

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Action Items

October 19, 2004

SUBJECT: Rule 6A-1.094222 - Standards for Mid – Year Promotion of Retained Third Graders

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approval of standards for the mid-year promotion of retained third-graders with the amendment which includes clarification that evidence of students' mastery of skills must be consistent with the month of promotion to fourth grade as presented in the district's core reading program scope and sequence chart.

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1008.25 (7)(b)4., Florida Statutes

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Under the statewide public school student progression law eliminating social promotion, students who scored at Level 1 on the grade 3 Reading portion of the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) must be retained unless they meet one of the good cause exemptions specified in Section 1008.25, Florida Statutes. The 2004 revisions to this law require school districts to implement a policy for the mid-year promotion of any retained student who can demonstrate that he or she is a successful and independent reader and has progressed sufficiently to master appropriate fourth grade skills. The State Board of Education is directed to adopt such standards for the mid-year promotion of retained third graders.

Supporting Documentation Included:

Section 1008.25, Florida Statutes, Public school student progression; remedial instruction; reporting requirements.

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