1. SUBJECT
   Pending Rules – Teacher Technology Standards (08.02.02)

BACKGROUND
   The inservice teacher technology requirements have been in place for several years as part of school accreditation policy. The Professional Standards Commission is recommending that the requirements for inservice teachers be part of the certification process in the future.

DISCUSSION
   These rule changes would provide that technology competency must be demonstrated prior to obtaining an Idaho teaching certificate. Competency must only be shown one time, and all individuals who have proven competency since 1997 when the accreditation requirement was established will not be required to show competency again. Additionally, the Superintendent of Public Instruction is allowed to establish a system of waivers for this particular requirement.

   No substantive changes have been made since initial Board approval in June, only minor clerical changes for correctness and clarity.

COMMENTS / IMPACT OF ACTION
   Since most of the current Idaho teaching force has already met this requirement (90%), and students in Idaho teacher preparation programs have been required to meet this for several years, the audience to be most impacted will be new teachers coming in from out-of-state. They are allowed an interim certificate giving them time to meet this new certification requirement. One external comment was received suggesting that teachers with National Board Certification not be required to show technology competency since technology is used extensively in the national certification process. Upon Board approval, the rule will go forward to the Legislature for final action.

BOARD ACTION
   A motion to approve as pending rules 08.02.02.011 Technology Standards with changes as indicated.

   Moved by ______________, Seconded by ________________. Carried Yes ___ No___
EFFECTIVE DATE: This rule has been adopted by the agency and is now pending review by the 2003 Idaho State Legislature for final adoption. The pending rule becomes final and effective on September 1, 2003, unless the rule is approved, rejected, amended or modified by concurrent resolution in accordance with Section 67-5224 and 67-5291, Idaho Code. If the pending rule is approved, amended or modified by concurrent resolution, the rule becomes final and effective upon adoption of the concurrent resolution or upon the date specified in the concurrent resolution.

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5224, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has adopted a pending rule. The action is authorized pursuant to Article IX, Section 2 of the Idaho Constitution and under Sections 33-105, 33-107, 33-1201, and 33-1204, Idaho Code.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a concise explanatory statement of the reasons for adopting the pending rule and a statement of any change between the text of the proposed rule and the text of the pending rule with an explanation of the reasons for the change.

Adds to current rules a requirement that technology competency must be demonstrated before being granted a renewed certificate. Evidence that an individual has met the technology competency requirement, which was previously set forth as an accreditation requirement, anytime from January 1997 to present will meet the new requirements.

The proposed rules have been amended for clarity and consistency.

Only the sections that have changes are printed in this bulletin. The original text of the proposed rules was published in the October 2, 2002 Idaho Administrative Bulletin, Volume 02-10, pages 143-144.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the pending rule, contact Randi McDermott at 334-2270 or Mike Stefanic at 332-6800.

DATED this 8th day of November

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011. **PRESERVICE TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS.**
The proliferation of technology in our daily lives makes it essential that certificated educators are technologically literate all students are provided an opportunity to become technologically literate. The State Board of Education has established a statewide goal that teachers and administrators be trained in the use of technology for education. (7-1-99)(9-01-03)

01. **Preservice Competency.** Effective September 1999, all applicants for initial Idaho certification (pre-K through grade 12) from an Idaho approved teacher education program must demonstrate beginning technology skills by passing a basic educational technology competency assessment. (7-1-99)(9-01-03)

02. **Assessment Methods.** Preservice educators will be able to use the Idaho Technology Competency Exam, the Idaho Technology Portfolio Assessment, or another process which meets the express approval of the State Board of Education to demonstrate the required basic technology standards Renewal. (7-1-99)(___)

   a. For certificate renewal purposes, all individuals holding a valid Idaho certificate (pre-kindergarten through grade 12) shall demonstrate technology competency by passing a basic educational technology assessment as approved by the State Board of Education. (9-01-03)

   b. As part of the certificate renewal process, the applicant shall submit an original certificate of completion, a notarized copy of the certificate, or an official letter of completion from a State Board of Education-approved provider of the technology competency assessment. (9-01-03)

   c. Evidence of meeting the competency requirement shall be accepted from January 1, 1997, the implementation date as approved by the State Board of Education. For renewal purposes, passing the technology competency assessment is required only once. (9-1-03)

03. **Standards.** The technology standards shall be based on the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) foundational standards. The assessments shall include the Idaho Technology Competency Exam, the Idaho Technology Portfolio Assessment or another process which meets the express approval of the State Board of Education. **Waiver of Technology Competency** (7-1-99)(___)

   a. When applying for certificate renewal, an automatic waiver of the technology requirement shall be granted for those certificated individuals who live outside of the State of Idaho and/or currently are not employed in the State of Idaho. This waiver applies only as long as the individual remains outside the State of Idaho or as long as the individual is not employed.
as an educator in the state of Idaho.  

b. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction will develop and oversee a process for requests for waivers from certificated educators who would otherwise be covered by this rule. (9-1-03)

04. Out-of-State Applicants

a. An out-of-state applicant for an Idaho certificate shall be granted a three-year, non-renewable interim certificate to allow time to meet the Idaho technology competency requirement. (9-01-03)

b. Those individuals who qualify for an Idaho certificate through the NASDTEC (National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification) Interstate Contract reciprocity agreement shall be granted a three-year, non-renewable, interim certificate to allow time to meet the Idaho technology competency requirement. (9-1-03)

05. Assessment Methods. Preservice educators, holders of a valid Idaho certificate, and out-of-state applicants may elect to use any State Board of Education-approved technology assessment, including the

a. Idaho Technology Competency Exam; (9-01-03)

b. Idaho Technology Portfolio Assessment; (9-01-03)

c. Idaho Technology Performance Assessment; or, (9-01-03)

d. Another process which meets the express approval of the State Board of Education to demonstrate the required basic technology competency. (9-01-03)