

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD**

Statutory Authority: 14 Delaware Code, Section 122(d) (14 **Del.C.** §122(d))  
14 **DE Admin. Code** 1558

**FINAL**

**REGULATORY IMPLEMENTING ORDER**

**1558 Theater Teacher**

**I. SUMMARY OF THE EVIDENCE AND INFORMATION SUBMITTED**

The Professional Standards Board, acting in cooperation and collaboration with the Department of Education, seeks the consent of the State Board of Education to amend regulation 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1558 Theater 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. One small change has been deemed necessary. This regulation sets forth the requirements for a Theater Teacher.

Notice of the proposed amendment of the regulation was published in the Delaware *Register of Regulations* on December 1, 2012. 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 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** 1558 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 3<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2013**

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**IT IS SO ORDERED the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.**

**Department of Education**

Mark Murphy, Secretary of Education

Approved this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013

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## 1558 Theater 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 Theater Teacher. This certification is required for grades 9 to12, and is valid in grades 5 to 8 in a Middle Level school.
- 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.
- 2.2 The following words and terms, when used in this regulation, shall have the following meaning unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“**Approved Accrediting Agency**” means a National, Regional, or Specialized Accrediting agency or association that appears on the list of recognized accrediting agencies published by the United States Secretary of Education or any other accrediting agency the Delaware Secretary of Education, deems within his or her discretion, to be reliable or be equivalent to those on the published list.

“**Accredited institution**” means an institution that has received accreditation from an approved accrediting agency.

### 3.0 Standard Certificate

- 3.1 In accordance with 14 **Del.C.** §1220(a), the Department shall issue a Standard Certificate as a Theater 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; and,
  - 3.1.3 Has satisfied the additional requirements in this regulation.

### 4.0 Additional Requirements

If an examination of content knowledge such as Praxis II is not applicable and available, in the area the Standard Certificate is requested, an educator must also meet the following:

- 4.1 If the educator is applying for their second Standard Certificate pursuant to 14 **DE Admin. Code** 1505 Standard Certificate 3.1.5;
  - 4.1.1 Has satisfactorily completed fifteen (15) credits or their equivalent in professional development related to Theater, selected by the applicant with the approval of the employing school district or charter school which is submitted to the Department; or
  - 4.1.2 Has obtained certification in Theater from an accredited institution.

**11 DE Reg. 1235 (03/01/08)**

**16 DE Reg. 849 (02/01/13) (Final)**