



## Weekly Memo

### Action Items

#### Notice of Rule Development

To view the draft and submit comments for the following rule, go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules/>.

- Rule [6A-4.0172](#), Florida Administrative Code, Specialization Requirements for Certification in the Area of Hearing Impaired (Grades K-12) - Academic Class

#### Webinar on Providing Accommodations Virtually

The Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System Administration is happy to conduct "Providing Accommodations in a Virtual Environment," a two-hour webinar for educators on **March 26, 2019**, at 1:30 p.m. EST. For registration information and additional details, see the attached document. For questions, contact Shannon McCosker at [mccoskers@nefec.org](mailto:mccoskers@nefec.org) or Mary Ann Ahearn at [ahearnm@nefec.org](mailto:ahearnm@nefec.org).

- Filename: Accommodations in a Virtual Environment Flyer

### Informational Items

#### BEESS Discretionary Project Virtual Instructional Resources

BEESS Discretionary Projects are gathering resources they utilize or are aware of to assist educators in meeting the needs of all learners in alternate settings. During these challenging times, we hope this "One Stop Shop for Resources" might be of assistance to you and your educators. To view the list, go to <http://bit.ly/responses2020>. If you are a project representative and you have a statewide or national resource you would like to add to the list, go to <http://bit.ly/BEESSform2020>. For questions, email [mccoskers@nefec.org](mailto:mccoskers@nefec.org), [saunderss@nefec.org](mailto:saunderss@nefec.org) or [ahearnm@nefec.org](mailto:ahearnm@nefec.org).

#### ESE Endorsement Tuition Support Program

This program provides financial assistance to exceptional student education (ESE) teachers who are teaching students identified as having autism spectrum disorders or Prekindergarten ESE in Florida public schools. Please include announcements of the ESE Endorsements Tuition Support Programs in regional notices, listservs or newsletters for teachers. To view the application, go to <https://florida-ese.org/tuition-support>. For questions, contact Melanie Morales, at [ESESupport@fiu.edu](mailto:ESESupport@fiu.edu).

### **In-Field Content Certification Support**

The purpose of the In-Field Content Certification Support program is to provide financial assistance to ESE teachers who are teaching students using Florida Standards access points in a Florida public school to assist teachers meet in-field content certification requirements. This program provides financial assistance, up to \$225, for eligible teachers to take the Elementary Education K-6 Certification Exam and to add that subject area to their educator certificate. This is a pilot project limited to select districts at this time. To be accepted into this program, the applicant must have a Florida Educator Certificate in ESE, be currently employed in a Florida public school, be teaching students using Florida Standards access points and need to add Elementary Education K-6 certification in order to meet in-field requirements. For more information, contact Melanie Morales at [ESESupport@fiu.edu](mailto:ESESupport@fiu.edu).

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### **2020 Florida Teacher Certification Examinations Test Development**

The FDOE has issued the following memorandum regarding the 2020 FTCE test development. The memorandum may be viewed at <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8858/dps-2020-19.pdf>.

### **Florida School Volunteer Appreciation Month**

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has issued the following memorandum regarding Florida School Volunteer Appreciation Month, which will be observed in April. The memorandum may be viewed at <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8857/dps-2020-30.pdf>.

### **2019-20 Dads Take Your Child to School Day Contest Winner**

The FDOE has issued the following memorandum regarding the 2019-20 Dads Take Your Child to School Day Contest Winner. The memorandum may be viewed at <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8856/dps-2020-38.pdf>.

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# Providing Accommodations in a Virtual Environment


**DATE: MARCH 26, 2020**  
**TIME: 1:30PM-3:30PM EST**  
**LOCATION: ADOBE CONNECT**

While providing instruction to students with Individual Education Plans and Section 504 Plans in a virtual environment, it is important to continue to provide them with the necessary accommodations so that they can continue to be successful in this new learning environment. This webinar will provide examples of possible digital accommodations that can be used in virtual instruction based on the student's current accommodation needs. We will also discuss ideas for documenting and assessing the implementation of these digital accommodations.



**Register: [bit.ly/PAVE2020](https://bit.ly/PAVE2020)**





# ELEMENTARY IN-FIELD CONTENT CERTIFICATION SUPPORT PROGRAM

## Supporting Students with Disabilities

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Florida Educator Certificate in Exceptional Student Education (ESE)
- Currently employed in a Florida public school
- Teach students using access points
- Need Elementary Education K-6 certification to meet in-field requirements

This program provides financial assistance for eligible teachers to take the Elementary Education K-6 Certification Exam and add that subject area to their educator certificate.

**PLEASE EMAIL [ESUPPORT@FIU.EDU](mailto:ESUPPORT@FIU.EDU) FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROGRAM**

This is a pilot project limited to selected districts at this time. This program is available through annual funding from the Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B.