NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CHAPTER PI 34 EDUCATOR LICENSES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to s. 115.28 (7) (a), Stats., the Department of Public Instruction will hold a public hearing as required under s. 227.16, Stats., to consider the promulgation of CR 21-077, amending PI 34 relating to educator preparation program and licensing flexibilities. The hearing will be held via conference call only in the manner as follows:

Date and Time: Monday, November 1, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. Location (Conference Call Only): +1 608-620-9781, Phone Conference ID: 726 776 729#

The proposed rule amends ch. PI 34 to provide educator preparation programs the latitude to address student teaching requirements in the clinical programs they offer. The proposed rule provides that a teaching candidate's pre-student teaching requirements may be completed in a variety of settings related to effective instruction, safe and supported students, family and community engagement, or building meaningful relationships with students in prekindergarten through grade 12. The proposed rule also provides that a teaching candidate's student teaching may also occur in alignment with the cooperating school's current plan for teaching and learning, which may include face-to-face, virtual, hybrid, synchronous, or asynchronous settings, and shall be for full school days for a full semester of the cooperating school or its equivalent as approved by the state superintendent. Finally, the proposed rule creates flexibility by allowing cooperating teachers, who would otherwise not meet current rule experience requirements, to be assigned if they have been recommended by their principal and deemed acceptable by the approved program.

The proposed administrative rule is available to review at https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/chr/all/cr_21_077

Accessibility

The hearing is fully accessible to persons with disabilities. If you require reasonable accommodation to access the hearing, please call Carl Bryan using the contact information provided below prior to the hearing date. Reasonable accommodation includes materials prepared in an alternative format, as provided under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The purpose of this hearing to consider public testimony on the proposed rule under consideration. Individuals who would like to submit written comments may do so via the Legislature's form for submitting comment at https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/chr/comment. Written comments received by the date of the hearing will be given the same consideration as testimony presented at the hearing.

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