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**Georgia Department of Education
Item for State Board of Education Approval
– Rule –**

Item Name

TL- State Board Rule - Georgia Board of Education Rule Code: 160-4-2-.13 Statewide Passing Score

Recommendation – Rule Initiation

It is recommended that the State Board of Education authorize the State School Superintendent to initiate rulemaking procedures in accordance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act so as to amend State Board of Education Rule 160-4-2-.13 Statewide Passing Score.

Supports the Following Education Goal or Goals in the Agency Strategic Plan

- Ongoing Operations

Rationale

The Statewide Passing Score Board Rule will be amended to temporarily reduce the percentage weight of End-of-Course (EOC) assessments within the student's final grade in the course assessed by the Georgia Milestones EOC. This temporary reduction recognizes the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students, families, and educators.

Details

O.C.G.A. §20-2-281(j) requires the State Board to adopt rules and regulations requiring the results of end-of-course assessments to be included as a factor in a student's final grade in the core subject course for which the end-of-course assessment is given. SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.13 Statewide Passing Score currently places that percentage weight at 20%.

It is recommended that the rule be amended to provide that the EOC percentage weight to be included in a student's final grade in the course assessed by the Georgia Milestones EOC be reduced to .01% for the 2020-2021 school year, in recognition of the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students, families, and educators.

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