

Educator Preparation Institutes

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Background

- Senate Bill 2986 (2004)
- Creates s. 1004.85, Florida Statutes
- New Option for Post-secondary Institutions in Florida to Offer Educator Training
- Does *not* Replace Current Post-secondary Institution Degree and Credit Programs for Teacher Training

Types of Educator Training

- Professional Development for Certified Teachers
- Training for Substitute Teachers
 - New Training Requirements in SB 2986
- Training for Paraprofessionals
 - Help with Qualified Status under NCLB
- Competency-based Alternative Certification for Bachelor's Degree Holders

Professional Development for Certified Teachers

- Targeted to Needs – Will Work Directly with District and Other Master Inservice Plan Holders
- Assistance with Adding a Subject or Endorsement to a Certificate
- Renewal of a Professional Certificate

Competency-based Alternative Certification

- Satisfies “Professional Preparation and Education Competence” Requirement for the Initial Professional Certificate
 1. Professional Education Training
 2. Field Experiences to Demonstrate Competencies
 3. Passing Score on the Professional Education Certification Test

Competency-based Certification Training

- Performance-based Training Provides:
 - An Additional High Quality Option for Potential Teachers to Become Successful Teachers
 - Flexibility to Tailor the Training to the Participant Based upon Demonstrated Competencies
 - Opportunity to Focus just on that which is Relevant and Effective in Raising Student Achievement in a Real Classroom
 - Increased Partnerships with School Districts and other K-12 Entities without Supplanting Current District and College of Education Programs

Rollout Status

- DOE K-20 Workgroup Developed Application Guidelines and Evaluation Criteria – to be Published to All in TAP
- Provided Workshop Presentations to Community College Curriculum Directors
- Provided Introductory Information and Invitation to Comment at FACTE
- K-20 Evaluation Committee will Review Applications for Eligibility