| **Advisory Board on Teacher Education**  **and Licensure** |
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**ITEM: Presentation**

**DATE: March 15, 2021**

**TOPIC: Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) 2022 Revised Initial-Level Standards**

Section 8VAC20-543-20 of the *Regulations Governing the Review and Approval of*

*Education Programs in Virginia* require all institutions to be accredited by the Council for

the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

*Q. Upon the effective date of this chapter, the Board of Education grants colleges and universities two years to align their existing approved programs with this chapter and allows only college and universities that on the effective date of this chapter are accredited by the Board of Education process four years to become accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) with the option of submitting a progress report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction to request an additional year, if needed.*

CAEP accreditation includes standards at the initial-level and advanced-level. CAEP bylaws require a review of the CAEP Standards every seven years. The CAEP Research Committee was charged in 2018 with updating the research related to the CAEP Standards. The CAEP Board of Directors created a task force in June 2020, which was composed of 21 representatives from the field of education, including P-12, higher education, state education departments and non-profit education organizations. The task force focused on reviewing the 2013 standards, specifically seeking to consolidate, clarify and streamline the standards.

The 2022 revised initial-level standards include the consolidation, clarification, and the removal of extraneous language. In addition, specific standards for technology have been added, given the increase in online learning. Equity and diversity measures have been specifically included in components of the standards to ensure proper attention is given and each provider must demonstrate progress toward recruiting and graduating a candidate pool that reflects the diversity of America’s P-12 students, as well as increased flexibility in documenting candidate’s academic knowledge and their impact on student learning and development.

**Action:**

The Advisory Board is recommended to receive the presentation on the CAEP 2022 revised standards.