

AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to sections 14, 101, 207, 208, 305, 308, 3001, 3004 and 3009 of the Education Law.

1. Paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(5) All registered teacher education programs leading to certification in the classroom teaching service, school service, or administrative and supervisory service shall provide six clock hours[, of which at least three hours must be conducted through face-to-face instruction,] of coursework or training in the prevention and intervention of harassment, bullying and discrimination[, except that the six clock hours of coursework or training may be provided entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis]. Such coursework or training shall include, training on the social patterns of harassment, bullying and discrimination, as defined in section 11 of the Education Law, including but not limited to those acts based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex; the identification and mitigation of harassment, bullying and discrimination; and strategies for effectively addressing problems of exclusion, bias and aggression in educational settings.

2. Item (xiii) of subclause (1) of clause (c) of subparagraph (ii) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(xiii) means for the prevention of and intervention in harassment, bullying and discrimination in accordance with section 14 of the Education Law. Such study shall include six clock hours[, of which at least three hours must be conducted through face-to-face instruction,] of course work or training on the social patterns of harassment, bullying and discrimination; as defined in section 11 of the Education Law, including but not limited to those acts based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex; the identification and mitigation of harassment, bullying and discrimination; and strategies for effectively addressing problems of exclusion, bias and aggression in educational settings[, except that the six clock hours of coursework or training may be provided entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis].

3. Item (X) of subitem (A) of item (i) of subclause (1) of clause (a) of subparagraph (xiii) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(X) means for the prevention of and intervention harassment, bullying and discrimination in accordance with section 14 of the Education Law. Such study shall include six clock hours[, of which at least three hours must be conducted through face to-face instruction,] of course work or training on the social patterns of harassment, bullying and discrimination, as defined in section 11 of the Education Law, including but not limited to those acts based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation,

gender or sex; the identification and mitigation of harassment, bullying and discrimination; and strategies for effectively addressing problems of exclusion, bias and aggression in educational settings[, except that the six clock hours of coursework or training may be provided entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis], and

4. Subitem (J) of item (iv) of subclause (2) of clause (b) of subparagraph (xvii) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(J) means for the prevention of and intervention in harassment, bullying and discrimination in accordance with section 14 of the Education Law. Such study shall include six clock hours[, of which at least three hours must be conducted through face to-face instruction,] of course work or training on the social patterns of harassment, bullying and discrimination, as defined in section 11 of the Education Law, including but not limited to those acts based on person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex; the identification and mitigation of harassment, bullying and discrimination; and strategies for effectively addressing problems of exclusion, bias and aggression in educational settings[, except that the six clock hours of coursework or training may be provided entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis].

5. Clause (c) of subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(c) Programs shall ensure that candidates complete six clock hours[, of which at least three hours must be conducted through face-to-face instruction,] of coursework or training on the social patterns of harassment, bullying and discrimination[, a], in accordance with the requirements of section 14 of the Education Law[, except that the six clock hours of coursework or training may be provided entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis].

6. Clause (m) of subparagraph (v) of paragraph (7) of subdivision (c) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(m) ensure that candidates complete six clock hours[, of which at least three hours must be conducted through face-to-face instruction,] of coursework or training on the social patterns of harassment, bullying and discrimination, in accordance with the requirements of section 14 of the Education Law[, except that the six clock hours of coursework or training may be provided entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis];

7. Subdivision (a) of section 57-4.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

(a) A provider, at a minimum, shall offer the syllabus prepared by the department[and demonstrate that at least three of the six clock hours shall be conducted through face-to-face instruction, except that the six clock hours of coursework or training may be provided entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis. However], however, nothing in this section shall preclude providers from offering additional coursework or training which exceeds, or expands upon, the six hour syllabus prescribed by the department.

8. Section 80-1.13 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education shall be amended to read as follows:

All candidates for a certificate or license valid for an administrative or supervisory service, classroom teaching service or school service who apply for a certificate or license on or after December 31, 2013, shall have completed at least six clock hours[, of which at least three hours must be conducted through face-to-face instruction,] of course work or training in harassment, bullying and discrimination prevention and intervention, as required by section 14 the Education Law, which is provided by a registered program leading to certification pursuant to section 52.21 of this Title or other approved provider pursuant to Subpart 57-4 of this Title[, except that candidates may complete the minimum six clock hours of course work or training entirely online through December 31, 2021 in response to the State of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to an Executive Order for the COVID-19 crisis].