

WSR 22-23-149

PROPOSED RULES

PARAEDUCATOR BOARD

[Filed November 22, 2022, 10:51 a.m.]

Original Notice.

Preproposal statement of inquiry was filed as WSR 19-05-031.

Title of Rule and Other Identifying Information: Chapter 179-17 WAC, requirements to attain the advanced paraeducator certificate.

Hearing Location(s): On January 11, 2023, at 8:00 a.[m.], at Hilton Garden Inn Olympia, 2101 Henderson Park Lane S.E., Olympia, WA 98501. A link to listen to the meeting virtually will also be available several weeks prior to the meeting. More information regarding this can be found on our website <https://www.pesb.wa.gov/about-us/board-meetings/>.

Date of Intended Adoption: January 11, 2023.

Submit Written Comments to: Paraeducator Board, 600 Washington Street S.E., Room 151B, Olympia, WA 98504, email paraboard@k12.wa.us, by January 9, 2023.

Assistance for Persons with Disabilities: Contact professional educator standards board, phone 360-725-6275, email pesb@k12.wa.us, by December 28, 2022.

Purpose of the Proposal and Its Anticipated Effects, Including Any Changes in Existing Rules: Amend rule to state when a paraeducator may begin training to meet the requirements of the advanced paraeducator certificate. The amendment will articulate that training may begin after a date of issuance.

Reasons Supporting Proposal: The amendment will align the rule with language impacting other educators in the state. In addition, the rule change will clearly articulate when a paraeducator may begin training to complete the advanced certificate.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: Chapter 28A.413 RCW.

Statute Being Implemented: Chapter 28A.413 RCW.

Rule is not necessitated by federal law, federal or state court decision.

Name of Proponent: Paraeducator board, governmental.

Name of Agency Personnel Responsible for Drafting and Implementation: Liisa Preslan, P.O. Box 47236, 600 Washington Street S.E., Olympia, WA 98504-7236, 360-790-2103; Enforcement: Erica Hernandez-Scott, P.O. Box 47236, 600 Washington Street S.E., Olympia, WA 98504-7236, 360-890-2443.

A school district fiscal impact statement is not required under RCW 28A.305.135.

A cost-benefit analysis is not required under RCW 34.05.328. There is no cost to the state.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act because the proposal:

Is exempt under RCW 19.85.025(3) as the rules adopt, amend, or repeal a procedure, practice, or requirement relating to agency hearings; or a filing or related process requirement for applying to an agency for a license or permit.

Scope of exemption for rule proposal:

Is fully exempt.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-17-012, filed 8/2/18, effective 9/2/18)

WAC 179-17-030 Minimum requirements. Prior to completing continuing education credit hours for the advanced paraeducator certificate, the ~~((paraeducator must meet requirements and apply for))~~ Washington office of superintendent of public instruction must issue the general paraeducator certificate to the paraeducator.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 28A.413 RCW. WSR 18-17-012, § 179-17-030, filed 8/2/18, effective 9/2/18.]