

# NEW TEACHER WORKSHOP

## Special Populations (Perkins Act of 2006)

Individuals with disabilities

Individuals from economically disadvantaged families, including foster children

Individuals preparing for non-traditional fields

Single Parents, including single pregnant women

Displaced Homemakers

Individuals with limited English Proficiency

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## Special Needs Education

All those listed for Perkins +

Juvenile and Adult Offenders

Academically disadvantaged

# What is required?

PSAV students or secondary students dually enrolled in a PSAV program of 450 hours or longer must test on a basic skills examination within 6 weeks after admission into a program

Students meet exit requirements or be provided instruction

Those not meeting requirements must post-test and meet requirements before receiving certificate

# Who is exempt from testing?

Students that have an AAS degree or higher

Students that are exempt from the CLAST

Students that are exempt from the college level entry exam

Students in registered apprenticeship programs

# Who may be exempt?

Students may pass certain licensure exams in lieu of basic skills requirements

Students with disabilities may be exempt from meeting exit requirements

# Legal Issues

It is against Federal OCR policy to deny entry into a Career and technical education (vocational) program based solely on test score

Grade level requirements listed in the curriculum frameworks are exit requirements not entry requirements

State Board Rule and Florida Statute require testing after admission into the program.

# Upgrading Basic Skills

Can be provided by VPI – Vocational Preparatory Instruction labs

Can be provided by ABE – Adult Basic Education

Student may learn on their own

May use an outside entity (Sylvan, Literacy Volunteers, etc.)

The state recommends at least 60 hours (or 3 months) of instruction between pre- and post-testing

# Vocational Preparatory Instruction (VPI)

Provides vocationally-related academic instruction to Career education students

Available in all Career/Technical Centers and many State colleges (formerly Community Colleges)

VPI is for students at 6.0 grade level and above

Pre-VPI is for students below the 6<sup>th</sup> grade level

# Accommodations

Students with documented disabilities must be provided with accommodations to assist them in being successful in the program

# Strategies

**SLD – SOME LEARN DIFFERENTLY**

Visual

Tactile

Auditory

Repetition

Mnemonics

# Resources

Teaching Resources

Support Resources

Liaison with Parents

Rights of Teachers

# Resources

Rights of Students (FERPA)

Rights of Parents

Transition Specialist

Outside Support Persons – Tutors,  
Counselors, Medical Personnel

# Other Agencies

Agency for Persons with Disabilities

Center for Independent Living

Division of Blind Services

Vocational Rehabilitation

Abilities

Goodwill

ARC

# TIPS for Teachers

Varying Teaching Strategies

Maintain High Expectations

Positive Reinforcement and Support

Encourage Independence

Get to know your students

Consult with Special Services Staff

Collaborate with others

# Web sites

## Publications

[www.fldoe.org/ese/pubxhome.asp](http://www.fldoe.org/ese/pubxhome.asp)

## FERPA

[http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/reg/ferpa/  
index.html](http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/reg/ferpa/index.html)

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