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Chapter 0520-07-02  
Non-Public School Approval Process  
Amendment

Rule 0520-07-02-.02 Category I: State Department of Education Approval is amended by adding subparagraph (1)(d) so that, as amended, the new rule shall read:

0520-07-02-.02 Category I: State Department of Education Approval

- (1) A school may seek state approval by direct application to the State Department of Education. The criteria and procedures used in the evaluation of such schools are the same as for the public schools, and include the following:
- (a) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. § 49-6-3007 regarding the reporting of the names, ages, and addresses of all pupils in attendance to the superintendent of the public school system in which the student resides.
  - (b) Each school shall comply with all rules, regulations and codes of the city, county, and state regarding planning, construction, maintenance, and operation of the school.
  - (c) Each school shall observe all fire safety regulations and procedures promulgated by the Tennessee Fire Marshal.
  - (d) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §§ 49-6-104(a) and 49-6-201(b)(3) regarding the age requirements for students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 49-1-201, 49-1-302, 49-6-101, 49-6-3001 and 49-50-801.

Rule 0520-07-02-.03 Category II: Agency Approval is amended by adding part (6)(c)(9)(v)(XI) so that, as amended, the new (6)(c)(9)(v)(XI) shall read:

0520-07-02-.03 Category II: Agency Approval

- (6) Criteria for Approval of a Non-Public School Accrediting Agency.
- (a) Scope of Operation of Agency. The agency shall:
    - 1. Have a clearly written statement of its objectives;
    - 2. Delineate the process by which it approves schools; and
    - 3. Have at least five member schools, each with at least ten full-time students.
  - (b) Organization of Agency. The agency shall:
    - 1. Specify qualifications for professional personnel for the agency;
    - 2. Employ at least one full time director or superintendent; and
    - 3. Be permitted to regulate schools which are not fully approved.

(c) Agency responsibilities. The agency shall:

1. Maintain written descriptions of the requirements for school accreditation, and of the levels or types of membership granted;
2. Re-evaluate approved schools annually;
3. Give advance publication of proposed changes in approval standards to schools. These changes must be approved in advance by the State Department of Education;
4. Advise schools or directly provide them with technical assistance to address deficiencies;
5. Publish approval policies and lists of approved schools;
6. Require schools to report on deficiencies which could affect approval status;
7. Have procedures for revocation of approval;
8. Provide a list of all courses taught and the grade levels at which they are taught at each school;
9. Publish and follow minimum standards using the following criteria (or, the agency may use the standards as set forth in the Rules, Regulations and Minimum Standards for the Governance of Public Schools in the State of Tennessee):

(i) Curriculum and Graduation.

- (I) The program shall include (but not be limited to) the areas of reading, composition, speech, mathematics, social studies, science, art, music, health and physical education.
- (II) Each school shall use print and non-print materials, including textbooks, which are adequate to meet the needs of the instructional program. See Chapter 0520-01-03.
- (III) Each student shall meet the same minimum requirements for graduation as students in public schools. The specific requirements are listed in Chapter 0520-01-03.

(ii) In-service.

Each school shall have a minimum of five days for in-service education per school year.

(iii) Teacher Licensure and Evaluation.

- (I) Each agency shall submit its procedures for licensing teachers. If the agency does not use the Tennessee State Department of Education licensure system, it must use a comparable system based upon educational training.
- (II) Each teacher or principal shall hold a valid teacher license or permit as defined by the agency covering the work assignment.
- (III) Each agency shall develop procedures for evaluation of all professional school personnel.

(iv) Facilities.

- (I) Each school shall comply with rules, regulations, and codes of the city, county, and state regarding planning of new buildings, alterations, and safety.
- (II) Each school shall observe all fire safety regulations and procedures promulgated by the Tennessee Fire Marshal's Office.
- (III) Each school shall have classrooms, laboratories, and libraries which are sufficient in number, adequate in space, and so constructed and arranged as to be conducive to carrying on the assigned activities. Playgrounds and physical education facilities shall be well maintained, free from hazards, and large enough to permit an adequate program of physical education.

(v) Administrative Rules.

