

IDAPA 08 - STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

08.02.03 - RULES GOVERNING THOROUGHNESS

DOCKET NO. 08-0203-1507

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5220, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Sections 33-101, 33-105, and 33-116, Idaho Code.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Interested persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must respond to this notice by contacting the undersigned either in writing, by email, or by calling the phone number listed below. To participate, responses must be received by September 11th, 2015.

Should a reasonable number of persons respond to this notice, negotiated meetings will be scheduled and all scheduled meetings shall be posted and made accessible on the agency website at the address listed below.

Upon conclusion of the negotiated rulemaking, any unresolved issues, all key issues considered, and conclusions reached during the negotiated rulemaking will be addressed in a written summary and made available on the agency website.

Failure of interested persons to respond to this notice of intent or the lack of a sufficient number of responses to this notice of intent may result in the discontinuation of further informal proceedings. In either event the agency shall have sole discretion in determining the feasibility of scheduling and conducting informal negotiated rulemaking and may proceed directly to formal rulemaking if proceeding with negotiated rulemaking is deemed infeasible.

Person's wishing to participate may contact Tracie Bent at the Office of the State Board of Education, PO Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0037 or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov, to schedule a meeting or provide written comments. All meeting dates, locations, and teleconference information will be posted on the Board of Education website at www.boardofed.idaho.gov.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

The proposed amendments address three (3) separate issues that are contained in the same section of Idaho Administrative Code, IDAPA 08.02.03, Section 105 Graduation Requirements. These include the transcription of middle level (school) credits to a student's high school transcript, the Idaho Standards Achieve Test (ISAT) graduation proficiency requirements, and the alternate paths to graduation for those students that do not meet the proficiency requirement to graduate. The amendments would clarify the requirements for middle school credits to be transferred to a student's high school transcript; would amend the graduation proficiency requirements for the ISAT to exempt students who will graduate in 2017 and provide additional specification regarding which students can bank scores earned in grade nine (9); and add additional specificity regarding the alternate paths to graduation that are developed by the school districts and submitted to the State Board of Education.

CONTACT INFORMATION, WEB ADDRESS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, contact Tracie Bent at (208)332-1582 or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the State Board of Education website once drafted at the following web address: www.boardofed.idaho.gov.

All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before September 23rd, 2015, electronic comments must be submitted to tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov.

DATED this 7th Day of August, 2015.

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