General Para Cert 2023-2024

General Paraeducator Certification - 14 hours to be delivered during the 2023-2024 school year

Option 1: Back to School PD Days Clock Hours provided by your building principal and Safe Schools clock hours.

Option 2: Intro to SIOP Training- 18 clock hours (paid for 18 hours)

These are only options if you are unable to do the above 2 options or need to make up hours:

Makeup Option 1: OSPI Moodle Subject Matter ELL, 20 clock hours through OSPI (paid for 14 hours). You are required to complete 14 hours, it is optional for you to complete the full 20*.

Makeup Option 2: <u>OSPI Moodle Subject Matter Sped</u>, <u>20 clock hours through OSPI</u> (paid for 14 hours). You are required to complete 14 hours, it is optional for you to complete the full 20*.

Makeup Option 3: <u>OSPI Dyslexia Course</u>, up to 18 clock hours (paid for 14 hours). You are required to complete 14 hours, it is optional for you to complete the full 18. You can complete any combination of courses that add up to 14 hours*.

Makeup Option 4: <u>Professional Growth Plan</u>, <u>25 clock hours through OSPI</u> (paid for 14 hours). You can only do 1 PGP to count towards your general para cert.

All makeup options are self-directed, meaning you do these on your own time. Remember, completing the 14 hours is a condition of your employment so if you don't do the hours or makeup options, you will not be able to continue working as a paraeducator.

NOTE: **Paid time**...you will be paid up to 14 hours for attending/taking these courses each year until you have accumulated your 70 hours for your General Paraeducator Certification.

- But what if you take a 20 hour course this year? You will be paid for 14 hours this year (23-24) and 6 hours next year (24-25) AND you'll need to complete 8 more hours to meet the requirement for next year.
- What if I complete all 70 hours this year? You will be paid for 14 hours this year (23-24), 14 hours next year (24-25), 14 hour the following year (25-26), 14 hours in (27-28)