- (I) Each school shall maintain an operating schedule that includes the minimum number of instructional days and hours required of public schools. See Chapter 0520-01-03.
- (II) Each school which provides services to students certified as eligible students with disabilities shall meet all standards of the State Board of Education rule 0520-01-03-.09.
- (III) A child entering first grade shall be no less than six years of age on or before September 30. Any child five years of age on or before September 30 may be enrolled in kindergarten.
- (IV) Each school shall develop and implement a written policy on promotion and retention. The written policy shall be communicated to students and parents.
- (V) The maximum enrollments for an individual class shall be specified, shall not be subject to waiver, and shall not exceed the following:
  - I. Kindergarten through grade 3: 25 students
  - II. Grade 4: 28 students
  - III. Grades 5 through 6: 30 students
  - IV. Grades 7 through 12: 35 students
  - V. Vocational education, grades 7 through 12: 28 students; the average daily membership for any full-time vocational teacher shall not exceed 23 students.
- (VI) Each school shall maintain complete and accurate permanent records. A cumulative record for each student for all work through high school is required.
- (VII) Each school shall evaluate records and report the needs and progress of its pupils.
- (VIII) Each school shall provide a sufficient number of appropriately qualified administrators, librarians and guidance counselors for the student body served.

- (IX) Each principal or headmaster shall comply with the requirement of T.C.A. § 49-6-5001 that each child enrolled in school be vaccinated against disease.
- (X) Each principal or headmaster shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. § 49-6-3007 regarding reporting the names, ages, and addresses of all pupils in attendance to the superintendent of the public school system in which the student resides.
- (XI) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §§ 49-6-104(a) and 49-6-201(b)(3) regarding the age requirements for students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

(vi) Testing Program.

At least once every school year, each school shall give a nationally standardized achievement test covering the areas of reading, language arts, spelling, math, science, and social science to each pupil in grades 2 through 8 and grade 10; the results must be communicated to teachers and parents and kept on file at the school for one calendar year.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 49-1-201, 49-1-302 and 49-50-801

Rule 0520-07-02-.05 Category IV: Exempted Schools is amended by adding subparagraph (2)(f) so that, as amended, the new rule shall read:

0520-07-02-.05 Category IV: Exempted Schools

- (1) Schools in this category are exempt from regulation regarding faculty, textbooks, and curriculum. T.C.A. § 49-50-801 defines a church related school as "a school operated by denominational, parochial or other bona fide church organizations, which are required to meet the standards of accreditation or membership of the Tennessee Association of Christian Schools, the Association of Christian Schools International, the Tennessee Association of Independent Schools, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Tennessee Association of Non-Public Academic Schools, the Tennessee Association of Church Related Schools or a school affiliated with Accelerated Christian Education, Inc."
- (2) Each school shall:
  - (a) Comply with all rules and regulations and codes of the city, county, and state regarding planning of new building, alterations, and safety.
  - (b) Comply with all rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment regarding construction, maintenance, and operation of the school plant.
  - (c) Observe all fire safety regulations and procedures promulgated by the Tennessee Fire Marshal's Office.
  - (d) Comply with the requirements of T.C.A. § 49-6-5001 that each child enrolled in school be vaccinated against disease.
  - (e) Comply with the requirement of T.C.A. § 49-6-3007 that the names, ages, and addresses of all pupils in attendance be reported to the superintendent of the public school system in which the student resides.
  - (f) Comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §§ 49-6-104(a) and 49-6-201(b)(3) regarding the age requirements for students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 49-1-201, 49-1-302 and 49-50-801.

Rule 0520-07-02-.06 Category V: Acknowledged for Operation is amended by adding paragraph (12) so that, as amended, the new rule shall read:

