

Legal Notice

The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce will hold a public hearing regarding the rule actions listed below, on Thursday, May 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, Room 102, 25 South Front Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

Any person may e-mail written testimony to rulecomments@education.ohio.gov before the day of the hearing in lieu of presenting testimony at the hearing. Please direct any questions regarding the hearing to Brittney.kneisel@education.ohio.gov.

- **OAC Chapter 3301-16 High School Graduation (1 rule)**
OAC 3301-16- 08 State seal of biliteracy. (Amend)

The Department of Education and Workforce is required under R.C. 3313.6111 to adopt rules to implement the State Seal of Biliteracy. This rule is being amended to remove restrictive language, update the name of the agency, update statutory references and to add greater specificity to each qualifier.

- **OAC Chapter 3301-51 Education of Students with Special Needs (1 rule)**
OAC 3301-51-15 Operating standards for identifying and serving students who are gifted. (Rescind/New)

In accordance with R.C. 3301.07, the Director of Education and Workforce is prescribing the minimum operating standards regarding serving students identified as gifted. This rule is being amended to remove restrictive language, remove provisions that are duplicative of other statutory or regulatory provisions, and includes updates to reflect the Department of Education and Workforce and the Director of Education and Workforce in accordance with H.B. 33.

- **OAC Chapter 3301-101 Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program (13 rules)**
OAC 3301-101-01 Definitions. (Rescind/New)
OAC 3301-101-02 Jon Peterson special needs scholarship program established. (Amend)
OAC 3301-101-03 Eligibility to receive a scholarship. (Rescind/New)
OAC 3301-101-04 Application for a scholarship. (Rescind/New)
OAC 3301-101-05 Responsibilities of the school district of residence and the school district that the student is entitled to attend. (Rescind)

- OAC 3301-101-06 Awarding scholarships. (Amend)
- OAC 3301-101-07 Transfer of scholarship. (Amend)
- OAC 3301-101-08 Termination of eligibility. (Amend)
- OAC 3301-101-09 Participation by providers. (Amend)
- OAC 3301-101-10 Payment of scholarship amounts. (Amend)
- OAC 3301-101-11 Entities designated to file applications. (Amend)
- OAC 3301-101-12 Dispute resolution and due process requests. (Amend)
- OAC 3301-101-13 Program administration. (Amend)

The Director of Education and Workforce is required under R.C. 3301.07 to adopt administrative rules governing the Jon Peterson Special Needs (JPSN) scholarship program to comply with state law. These rules are being amended to update the name of the agency, remove regulatory restrictions and duplicative language.

- **OAC 3301-102-08 Community Schools (1 rule)**

OAC 3301-102-08: Standards for measuring sponsor compliance with applicable laws and rules. (Amend)

This rule contains standards and procedures used by the Department of Education and Workforce to evaluate each entity that sponsors a community school. This rule is being amended to remove restrictive language and update the name of the agency name from the department of education to the department of education and workforce.

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

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