

**WSR 23-22-073**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**SUPERINTENDENT OF**  
**PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Transition to kindergarten; establish a new chapter within Title 392 WAC and amend chapters 392-121 and 392-122 WAC.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28A.300.072 and 28A.150.290.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: In alignment with 2SHB 1550, passed by the Washington state legislature in 2023, the office of superintendent of public instruction (OSPI) is considering rule making concerning transition to kindergarten programs. The proposed rules would provide for program administration, allocation of state funding, and minimum standards and requirements for transition to kindergarten programs. In addition, technical changes to apportionment sections may be considered.

Process for Developing New Rule: Early solicitation of feedback and recommendations concerning new or amended rules, and consideration of comments and recommendations in the course of drafting rule language.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Samantha Bowen, Early Learning Director, OSPI, P.O. Box 47200, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 509-200-0157, TTY 360-664-3631, email [samantha.bowen@k12.wa.us](mailto:samantha.bowen@k12.wa.us), website [ospi.k12.wa.us](http://ospi.k12.wa.us).

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