

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

210:20-19-6. Professional Development programs for early childhood educators and administrators [NEW]

a. What is the purpose of the proposed rule change?

The purpose of this rule is to implement the requirements of 70 O.S. § 11-103.2a, "The Oklahoma Play to Learn Act," requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules with recommended guidelines for the content and focus areas of Professional Development (PD) programs for early childhood educators and administrators, to include an emphasis on play-based learning.

b. What classes of persons will be affected by the proposed rule change and what classes of persons will bear the costs of the proposed rule change?

The rule change will directly affect early childhood students and individuals who hold teaching certificates, including teachers and administrators employed by public school districts, involved in early childhood programs.

c. What classes of persons will benefit from the proposed rule change?

The rule change will benefit students and individuals who hold teaching certificates, including teachers and administrators employed by public school districts, involved in early childhood programs.

d. What is the probable economic impact of the proposed rule upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions?

The agency does not anticipate any economic impact upon political subdivisions or affected classes as a result of implementation of the proposed rule change at this time.

e. What is the probable cost to the agency to implement and enforce the proposed rule change?

The agency does not anticipate any cost to the agency to implement and enforce as a result of the proposed change in the rule at this time.

f. What is the economic impact on any political subdivision to implement the proposed rule change?

The agency does not anticipate any economic impact on any political subdivision to implement the proposed rule change at this time.

g. Will implementing the rule change have an adverse effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act?

The agency does not anticipate any adverse economic impact on small business as a result of the proposed rule change at this time.

- h. **Are there any other methods which are less costly, nonregulatory, or less intrusive to achieve the purpose of the proposed rule change?**

No.

- i. **Will the rule change impact the public health, safety, and environment, and is the change designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety, and environment? If so, explain nature of risk and to what extent the proposed rule change will reduce the risk.**

The agency does not anticipate any impact on public health, safety or environment as a result of the proposed rule at this time.

- j. **What detrimental effect will there be on the public health, safety, and environment if the rule change is not implemented?**

The agency does not anticipate any detrimental effect on public health, safety, or environment as a result of failure to implement the proposed rule at this time.

- k. **Date Prepared:** February 14, 2023