

WSR 23-03-113
PERMANENT RULES
PARAEDUCATOR BOARD

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Effective Date of Rule: September 1, 2023.

Purpose: Amend rule to state when a paraeducator may begin training to meet the requirements of the advanced paraeducator certificate. The amendment will articulate training may begin after a date of issuance. 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.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 179-17-030.

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

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 22-23-149 on January 11, 2023 [November 22, 2022].

Changes Other than Editing from Proposed to Adopted Version: We corrected a grammatical error to ensure clarity and changed "prior to" to "before["] to align with plain talk guidance. In the proposed language, paraeducators were the indirect object of the sentence which created ambiguity, so in the adopted version we changed the language to make them the subject of the sentence, as the guidance is around actions they must take.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

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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)) Before completing continuing education credit hours for the advanced paraeducator certificate, the paraeducator must ((meet requirements and apply for)) be issued the general paraeducator certificate by the Washington office of the superintendent of public instruction.

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