DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

Statutory Authority: 14 Delaware Code, Section 122(d) (14 **Del.C.** §122(d)) 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1571

FINAL

REGULATORY IMPLEMENTING ORDER

1571 Exceptional Children Special Education Teacher

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 amend 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1571 Exceptional Children Special Education Teacher. The regulation concerns the requirements for certification of educational personnel, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a). It is necessary to review this regulation in order to comply with the 5 year regulation review process. A small amendment for clarification has been deemed necessary. This regulation sets forth the requirements for an Exceptional Children Special Education Teacher.

Notice of the proposed amendment of the regulation was published in the Delaware *Register of Regulations* on November 1, 2012. The notice invited written comments. No written comments were received.

II. FINDINGS OF FACTS

The Professional Standards Board and the State Board of Education find that it is appropriate to amend this regulation to comply with changes in statute.

III. DECISION TO AMEND THE REGULATION

For the foregoing reasons, the Professional Standards Board and the State Board of Education conclude that it is appropriate to amend the regulation. Therefore, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1205(b), the regulation attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby amended. Pursuant to the provision of 14 **Del.C.** §122(e), the regulation hereby amended shall be in effect for a period of five years from the effective date of this order as set forth in Section V. below.

IV. TEXT AND CITATION

The text of the regulation amended shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and said regulation shall be cited as 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1571 of the Administrative Code of Regulations of the Professional Standards Board.

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 6TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012

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IT IS SO ORDERED the 20th day of December, 2012.

Department of Education

Approved this 20th day of December, 2012

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1.0 Content

- 1.1 This regulation shall apply to the issuance of a Standard Certificate, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), for Exceptional Children Special Education Teacher. This certification is required for grades K to 12. Notwithstanding the above, the Early Childhood Exceptional Children Special Education Teacher certification may be used for K to grade 2 in lieu of this certification.
- 1.2 Except as otherwise provided, the requirements set forth in 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1505 Standard Certificate, including any subsequent amendment or revision thereto, are incorporated herein by reference.

2.0 Definitions

The definitions set forth in 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1505 Standard Certificate, including any subsequent amendment or revision thereto, are incorporated herein by reference.

3.0 Standard Certificate

- In accordance with 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), the Department shall issue a Standard Certificate as an Exceptional Children Special Education Teacher to an educator who has met the following:
 - 3.1.1 Holds a valid Delaware Initial, Continuing, or Advanced License; or a Limited Standard, Standard or Professional Status Certificate issued by the Department prior to August 31, 2003; and,
 - 3.1.2 Has met the requirements as set forth in 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1505 Standard Certificate, including any subsequent amendment or revision thereto.

7 DE Reg. 775 (12/1/03) Renumbered effective 6/1/07 - see Conversion Table 11 DE Reg. 671 (11/01/07) 16 DE Reg. 766 (01/01/13) (Final)