



## K-20 EDUCATION PERFORMANCE ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT

### October Update

Approximately 125 K-20 and sector task force members, staff and guests participated in Summit 2 at the University of South Florida on October 8, 2003. The primary objectives of the summit were for the K-20 Task Force to:

- *Recommend system and sector measures to use in reporting how well Florida's K-20 Education System is educating its students and what the public is receiving for funds invested in education.*
- *Recommend guidelines and principles to be used in developing K-20 education performance-based funding models.*
- *Formulate recommendations to include in final report to be submitted to Commissioner's K-20 Policy Team.*

The K-20 Task Force reached agreement on five system measures shown in the chart below. Several sector measures have outstanding issues that will require further study and discussion before the task force makes final recommendations. Staff will survey task force members to determine which of the proposed sector measures are considered to be most important for K-20 accountability.

The task force also agreed on basic performance based funding principles to be used as guidelines for developing performance funding models in the next phase of the accountability project. All products from the Summit will be placed on the webpage for further review and critique before final recommendations are submitted to the Commissioner's K-20 Policy Council by November 5, 2003. A final report will be presented to the State Board at its November meeting.

### Agreements and Recommendations on Measures

<b>PROPOSED SYSTEM AND SECTOR MEASURES</b>	<b>TASK FORCE AGREEMENTS ON MEASURES</b>
<b>STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT</b>	<b>Measures accepted as proposed except for the Community College and University external student assessment issue. Suggested changes from presentation to assessments at the sophomore-to-junior levels.</b>
<b>ACCESS</b>	<b>Measures accepted as proposed.</b>
<b>PROGRESSION AND READINESS</b>	<b>Measures accepted with the agreement to use 4 and 6-year graduation rates for universities for full and part time students; 2 and 3-year rates for community colleges.</b>
<b>EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS</b>	<b>Measures accepted as proposed. Participants concerned about the relevance of placement rates and suggested earnings bands as more appropriate.</b>
<b>RETURN ON INVESTMENT</b>	<b>Agreement to: (1) include measure that looks at research dollars per tenured faculty and (2) send overall issues and concerns to the Commissioner's K-20 Policy Council.</b>