

Clearinghouse Rule 99-073

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION)

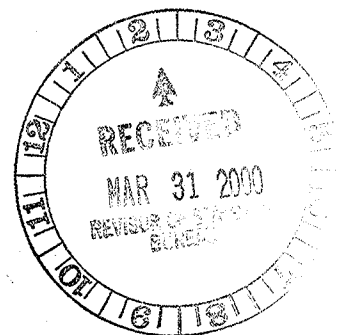
I, State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the annexed rule relating to education for school age parents was duly approved and adopted by this Department on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

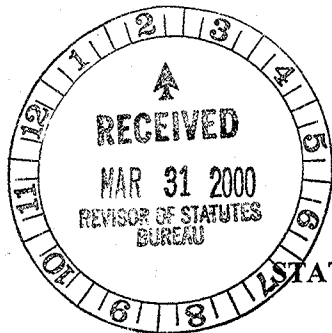
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at General Executive Facility (GEF) 3, 125 South Webster Street, P.O. Box 7841, in the city of Madison, this 31st day of March, 2000.

John T. Benson /JS

John T. Benson
State Superintendent
State Department of Public Instruction



6-1-00



**ORDER OF THE
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
AMENDING RULES**

The state superintendent of public instruction hereby repeals PI 19.03(8) and PI 19.05(2); renumbers PI 19.03(9) and PI 19.05(1); amends PI 19.03(3) and (6)(b); and creates PI 19.03(6)(f)6. to 8., and PI 19.06, relating to education for school age parents.

ANALYSIS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Statutory authority: ss. 115.92 (3) and 227.11 (2) (a), Stats.

Statute interpreted: ss. 115.92 and 115.355, Stats.

1997 Wisconsin Act 104 modified provisions in the school age parent program by requiring:

1. The department of public instruction to annually and upon request disseminate to appropriate public school staff information about materials and services available through the state adoption center under s. 48.551, Stats., which may serve as resources for instruction on adoption for pupils in grades kindergarten through 12.
2. School districts with established programs that serve school age parents to provide instruction on adoption and adoption services. The instruction provided must include:
 - Information on options available and the procedures followed in independent and agency adoptions, including current practices regarding a birth parent's involvement in the selection of an adoptive home and the sharing of information between birth parents and adoptive parents.
 - Information on the impact of adoption on birth parents and children who have been adopted.
 - An explanation that the adoption process may be initiated even after a child has been born and has left the hospital.

1997 Wisconsin Act 240 eliminated language requiring a school district that establishes a school age parent program to report a participating pupil's school district of residence and the period of time the pupil was instructed or otherwise served during the school year.

Finally, s. 46.99, Stats., regarding available child care funds no longer exists. Therefore, s. PI 19.05 (2) is deleted since it pertains to and references s. 46.99, Stats.

The proposed amendments in this rule are technical changes made to conform the rule to statutory language. Therefore, pursuant to s. 227.16 (2) (b), Stats., the department will not hold public hearings regarding these rules.

SECTION 1. PI 19.03 (3) and (6) (b) are amended to read:

PI 19.03 (3) Annually the board, CESA, or fiscal agent for an agreement under s. 66.30, Stats., shall submit a program plan to the department for approval. The plan shall indicate the number of pupils expected to be served, personnel who will be serving the program and anticipated costs of the program. Annually following completion of the approved program, the board, CESA, or fiscal agent for an agreement under 66.30, Stats., shall submit a report to the

department indicating actual costs, and the number of school age parents instructed or otherwise provided service, ~~their resident school district, and the period of time each was instructed or otherwise provided service.~~

(6) (b) Provision of social services to facilitate accessibility to needed resources ~~including information on adoption resources.~~

SECTION 2. PI 19.03 (6) (f) 6. to 8. are created to read:

PI 19.03 (6) (f) 6. Information on the options available and the procedures followed in independent and agency adoptions, including current practices regarding a birth parent's involvement in the selection of an adoptive home and the sharing of information between birth parents and adoptive parents.

7. The impact of adoption on birth parents and children who have been adopted.

8. An explanation that the adoption process may be initiated even after a child has been born and has left the hospital.

SECTION 3. PI 19.03 (8) is repealed.

SECTION 4. PI 19.03 (9) is renumbered PI 19.03 (8)

SECTION 5. PI 19.05 (2) is repealed.

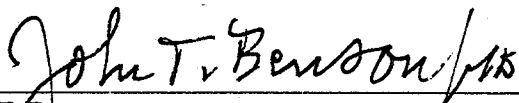
SECTION 6. PI 19.05 (1) is renumbered PI 19.05 (intro.)

SECTION 7. PI 19.06 is created to read:

PI 19.06 Department responsibilities. Under s. 115.355, Stats., the department shall annually and upon request disseminate to appropriate public school staff information about materials and services available through the state adoption center under s. 48.551, Stats., which may serve as resources for instruction on adoption for pupils in grades kindergarten through 12.

The rules contained in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month commencing after the date of publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, as provided in s. 227.22(2)(intro.), Stats.

Dated this 31st day of March, 2000



John T. Benson
State Superintendent