

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

Statutory Authority: 14 Delaware Code, Section 122(d) (14 **Del.C.** §122(d))
14 **DE Admin. Code** 360

FINAL

REPEAL OF REGULATION 360 CERTIFICATION EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHER SPECIAL EDUCATION

ORDER REPEALING RULES AND REGULATIONS

I. Summary of the Evidence and Information Submitted

The Professional Standards Board, acting in cooperation and consultation with the Department of Education, seeks the consent of the State Board of Education to repeal 14 **DE Admin. Code** §360 Certification Early Childhood Teacher Special Education. It is necessary to repeal this regulation as it has been replaced by 14 **DE Admin. Code** §1570 Standard Certificate Early Childhood Teacher Special Education Birth to Grade 2.

Notice of the proposed repeal of the regulation was published in the News Journal and the Delaware State News on December 29, 2006, in the form hereto attached as Exhibit "A". The notice invited written comments. Written comment has been received from the Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens and the State Council For Persons With Disabilities who were both concerned about the statutory authorization granted to the Department of Education and the DHSS, and the relationship to each group's ability to certify educators working with these younger children. After further review, the Professional Standards Board felt it was within their purview to promulgate certification regulations in this area.

II. Findings of Facts

The Professional Standards Board and the State Board of Education find that it is appropriate to repeal the regulation as the subject has been replaced by 14 **DE Admin. Code** §1570 Standard Certificate Early Childhood Teacher Special Education Birth to Grade 2.

III. Decision to Repeal the Regulations

For the foregoing reasons, the Professional Standards Board and the State Board of Education conclude the identified regulation should be repealed. Therefore, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1203 and §1205(b)., the regulation attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is hereby repealed.

IV. Text and Citation

The text of 14 **DE Admin. Code** §360 attached hereto as Exhibit "B" is repealed, and said regulation shall be deleted from the *Administrative Code of Regulations* for the Department of Education.

V. Effective Date Of Order

The effective date of this Order shall be ten (10) days from the date this Order is published in the *Delaware Register of Regulations*.

APPROVED BY THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2007.

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FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:
Valerie A. Woodruff, Secretary of Education

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2007.

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~~360 Certification Early Childhood Teacher Special Education~~

~~Effective July 1, 1978~~

1.0 Standard License

~~The following shall be required for the Standard License for those teaching young children with disabilities (3 to 6 years of age) who are mildly and moderately disabled.~~

~~1.1 Bachelor's degree from an accredited college and;~~

~~1.2 Professional Education~~

~~1.2.1 Completion of a program in Young Preschool Exceptional Children or;~~

~~1.2.2 Completion of a teacher education program for Exceptional Children and;~~

~~1.2.2.1 Three semester hours Preschool Programming for Exceptional Children~~

~~1.2.2.2 Three semester hours Child Development (unless covered in program)~~

~~1.2.2.3 Three semester hours Language Development (unless covered in program)~~

~~1.2.2.4 Limited Standard License issued upon completion of a program for Exceptional~~

~~Children with remaining courses listed above to be completed within three years or;~~

~~1.2.3 Completion of a teacher education program in Early Childhood and;~~

~~1.2.3.1 Three semester hours Introduction to Exceptional Children~~

~~1.2.3.2 Three semester hours Preschool Program for Exceptional Children~~

~~1.2.3.3 Three semester hours Language Development (unless covered in program)~~

~~1.2.3.4 Limited Standard License issued upon completion of a program for Early~~

~~Childhood with the remaining courses listed above to be completed within three years or;~~

~~1.2.4 Completion of a teacher education program in Elementary Education and;~~

~~1.2.4.1 Three semester hours Introduction to Exceptional Children~~

~~1.2.4.2 Six semester hours Child Development (unless covered in program)~~

~~1.2.4.3 Three semester hours Preschool Programming for Exceptional Children~~

~~1.2.4.4 Three semester hours Assessment of Young Children or Educational Diagnosis of~~

~~Exceptional Children~~

~~1.2.4.5 Three semester hours Language Development (unless covered in program)~~

~~1.2.4.6 Three semester hours Student Teaching Preschool Exceptional Children or internship in lieu of student teaching~~

~~1.2.4.7 Limited Standard License issued upon completion of a program in Elementary Education and two of the courses listed above with the remaining courses to be completed within three years or;~~

- 1.2.5 Completion of a teacher education program in Secondary Education and,
 - 1.2.5.1 Six semester hours Child Growth and Development
 - 1.2.5.2 Three semester hours Language Development
 - 1.2.5.3 Three semester hours Introduction to Exceptional Children
 - 1.2.5.4 Three semester hours Preschool Programming for Exceptional Children
 - 1.2.5.5 Three semester hours Assessment of Young Children or Educational Diagnosis of

Exceptional Children

- 1.2.5.6 Three semester hours Methods of Teaching Reading
- 1.2.5.7 Three semester hours Methods of Teaching Mathematics
- 1.2.5.8 Three semester hours Behavior Management
- 1.2.5.9 Six semester hours Student Teaching Preschool Exceptional Children or

internship in lieu of student teaching

1.2.5.10 The Limited Standard License may be issued upon completion of a program in Secondary Education and four of the first six courses listed above with the remaining courses listed above to be completed within three years.

~~2.0 Present Preschool Exceptional Children Teachers Protected~~

2.1 Those teachers authorized to teach classes of preschool exceptional children prior to April 20, 1978 on the basis of a standard exceptional children teaching License and who have the recommendation of the local district superintendent shall be authorized to continue in such a teaching assignment in the district where the assignment was authorized. Authorization to teach in this circumstance does not constitute a License transferable to any other school district.

~~3.0 Licenses that may be issued for this position include Standard and Limited Standard.~~ 10 DE Reg. 1434 (03/01/07) (Final)