assistance with Assessment?

Assessment Policy or Implementation:

annemarie.fenton@gapsc.com

GACE assistance: GACESupport@ets.org

edTPA assistance: edTPAEPPSupport@pearson.com

GACE Preparation: www.ets.org

edTPA Preparation: www.edtpa.com



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Collaboration





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How Can We Support You?

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