

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CHAPTER PI 11 CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to s. 227.11 (2) (a) (intro.), Stats., the Department of Public Instruction will hold a public hearing as required under s. 227.16, Stats., to consider the promulgation of the following proposed permanent rules:

- Clearinghouse Rule 20-072, amending PI 11 relating to relating to sensory impairment terminology and deafblindness. The proposed rule updates terminology and eligibility criteria for pupils that are blind and visually impaired and pupils that are deaf and hard of hearing and recognizes deafblindness as an additional area of impairment.
- Clearinghouse Rule 20-073, amending PI 11 relating to relating to emotional behavior disability criteria. This proposed rule updates criteria in identifying pupils that have an emotional behavior disability in order to recognize current knowledge and best practices and to properly address student needs
- Clearinghouse Rule 20-074, amending PI 11 relating to speech and language impairment criteria. This proposed rule updates criteria relating to identifying pupils that have a speech or language impairment in order to properly address student needs.

The Department will hold the public hearing at the time shown below via teleconference only. The hearing will be held as follows:

Date and Time: Monday, December 14, 2020, from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location (Conference Call Only): Phone Number [+1 608-620-9781](tel:+16086209781) Conference ID: 503 529 536#

Accessibility

The hearing is fully accessible to persons with disabilities. If you require reasonable accommodation to access the meeting, please call Carl Bryan using the contact information provided below prior to the hearing date. Reasonable accommodation includes materials prepared in an alternative format, as provided under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The purpose of this hearing to consider public testimony on the proposed rules under consideration. Interested persons are invited to call into the hearing and will be afforded the opportunity to make a presentation of their position on the proposed rule orally. Questions or comments about the proposed rule under consideration may be posed and will be duly recorded.

Individuals who are unable to attend the hearing but would like to submit written comments may do so via the Legislature's webpage for submitting comment at <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/chr/comment>. Questions or additional testimony may be accepted by using the contact information below. Written comments on the proposed rules received no later than the date of the hearing will be given the same consideration as testimony presented at the hearing.

Agency Contact Person

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The statements of scope for each proposed rule are available to review at <https://dpi.wi.gov/legislative-policy-outreach/administrative-rules> or <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/chr/comment>.

State Superintendent or Designee

Date