DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

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

14 **DE Admin. Code** 1556

FINAL

REGULATORY IMPLEMENTING ORDER

1556 School To Work Transition 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** 1556 School to Work Transition Teacher. The regulation concerns the requirements for certification of educational personnel, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a). It is necessary to amend this regulation to allow for the Jobs for Delaware Graduate Office to provide necessary professional development to teacher candidates when necessary. This regulation sets forth the requirements for a School to Work Transition Teacher.

Notice of the proposed amendment of the regulation was published in the *News Journal* and the *Delaware State News* on April 1, 2011 in the form hereto attached as Exhibit "A". The notice invited written comments. Written comments received from the State Council for Persons with Disabilities and the Governor's Advisory Committee for Exceptional Citizens have been incorporated in the regulation without substantively impacting the published regulation.

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 "B" 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 "B", and said regulation shall be cited as 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1584 of the *Administrative Code of Regulations* of 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 5TH DAY OF APRIL, 2011

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IT IS SO ORDERED the 19th day of May, 2011.

Department of Education Lillian M. Lowery, Ed. D., Secretary of Education

Approved this 19th day of May, 2011

State Board of Education

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1.0 Content

- <u>1.1</u> This regulation shall apply to the requirements for issuance of a Standard Certificate, pursuant to 14 Del.C. §1220(a), for School to Work Transition Teacher. School to Work Transition Teachers, provide work transition training, counseling and assistance to students in This certification is required for grades 9 to 12 and is valid in a Middle Level school, grades 6 8.
- 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 following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

- 2.1 <u>The definitions set forth in 14</u> **DE Admin. Code** 1505 Standard Certificate, including any subsequent amendment or revision thereto, are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2.2 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Department" means the Delaware Department of Education.

"License" means a credential which authorizes the holder to engage in the practice for which the license is issued.

"Standard Cortificate" means a credential issued to certify that an educator has the prescribed knowledge, skill, or education to practice in a particular area, teach a particular subject, or teach a category of students.

<u>"School to Work Transition</u>" means the provision of work transition training, counseling and assistance to, and support in meeting graduation requirements for public high school students.

3.0 Standard Certificate

- 3.1 In accordance with 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), the Department shall issue a Standard Certificate as a School to Work Transition Teacher to an applicant [**who**] holds a valid Delaware Initial, Continuing, or Advanced License; or Standard or Professional Status Certificate issued by the Department prior to August 31, 2003, and who meets the following requirements who has met the following:
 - 3.1.1 Holds a valid Delaware Initial, Continuing, or Advanced License; or a 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.

4.0 Additional Requirements

[Additional requirements]

- 4.1 An educator must also have met the following additional education requirements:
- 3.1 Educational Requirements.
 - 3.1.1 Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university; and
 - 34.1.21 <u>Has completed</u> <u>⊨eighteen</u> (18) semester hours of <u>or the equivalent in</u> course work <u>in education or</u> <u>professional development</u>, to include three semester hours in each of the following areas:

- 34.1.2.1 Educational Psychology, Human Growth and Development and Adolescent Psychology;
- 34.1.2.2 Tools and Techniques in Counseling;
- 34.1.2.3 Methods of Teaching School to Work Transition Students;
- <u>34</u>.1.2.4 Job Development Training;
- 34.1.2.5 Career Guidance and Information; and
- 3<u>4</u>.1.2.6 Occupational and Educational Information.
- 4.1.2 Professional development programs developed by the Jobs for Delaware Graduates (JDG) Office_and approved by the Department may be substituted.

34.2 An educator must also have [met the following Eexperience Rrequirements.:

34.2.1 <u>**Has**</u>] <u>completed</u> A<u>a</u> minimum of two years of continuous, full time work experience in trade, business, <u>education, social services</u> or industry; or experience comparable to school to work transition, as approved <u>by the Department</u>.

9 DE Reg. 136 (7/1/05)

14 DE Reg. 1355 (06/01/11) (Final)

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