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2015 Legislative Update

A summary of rule changes are attached to this email in the *New Legislation 2015 Session* document. There is additional information on the State Department of Education's website that was presented at the Post-Legislative Tour. The link is as follows: <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/postLeg/>.

For teacher certification rules, all changes were originally recommended by the Professional Standards Commission (PSC) as part of their review of professional standards for teachers, as stated in 33-1258, Idaho Code.

Each rule was submitted to the Board of Education for approval as a proposed or temporary rule, made available for public comment, resubmitted for Board approval as a pending rule, and finally approved by the 2015 Legislature.

Teacher Preparation Standards, Certification, Endorsement, and Praxis exam changes will be updated on the SDE/PSC website by August 1, 2015.

Idaho Administrative Code

Changes were made in the following sections of IDAPA 08.02.02:

- 08.02.02.027.01, Pupil Personnel Services Certificate, Counselor Endorsement
- 08.02.02.028, Exceptional Child Certificate, Generalist Endorsement (K-12), Early Childhood Special Education Endorsement (Pre-K-3), Hearing Impairment Endorsement (K-12), and Visual Impairment Endorsement

For a descriptive summary of IDAPA changes and more background, review section *08.02.02 Rules Governing Uniformity* in the following Pending Rules Review Book:

- [2015 Legislative Rules Review Books | adminrules.idaho.gov](http://adminrules.idaho.gov)

Key

- Language that is struck through in blue font (~~struck through~~) has been removed
- Language that is underlined in red font (underlined) has been added
- Language in black font is existing language

Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel

The current *Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel* (i.e. Teacher Preparation Standards) will be posted to SDE/PSC website by August 1, 2015. http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/teacher_certification/accredited.htm

Changes were made to the following standards:

- School Counselor
- Special Education Generalist