## **Text of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC**

## **Chapter 242. Superintendent Certificate**

## §242.20. Requirements for the Issuance of the Standard Superintendent Certificate.

- (a) To be eligible to receive the standard Superintendent Certificate, a candidate must:
  - (1) satisfactorily complete an examination based on the standards identified in §242.15 of this title (relating to Standards Required for the Superintendent Certificate); and
  - (2) successfully complete a State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) -approved superintendent preparation program and be recommended for certification by that program; and
  - (3) hold, at a minimum, a master's degree from an accredited institution of higher education that at the time was accredited or otherwise approved by an accrediting organization recognized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB); and
  - (4) hold, at a minimum, a principal certificate or the equivalent issued under this title or by another state or country  $\underline{; or } [\underline{\cdot}]$
  - (5) have at least three creditable years of managerial experience in a public school district.
    - (A) The managerial experience must include responsibility for:
      - (i) supervising or appraising faculty or staff;
      - (ii) conducting district-level planning and coordination of programs, activities, or initiatives; and
      - (iii) creating or maintaining a budget.
    - (B) The candidate must submit an application to Texas Education Agency (TEA) staff for the substitution of managerial experience as defined in this paragraph. The TEA staff will review the application within 60 calendar days from date of receipt and will notify the applicant in writing of approval or denial.
- (b) Alternatively, a candidate is eligible to receive the standard superintendent certificate if:
  - (1) the candidate is hired by a public school district in Texas for the position of superintendent;
  - (2) the candidate holds, at a minimum, a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education that at the time was accredited or otherwise approved by an accrediting organization recognized by the THECB;
  - (3) the candidate satisfactorily completes an examination based on the standards identified in §242.15 of this title; and
  - (4) the candidate successfully completes an SBEC-approved superintendent preparation program and is recommended for certification by that program.