

South Dakota Board of Education
Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held at Southeast Technical Institute, Mickelson Center, MC101, 2320 B Career Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota on March 24, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. CST, to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed rules in Article 24:05 (Special Education), Article 24:15 (Certification), and Article 24:53 (Teacher Preparation Programs).

The effect of the changes to Article 24:05 (Special Education) is to remove unused definitions, update outdated language to reflect current names, and update the definition of certain evaluators to reflect licensure by an outside agency instead of certification through the Department of Education. The reason for adopting the proposed rules is for clean-up and clarification of the definitions in this article and to reflect new rules requiring licensure of certain evaluators by outside agencies

The effect of the changes to Article 24:15 (Certification) is to remove outdated language. The reason for adopting the proposed rules is for clean-up and clarification of the focus of the articles.

The effect of the changes to Article 24:53 (Teacher Preparation Programs) is to remove speech/language pathologists from the definition of "Other School Personnel" and remove language which is no longer needed. The reason for adopting the proposed rules is for clean-up and clarification of this article.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to: ATTN: Ferne Haddock, South Dakota Department of Education, 800 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota 57501; or at this website: <https://rules.sd.gov/default.aspx>. Material sent by mail must reach the Department of Education by March 19, 2014, to be considered.

After the hearing, the board will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The board may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Department of Education at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-3553.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the South Dakota Department of Education, Attn: Ferne Haddock, 800 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota 57501 or at this website: <http://www.doe.sd.gov/board/index.aspx>

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