



GEORGIA NONPUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION

Newsletter / April 2026

SPRING TOWNHALL (VIRTUAL)

Mark your calendars! GNPEC will be hosting a virtual town hall on May 20th at 1:00 PM. Please see the flyer below for the registration link.

MONITORING STUDENT OUTCOMES

GNPEC actively monitors student outcomes and job placement benchmarks for unaccredited institutions. Schools that fall below these benchmarks are placed on progress monitoring for the subsequent year of authorization.

Required Benchmarks:

Unaccredited institutions are expected to meet the following performance standards:

- **Graduation Rate:** At least **50%** of enrolled students
- **Job Placement Rate:** At least **60%** of graduates employed **within their field of study**

Failure to meet one or both benchmarks may impact a program's authorization status.

Renewal of Authorization Requirements:

As part of the Renewal of Authorization application, unaccredited institutions must annually submit student contact and placement information that corresponds to reported student outcome data.

This includes:

- Contact information for **all graduates**
- Each graduate's **placement status**

This information supports GNPEC's ongoing review of program effectiveness.

Programmatic Monitoring Levels:

GNPEC evaluates programs using a tiered monitoring system:

Low Monitoring

- Meets **both** graduation and placement benchmarks
- No issues identified

Moderate Monitoring

- Fails to meet **one or more** benchmarks in the most recent year
- Considered a **warning status**
- No immediate consequences
- Designed to allow time for programs affected by an abnormal cohort or short-term issue to make corrections

High Monitoring

- Fails to meet **one or more** benchmarks for **two consecutive years**

What this means:

- The program will not be renewed again during the next renewal cycle
- The school is given one year to make programmatic changes
- GNPEC will not specify deficiencies; but rather, the school must submit a Programmatic Improvement Plan documenting the changes being made
- Note: Standard Program Evaluation fees apply to any substantive changes

Outcomes of Continued Non-Compliance

- If no changes are made before the next renewal, the program will be inactivated at the end of that cycle.
- If changes are made (e.g., new instructor, placement tracking, substantive or non-substantive revisions), the program is granted one additional reporting period to demonstrate improvement.
- Any program that fails to meet both benchmarks for four consecutive years, regardless of changes or circumstances, will be inactivated due to ineffectiveness.

PROGRAM PRICING

Program pricing must be consistent across all documents, including the approved program applications in EDvera and on websites/social media. If an institution intends to change pricing in any way, it must be reported to GNPEC via a Program Change Application prior to implementation.

GENERATING PROGRAM APPROVAL LETTERS IN EDVERA

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- Initial Authorization Application
- Initial Bond Only Exemption Application
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- New Accreditation Application
- New Notification Document
- New Unaccredited Program Application
- Other Exemption Program Application

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Submission Comments 0 Status **Issued** History

Program Approval Letter

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Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission
2082 East Exchange Place, Suite 220
Tucker, Georgia 30084-5305

04/28/2026

EDvera Training School located at Test Street Atlanta, GA 12345 meets the requirements set forth by the Nonpublic Postsecondary Educational Institution Act of 1990 of O.C.G.A. § 20-3-250 and has been issued a Certificate of Authorization valid until 12/31/2027.

Institutional Status: Authorized

Programs approved as part of this Authorization are listed below:

Program Name	Program Award Level	Total Program Hours	How are the program hours calculated?*	How is instruction delivered?
test	Associates		S	
test	Certificate		S	

*"C" for clock hour; "S" for semester credit hour; "Q" for quarter credit hour

Sincerely,
/s/

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Name	For	Status
Application for Name Reservation	EDvera Training School (2016-08-02)	Complete
Approval for Name Reservation	Other Approval issued by Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission: EDvera Training School (2016-08-02)	Issued
Approved Program Letter	State Approval issued by Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission: EDvera Training School (Expires: 2027-12-31) (2026-04-28)	Issued

Or your “Approvals” tab:

Approval Type	Approval Date	Expiration Date	Status
Other Approval	08/02/2016		Active
State Approval	04/28/2026	12/31/2027	Active

You should regenerate the letter any time there has been a change in your approved programming.

REMINDERS FOR RENEWALS

Timely Renewal of Authorization:

Please be reminded that a complete Renewal of Authorization Application and applicable fees are due at least 60 days prior to your institution's authorization expiration date. For the Renewal of Authorization Application to be considered complete, all components of the application must be submitted by the Application Due Date. Please reach out to your assigned Regulatory Specialist with any questions.

Submission of application and fee(s) after the due date but prior to 30 days before expiration will be assessed a 25% late fee on the Authorization and TGTF Fees, if applicable.

Submission of application and fee(s) within 30 days of the expiration will be assessed a 50% late fee on the Authorization and TGTF Fees, if applicable.

Automatic nonrenewal of institutional authorization will result if the Renewal of Authorization Application and all applicable fees are not received by the expiration date. Should the institution seek to regain authorization, it must apply as a new institution (Initial Authorization Application) including being subject to all appropriate fees and bonding requirements.

MINIMUM STANDARD OF THE MONTH

Standard 9: Advertising

The Minimum Standards provide specific criteria for compliance with the standards set forth in Georgia law. These standards are applied equally to all institutions authorized by GNPEC or seeking to get authorized by GNPEC.

Minimum Standard 9 states the following:

1. All published institutional documentation, including advertisements, must present only accurate information and should never engage in any communications that are false, deceptive, misleading, or unfair.
 - a. Any photos used must not be misleading.
 - b. Job placement cannot be guaranteed.

- c. No service or equipment provided to enrolled students can be represented as “free.”
2. The institution will abide by all applicable consumer protection laws to ensure the fair and equitable treatment of all constituents (potential and enrolled students).
3. The institution will not use authorization by this agency as an endorsement or an apparent endorsement by the agency including but not limited to use on any advertisement, publication, statement, or credential awarded to graduates upon completion; provided, however, an institution shall not be prohibited from publicly stating that it has been duly authorized by this agency.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Renewal Applicant Training (Virtual) – May 5 from 10:00-11:30 AM

Commission Meeting (In-Person) – May 18 from 1:00-3:00 PM



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INSTITUTION TOWN HALL

Hear important updates and engage directly with GNPEC leaders and Regulatory Specialists in a live, collaborative online session.

**MAY 20, 2026
1:00 PM**

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