
COVID-19 Continuous Learning Plan Policy 3.210

The Background:

At its April 12, 2021 Special Called Meeting, the State Board of Education approved a permanent Continuous Learning Plan (CLP) Rule 0520-01-17. That rule revised expectations for CLPs that had previously been established in emergency rules in response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. This policy further defines the permanent rule and offers more detailed information to support the development, refinement, and implementation of high-quality CLPs.

This policy was developed in consultation with the Tennessee Department of Education to address common implementation challenges and questions that surfaced during the 2020-21 school year. Staff will continue to revise the policy before final reading based on feedback from the Department, districts, and public charter schools.

Policy Justification:

T.C.A. § 4-5-230 requires that justification for adopting an item as a policy instead of a rule be submitted to the chair of the Government Operations Committee. This item is proposed to be adopted as a policy because it defines or explains the meaning of a statute or rule and/or concerns only the internal management of state government that does not affect private rights or privileges.

The Recommendation:

State Board staff recommends acceptance of this item on first reading.