

505-2-.117 GIFTED CERTIFICATE (P-12)

(1) Certificate Requirements:

(a) Gifted certificates are issued as Consultative, enabling the holder to serve as the gifted education partner in the Collaborative Teaching model with a content area teacher of record in all content subjects. Gifted certificates may also be designated with an academic content Area of Concentration in one or more of the following content areas: mathematics, science, social science, language arts and reading. These areas are issued based on fifteen semester hours of college course work OR twenty-five Professional Learning Units (PLUs) of PSC-approved content course work (OR an equivalent combination of semester hours and PLUs) OR successful completion of the appropriate content assessment(s). The Area of Concentration enables the holder to serve as a teacher of record in that content area at any grade level, AS LONG AS Carnegie unit credit is NOT offered. (See paragraph (5), below.

1. Clear Renewable Certificate (See Rule [505-2-.03](#))
 2. Intern Certificate (See Rule [505-2-.05](#))
 3. Non-Renewable Professional Certificate (See Rule [505-2-.06](#))
 4. International Exchange Certificate (See Rule [505-2-.08](#))
 5. Permit (See Rule [505-2-.10](#)). Issued only to retired teachers who held a valid certificate in the field at the time of retirement.
 6. Non-Renewable Non-Professional Certificate (See Rule [505-2-.30](#))
 7. ADAC (See Rule [505-2-.04](#)) (Not issued for this field.)
 8. Core Academics (See Rule [505-2-.27](#))
 - (i) A Core Academic Certificate is not issued for this field.
 9. Clinical Practice (See Rule [505-2-.28](#))
 10. One Year Supervised Practicum (See Rule [505-2-.29](#)) (Not issued for this field.)
 11. Adjunct License (See Rule [505-2-.40](#))
 - (i) An Adjunct License is not issued for this field.
- (2) To Add the Field (See Rule [505-2-.25](#))

(a) To add a Gifted Certificate to a Professional Teaching, Service or Leadership field, an educator must complete a state-approved program in the field per Rule [505-2-.16](#) or have an out-of-state certificate in the comparable field per Rule [505-2-.15](#).

(b) To add an academic content Area of Concentration to a Gifted Certificate:

1. After September 1, 2006, the educator must pass the appropriate content assessment(s) in the content concentration.

(3) For Gifted Certificate holders who also hold a Georgia certificate in Middle Grades, the Middle Grades Area(s) of Concentration they hold shall be considered the equivalent of the Gifted Area(s) of Concentration. For Gifted Certificate holders who also hold a Georgia certificate in any of the Special Education fields, the Special Education Academic Content Concentrations they hold at Cognitive Level 4-8 shall be considered the equivalent of the Gifted Area(s) of Concentration.

(4) Renewal Requirements (See Rule [505-2-.24](#)).

(5) In-Field Statement (See Rule [505-2-.26](#)). An individual holding the Gifted Certificate is in-field to provide educational services for gifted students in grades P-12, under the following conditions: The educator may, within the Collaborative Teaching Model, work collaboratively with a content area teacher of record in all content subjects. However, to serve as a teacher of record in the academic areas of Mathematics, Science, Language Arts, Social Science or Reading when the course is NOT offered for Carnegie unit credit, the appropriate Area of Concentration must be designated on the Gifted certificate. To serve as a teacher of record when the course IS offered for Carnegie unit credit, the educator must also hold a secondary (6-12) certificate in the appropriate academic area. The Gifted Certificate holder may also facilitate mentor-provided instruction within the Mentorship/Internship Model, and provide enrichment activities (non-core content instruction), as part of the Resource Class Model.

(a) Each state-approved curriculum course, with specified certificate fields that are designated as in-field, may be found on the PSC web site at www.gapsc.com.

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