

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD**

Statutory Authority: 14 Delaware Code, Section 1205(b) (14 **Del.C.** §1205(b))  
14 **DE Admin. Code** 1534

**FINAL**

**Regulatory Implementing Order**

**1534 Middle Level Social Studies 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** 1534 Middle Level Social Studies Teacher. It is necessary to amend this regulation in order to clarify the ability of a Delaware educator who holds a standard certificate in Secondary Social Studies to teach Middle Level Social Studies, grades 6-8, in a Middle Level School. This regulation sets forth the requirements for a Middle Level Social Studies Teacher.

Notice of the proposed amendment of the regulation was published in the *News Journal* and the *Delaware State News* on Monday, June 2, 2008 in the form hereto attached as Exhibit "A". 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 "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** 1534 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 ON THE 7TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2008

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**FOR IMPLEMENTATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:**

Valerie A. Woodruff, Secretary of Education

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2008

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**1534 Middle Level Social Studies Teacher**

**1.0 Content**

- 1.1 This regulation shall apply to the issuance of a Standard Certificate pursuant to 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), for Middle Level Social Studies Teacher. This certification is required for grades 6, 7 and 8 in a Middle Level school. Notwithstanding the above requirement, the Secondary Social Studies Teacher Certification may be used for grades 6, 7 and 8 in a Middle Level school 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**

- 2.1 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**

- 3.1 In accordance with 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), the Department shall issue a Standard Certificate as a Middle Level Social Studies 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.

**11 DE Reg. 754 (12/01/07)**

**12 DE Reg. 336 (09-01-08) (Final)**