0520-07-02-.06 Category V: Acknowledged for Operation

- (1) Schools in this category are those which are not category I, II, III, or IV schools. Schools in this category shall not include home schools.
- (2) Each school seeking acknowledgement for operation shall furnish to the State Department of Education the following information by November 1st of each year:
  - (a) Name, mailing address and telephone number of the school;
  - (b) Name and academic credentials of the principal or headmaster of the school;
  - (c) Number of students in each grade level as of October 1 of current school year;
  - (d) Name and academic credentials of each teacher and the subjects taught by that teacher;
  - (e) Certification that the school year provides an operating schedule that includes the minimum number of instructional days and hours as required of public schools. See Chapter 0520-01-03.
- (3) Each school shall keep on file the curriculum offered and shall make copies available for inspection by the State Department of Education and the public upon request.
- (4) Each school shall have facilities and fixed equipment which conform to the safety and health requirements of city, county, or state agencies.
- (5) Each school shall comply with all the rules and regulations and codes of the city, county, and state regarding planning of new buildings, alterations and safety.
- (6) Each school shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Health regarding construction, maintenance and operation of the school plant.
- (7) Each school shall observe all fire safety regulations and procedures promulgated by the Tennessee Fire Marshal's Office.
- (8) Each school shall comply with the requirement of T.C.A. § 49-6-5001 that each child in school be vaccinated against disease.
- (9) Each school shall comply with the requirement of § 49-6-3007 that the names, ages, and addresses of all pupils in attendance be reported to the public school system in which the student resides.
- (10) Each teacher shall possess at least baccalaureate degree, of which no more than twenty-five percent of course hours shall have been taken through home study or correspondence.
- (11) Each school shall administer a nationally standardized achievement test covering the basic academic areas at grade 2 through 8 and grade 10. Results of the test shall be used to improve the instruction of the students.
- (12) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §§ 49-6-104(a) and 49-6-201(b)(3) regarding the age requirements for students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 49-1-201, 49-1-302 and 49-50-801.

\* If a roll-call vote was necessary, the vote by the Agency on these rules was as follows:

Board Member	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Signature (if required)
Ayers	X				
Edwards	X				
Chancey	X				
Pearre	X				
Roberts	X				
Rogers	X				
Rolston	X				
Sloyan	X				
Wright	X				
Student Member	X				

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of proposed rules, lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee State Board of Education on 10/25/2013, and is in compliance with the provisions of T.C.A. § 4-5-222. The Secretary of State is hereby instructed that, in the absence of a petition for proposed rules being filed under the conditions set out herein and in the locations described, he is to treat the proposed rules as being placed on file in his office as rules at the expiration of sixty (60) days of the first day of the month subsequent to the filing of the proposed rule with the Secretary of State.

Date: 1-28-14

Signature: Gary L. Nixon

Name of Officer: Gary L. Nixon

Title of Officer: Executive Director



MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:  
January 9, 2016

Subscribed and sworn to before me on: 1/30/14

Notary Public Signature: Phyllis E. Childress

My commission expires on: \_\_\_\_\_

All proposed rules provided for herein have been examined by the Attorney General and Reporter of the State of Tennessee and are approved as to legality pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

Robert E. Cooper, Jr.

Robert E. Cooper, Jr.  
Attorney General and Reporter

3-13-14

Date

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**Regulatory Flexibility Addendum**

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-401 through 4-5-404, prior to initiating the rule making process as described in T.C.A. § 4-5-202(a)(3) and T.C.A. § 4-5-202(a), all agencies shall conduct a review of whether a proposed rule or rule affects small businesses.

Not applicable.

### **Impact on Local Governments**

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 4-5-220 and 4-5-228 “any rule proposed to be promulgated shall state in a simple declarative sentence, without additional comments on the merits of the policy of the rules or regulation, whether the rule or regulation may have a projected impact on local governments.” (See Public Chapter Number 1070 (<http://state.tn.us/sos/acts/106/pub/pc1070.pdf>) of the 2010 Session of the General Assembly)

This will have no impact on local governments.

**Additional Information Required by Joint Government Operations Committee**

All agencies, upon filing a rule, must also submit the following pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-226(i)(1).

- (A)** A brief summary of the rule and a description of all relevant changes in previous regulations effectuated by such rule;

The rule change requires non-public schools to comply with the requirements of Public Chapter 85 (2013) and Public Chapter 991 (2012) that stipulate the cut-off age for students to enroll in kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

- (B)** A citation to and brief description of any federal law or regulation or any state law or regulation mandating promulgation of such rule or establishing guidelines relevant thereto;

T.C.A. § 49-1-302, Public Chapter 85 (2013) and Public Chapter 991 (2012)

- (C)** Identification of persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities most directly affected by this rule, and whether those persons, organizations, corporations or governmental entities urge adoption or rejection of this rule;

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- (D)** Identification of any opinions of the attorney general and reporter or any judicial ruling that directly relates to the rule;

None.

- (E)** An estimate of the probable increase or decrease in state and local government revenues and expenditures, if any, resulting from the promulgation of this rule, and assumptions and reasoning upon which the estimate is based. An agency shall not state that the fiscal impact is minimal if the fiscal impact is more than two percent (2%) of the agency's annual budget or five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), whichever is less;

None.

