**SED Update**

**January 2018**

**Updated January 5, 2018 for OCM**

**Proposed Amendment to Section 100.5 of the Commissioner’s Regulations Relating to the Superintendent Determination Option for Certain Students with Disabilities to Graduate with a Local Diploma**

Effective December 12, 2017, as an emergency action to ensure that certain students with disabilities who are graduating from high school in January 2018 and thereafter may be considered an eligible student for the superintendent determination option if they meet the requirements of the proposed rule.

Information on the proposed amendment is available at: <http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1217p12a1.pdf>

**Proposed Amendment to Section 80-4.3 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Grade-Level Extensions for Certain Candidates Who Hold a Students with Disabilities Generalist Teaching Certificate**

To address the shortage of teachers who hold Students with Disabilities Generalist Certificate titles in New York State, the Department is **proposing four extension certificates:**

* **Proposed Grades 3-4 extension** for current Birth-Grade 2 certification;
* **Proposed PK-K extension** for current Grades 1-6 certification;
* **Proposed Grades 7-8 extension** for current Grades 1-6 certification; and
* **Proposed Grades 5-6 extension** for Grades 7-12 current certification.

For each of the proposed extension titles, a SWD Generalist certificate holder must have a minimum of three years of teaching experience in either of the two grade levels closest to the grade levels of the extension, plus either 45 hours of acceptable Continuing Teacher and Leader Education or 3 semester hours of pedagogical coursework focused on the grade levels of the extension sought. Information on the proposed amendment can be found at <http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1217p12hed1.pdf>

**Office of State Assessment Releases Future Test Dates**

The calendars for the **January and June 2019 Regents Examinations** with the dates within which exams will be held have been announced. The specific schedules for January and June 2019 will be released by the end of this school year.  See <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/schedules/2019/regentsexamdates2019.pdf> for more information.

The **2018-19 Elementary- and Intermediate-level Testing Schedule** is now available.  A copy of the 2018-19 Elementary and Intermediate Level Testing Schedule can be found at: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/schedules/2019/elitestschedule1819.pdf>.

Questions may be directed to the Office of State Assessment at (518) 474-5902 or [emscassessinfo@nysed.gov](mailto:emscassessinfo@nysed.gov).

**next Board of Regents Meeting – January 22-23, 2017**

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