

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD
Statutory Authority: 14 Delaware Code, Section 122(e) (14 Del.C. §122(d))
14 DE Admin. Code 1531**

REGULATORY IMPLEMENTING ORDER

1531 Standard Certificate School Leader I

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** 1531 Certification Administrative School Leader I. This regulation applies to the certification of educators as school administrators, pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a). It is necessary to amend this regulation to delete references to Director of Special Education, which will remain as an independent regulation.

Notice of the proposed amendment of the regulation was published in the *News Journal* and the *Delaware State News* on November 23, 2004, in the form hereto attached as Exhibit "A". The notice invited written comments. No comments were received.

II. Findings Of Facts

The Professional Standards Board and the State Board of Education find that it is appropriate to adopt this regulation to align it with changes in 14 **DE Admin. Code** 307.

III. Decision To Adopt 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 adopted. 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** 1531 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 3RD DAY of FEBRUARY, 2005.

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

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 17TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2005.

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1.0 Content.

1.1 The following shall apply to the issuance of a Standard Certificate for Directors, Supervisors, Administrative Assistants, Coordinators, and Managers in instructional areas, except Directors of Special Education (See 14 DE Code 1523), pursuant to 14 Del.C. §1220.

7 DE Reg. 190 (8/1/03)

7 DE Reg. 1744 (6/1/04)

2.0 Definitions.

2.1 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“**Standards Board**” means the Professional Standards Board established pursuant to 14 Del.C. §1201.

“**Standard Certificate**” means a credential issued to verify that an educator has the prescribed knowledge, skill and/or education to practice in a particular area, teach a particular subject, or teach a category of students.

“**State Board**” means the State Board of Education of the State of Delaware established pursuant to 14 Del.C. §104.

“**Teaching Experience**” means meeting students on a regularly scheduled basis, planning and delivering instruction, developing or preparing instructional materials, and evaluating student performance in any pK-12 setting.

7 DE Reg. 190 (8/1/03)

7 DE Reg. 1744 (6/1/04)

3.0 The following shall be required for the Standard Certificate for Directors, Supervisor, Administrative Assistants, Coordinators, and Managers in instructional areas.

3.1 Educational requirements

3.1.1 A master’s degree in educational leadership from an NCATE or state approved program where the state approval body employed the appropriate NASDTEC or NCATE specialty organization standards from a regionally accredited college or university, or

3.1.2 A master’s degree in education offered by an NCATE specialty organization recognized educator preparation program or from a state approved educator preparation program where the state approval body employed the appropriate NCATE specialty organization standards from a regionally accredited college or university and a current and valid equivalent central office administrative certificate from another state, or

3.1.3 A master’s degree in any field from a regionally accredited college or university and successful completion of a Delaware approved alternative routes to certification program for school leaders. Until approval and implementation of an alternatives routes to certification program occurs, candidates completing the Standard Certificate in accordance with 3.1.3.1 of this regulation shall fulfill the following requirements;

3.1.3.1 A minimum of twenty-four semester hours of graduate level course work, completed either as part of the master’s degree or in addition to it, in administration, to include at least one course in each of the following areas:

- 3.1.3.1.1 Curriculum Development,
- 3.1.3.1.2 Supervision/Evaluation of Staff,
- 3.1.3.1.3 Human Relations, and
- 3.1.3.1.4 School Law/Legal Issues and
- 3.1.3.1.5 In the area(s) to be supervised (may include courses in curriculum, instruction, and/or

methods), and

3.2 Experience requirements

3.2.1 A minimum of three (3) years of teaching experience at the pK-12 level. ~~Teaching experience for Directors, Supervisors, Administrative Assistants, Coordinators, and Managers of programs for exceptional children must have been with exceptional children.~~

7 DE Reg. 190 (8/1/03)

7 DE Reg. 1744 (6/1/04)

8 DE Reg. 1301 (3/1/05)