2014 Education Rules

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Docket 08-0202-1301 Educator Evaluations

- Establishes standards for principal evaluation
- 67% of the evaluation is based on professional practice
 - Parent/guardian input
 - Student input
 - Portfolios
- 33% of the evaluation is based on student achievement
 - Multiple measures of growth
 - Must include statewide measures
- Prior to September 2013, all evaluators must have training and pass a proficiency assessment in conducting observations and

evaluating effective teacher performance

Docket 08-0202-1302 Accreditation

Any alternative school that meets any **three** of the following criteria must have their own accreditation:

- 1. An ADA greater than or equal to 36 students
- 2. Enrolls students full-time, as opposed to enrolling student for "make-up" or short periods of time
- 3. Instructional model different from the district's traditional high school
- 4. Diplomas come from the alternative high school, not the traditional high school
- 5. Alternative school receives its own accountability rating

Docket 08-0202-1304 Mathematical Thinking for Instruction

 Clarifies that current teachers or teachers who are employed must have taken the Mathematical for Thinking Instruction Course in order to be recertified.



Docket 08-0202-1305 Code of Ethics

The Professional Standards Commission proposed a series of clarifications and revisions to the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators:

- Addition of titles to each principle
- Corrected statute references
- Professional relationship with students both inside and outside the "physical AND virtual" classroom
- Unethical conduct now includes:
 - "possessing" inappropriate images of students
 - "deliberately falsifying information presented to students"
 - failure to notify the state of any criminal conviction



Docket 08-0202-1306 PSC and Driver Education Standards

Updates the following Incorporated by Reference documents:

- Idaho Standards for the Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel
- Operating Procedures for Idaho Public Driver Education Programs



Docket 08-0202-1308 Endorsements

- Requires all endorsements include supervised teaching experience in the relevant content area or an approved alternative clinical experience
- Removes the driver education endorsement
- Specifies that Gifted and Talented endorsement credit hours must lead toward competency
- Requires 21 semester credit hours for a Literacy endorsement
- Addition of a teacher librarian endorsement
- Administrators must show proficiency in evaluating teacher performance, as well as alignment to the three standard domains



Docket 08-0203-1303 Gun Free Schools

 Changes the term "Gun-free Schools" to "Possessing Weapons on Campus" under the list of Safe Environment and Discipline policies districts are required to have.



Docket 08-0203-1304 Online Course Provider

- Allows the Department to charge for the review of online courses
- In order to cover the cost of review, the State Department of Education will charge providers a submission fee based on the number of courses offered, not to exceed the actual cost of review, in effect being cost neutral.



Docket 08-0203-1306 Graduation Requirements

- Students may receive high school credit while in middle school.
- Allows students who have passed the ISAT in 9th grade to count it towards passing the ISAT as a graduation requirement
- Students in the Class of 2016 who have not passed the ISAT must enroll in an alternative route
- Allows students who miss the college entrance exam in 11th grade because they moved to Idaho, were homeschooled, or had a medical issue to take the exam in 12th grade



Docket 08-0203-1306 Graduation Requirements

- AP Computer Science, Dual Credit Computer Science, and Dual Credit Engineering can be considered as either a math or science credit.
- Requires CPR to be taught in health as a graduation requirement
- Allows students to count an IHSAA or a sport recognized by the school district one PE credit. The state does not have a PE credit requirement.



Docket 08-0203-1307 Cursive Writing

 Requires cursive writing to be taught at the elementary school level as determined by the local school district.



Questions?

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