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Legal Notice

The State Board of Education will hold a public hearing regarding the rule actions listed below, on May 9, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Education, Room 102, 25 South Front Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

- **OAC Chapter 3301-11 Educational Choice Scholarship Program (12 rules)**
 - 3301-11-01 Definitions (Rescind/New)
 - 3301-11-03 List of designated buildings used in eligibility determination; assignment areas. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-04 Eligibility for program participation. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-05 Application for program participation. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-06 Errors specified by public school district. (Rescind)
 - 3301-11-07 Awarding scholarships. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-08 Transfer of scholarship. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-10 Payment of scholarship amounts. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-11 Participation by chartered nonpublic schools. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-12 Entities designated to file applications. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-14 Dispute resolution. (Amend)
 - 3301-11-15 Program administration. (Amend)

Changes to these rules include the addition of definitions to provide additional clarity, addition of timelines and deadlines, and deletion of provisions that are no longer necessary.

- **OAC Chapter 3301-39 Approval of Nonpublic Schools (3 rules)**
 - 3301-39-01 Definitions. (Rescind/New)
 - 3301-39-03 Procedures. (Rescind/New)
 - 3301-39-04 Oversight/Revocation of Charter. (Rescind/New)

Changes to the rules include differentiation of the process for initial and reissue of school charters, expansion of the timeframe to submit an application, clarification of language to determine compliance with the Operating Standards, addition of language for monitoring of schools, addition of language that allows the Department to follow up with a school that is no longer accredited to ensure compliance with the Operating Standards, addition of language that gives a school the ability to utilize a corrective action, and a process specifying for a school to address deficiencies.

- **OAC Chapter 3301-103 Autism Scholarship Program (6 rules)**
 - 3301-103-01 Definitions. (Amend)
 - 3301-103-03 Procedures and deadlines for parents to apply for scholarship. (Amend)
 - 3301-103-04 Responsibilities of a school district of residence. (Amend)
 - 3301-103-05 Program participation. (Amend)
 - 3301-103-06 Application and participation of providers. (Amend)
 - 3301-103-07 Payment under the autism scholarship program. (Rescind/New)

Changes to these rules include addition of language to align with the rules for the Jon Peterson scholarship program, to remove and revise language in accordance with Section ORC 106.03, to differentiate between a school providing all services to students versus a school or provider providing only the education program or related services, and to adjust deadlines to be more accommodating for families.

To obtain copies of the rules, please visit the registerofohio.state.oh.us

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