- (F)** Identification of the appropriate agency representative or representatives, possessing substantial knowledge and understanding of the rule;

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- (G)** Identification of the appropriate agency representative or representatives who will explain the rule at a scheduled meeting of the committees;

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- (H)** Office address, telephone number, and email address of the agency representative or representatives who will explain the rule at a scheduled meeting of the committees; and

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(I) Any additional information relevant to the rule proposed for continuation that the committee requests.

None.



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Non-Public School Approval Process  
Amendment

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- (1) A school may seek state approval by direct application to the State Department of Education. The criteria and procedures used in the evaluation of such schools are the same as for the public schools, and include the following:
  - (a) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. § 49-6-3007 regarding the reporting of the names, ages, and addresses of all pupils in attendance to the superintendent of the public school system in which the student resides.
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  - (d) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §§ 49-6-104(a) and 49-6-201(b)(3) regarding the age requirements for students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

0520-07-02-.03 Category II: Agency Approval

- (1) The State Board of Education may approve the school approval procedures of non-public school accrediting agencies.
- (2) Schools holding full accreditation status with an approved agency are approved by the State Department of Education.
- (3) Home schools which may affiliate with an approved agency are not approvable under this category.
- (4) Procedures for Application as an Approved Non-Public School Accrediting Agency.
  - (a) An agency seeking approval shall apply to the State Department of Education and shall supply relevant information needed by the department.
  - (b) The State Department of Education shall review the application of the agency with respect to the criteria for approval and recommend to the State Board of Education that the application be approved or denied. The applicant agency may address the State Board of Education at the time its application is being considered.
- (5) Period of Approval.
  - (a) The period of approval for a recognized agency shall be five years.

(b) An agency which fails to meet the minimum standards for agency approval will have its approval revoked.

(6) Criteria for Approval of a Non-Public School Accrediting Agency.

(a) Scope of Operation of Agency. The agency shall:

1. Have a clearly written statement of its objectives;
2. Delineate the process by which it approves schools; and
3. Have at least five member schools, each with at least ten full-time students.

(b) Organization of Agency. The agency shall:

1. Specify qualifications for professional personnel for the agency;
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1. Maintain written descriptions of the requirements for school accreditation, and of the levels or types of membership granted;
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- (I) Each school shall maintain an operating schedule that includes the minimum number of instructional days and hours required of public schools. See Chapter 0520-01-03.

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(XI) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §§ 49-6-104(a) and 49-6-201(b)(3) regarding the age requirements for students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

(vi) **Testing Program.** At least once every school year, each school shall give a nationally standardized achievement test covering the areas of reading, language arts, spelling, math, science, and social science to each pupil in grades 2 through 8 and grade 10; the results must be communicated to teachers and parents and kept on file at the school for one calendar year.

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(2) Each school shall:

- (a) Comply with all rules and regulations and codes of the city, county, and state regarding planning of new building, alterations, and safety.
- (b) Comply with all rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment regarding construction, maintenance, and operation of the school plant.
- (c) Observe all fire safety regulations and procedures promulgated by the Tennessee Fire Marshal's Office.
- (d) Comply with the requirements of T.C.A. § 49-6-5001 that each child enrolled in school be vaccinated against disease.
- (e) Comply with the requirement of T.C.A. § 49-6-3007 that the names, ages, and addresses of all pupils in attendance be reported to the superintendent of the public school system in which the student resides.
- (f) Each school shall comply with the requirements of T.C.A. §§ 49-6-104(a) and 49-6-201(b)(3) regarding the age requirements for students entering kindergarten and pre-kindergarten.

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- (1) Schools in this category are those which are not category I, II, III, or IV schools. Schools in this category shall not include home schools.
- (2) Each school seeking acknowledgement for operation shall furnish to the State Department of Education the following information by November 1st of each year:
  - (a) Name, mailing address and telephone number of the school;
  - (b) Name and academic credentials of the principal or headmaster of the school;
  - (c) Number of students in each grade level as of October 1 of current school year;
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- (3) Each school shall keep on file the curriculum offered and shall make copies available for inspection by the State Department of Education and the public upon request.
- (4) Each school shall have facilities and fixed equipment which conform to the safety and health requirements of city, county, or state agencies.
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