

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

April 18, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Lake City Community College - Request Site Designation Approval for Gilchrist County Special Purpose Center

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

To approve the request from the Board of Trustees of Lake City Community College for a Special Purpose Center designation in Gilchrist County.

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1001.02 (7) (e), Florida Statutes.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Florida Department of Education's strategic imperative to coordinate efforts to improve higher student learning is achieved with the approval of this request for the special purpose center. Rule 6A-14.0061, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), entitled "Campus, Center, Special Purpose Center and Instructional Site Designations" provides that the State Board of Education review and recommend for or against the establishment of campuses, centers and special purpose centers. To obtain State capital outlay and operating support, the facilities must be designated a campus, center or special purpose center. Based on the documentation presented by the college, all the criteria stipulated in Rule 6A-14.0061 are satisfied. The college is requesting designation of a special purpose center to provide classes and training programs for an underserved population of economically and educationally disadvantaged citizens. The proposed center will greatly improve access to critical education services for the residents of this *Rural Area of Economic Concern*, enabling the College to better fulfill long-range strategic planning goals. (See the Proposal for a complete description). In concert with the goal of the State and the college to provide access to an underserved population, this request for a Special Purpose Center is justified.

Request for a waiver for this item.                      Yes                       No

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Letter of request, Proposal and SBOE Rule 6A-14.0061, F.A.C.

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