

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Policy Issues for Concurrence
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SUBJECT: Baccalaureate Proposal Approval Process for Community Colleges

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approval of the application template, flow chart, and time line of activities for community college baccalaureate proposals

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1007.33 (3), Florida Statutes, Site-Determined Baccalaureate Degree Access

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In 2001, the Legislature granted community colleges the authority to develop proposals to deliver specified baccalaureate degree programs to meet local workforce needs. Proposals must be submitted to the State Board of Education for approval.

According to Section 1007.33(3), the proposal must be submitted to the Council for Education Policy Research and Improvement (CEPRI) for review and comment. Since CEPRI was not funded in the 2005 Legislative session, the Division of Community Colleges and Workforce Education (DCCWE) has collaborated with the Florida Board of Governors' Office and the Office of Articulation, Research and Measurement to develop efficient and effective procedures to guide community colleges in developing proposals.

This revised process for approving community college baccalaureate proposals supports Strategic Imperative 5: Increase the Quantity and Improve the Quality of Education Options.

Supporting Documentation Included:

- ◆ Baccalaureate Program Proposal for Community Colleges-Application Template
 - Section 1007.33, F.S.
 - Baccalaureate Proposal Approval Process for Community Colleges-Flow Chart
 - K-20 Goals and Strategic Imperatives
 - Baccalaureate Limited Access Program Request Form
 - Enrollment, Performance, and Budget Plan
- ◆ Time Line Summary

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