

**WSR 24-24-096
PERMANENT RULES
PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR
STANDARDS BOARD**

[Filed December 3, 2024, 11:56 a.m., effective January 3, 2025]

Effective Date of Rule: Thirty-one days after filing.

Purpose: The WAC will be updated to fix a typographical error.

This will clarify the program standards that school counselor programs need to meet during their review.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 181-78A-225.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: Chapter 28A.410 RCW.

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 24-20-049 on December 3, 2024 [September 25, 2024].

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-20-052, filed 9/28/21, effective 10/29/21)

WAC 181-78A-225 Acceptance of alternative standards and additions to national standards for school counselor and school psychologist preparation programs. (1) For a given program, the professional educator standards board may allow the substitution of alternative national standards for program approval standards for school counselor and school psychologist program approval, if they are deemed by the board to be equivalent to the board-adopted national standards for the role (WAC 181-78A-220 (2) through (5)).

(2) The professional educator standards board has deemed necessary the following additions to the standards adopted by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP):

WAC 181-78A-232 (1) (a) and (2) (d); 181-78A-233 (2) (c); 181-78A-234 (2) (c) and (d); 181-78A-235 (1) (b), (2) (b) and (d), (3) (b) and (c); and 181-78A-236 (1) (a), (2) (c) and (f), and (4) (a).

(3) The professional educator standards board has deemed necessary the following additions to the standards adopted by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP):

WAC 181-78A-232 (2) (d); 181-78A-233 (2) (c); 181-78A-234 (1) (a) and (b), (2) (a), (c), and (d); 181-78A-235 (1) (b), (2) (a), (b), and (d), (3) (b) and (c); 181-78A-236 (2) (c) and (f); and 181-78A-237 (1) (b).

(4) The professional educator standards board may allow the substitution of national standards (e.g., the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) teacher education standards) for program approval with any additions deemed necessary by the professional educator standards board. National standards may also be approved for programs in specific endorsement areas if they are deemed to be equivalent to state standards.