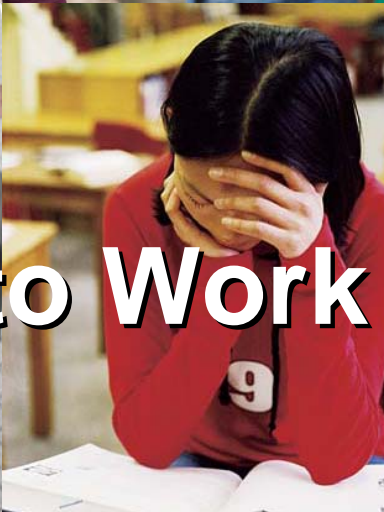




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Putting Minds to Work

“Nearly 90 percent of students say they want to pursue more education after graduation, but only half of them do. We can help students understand their options and achieve their goals.”

- Commissioner Jeanine Blomberg

Go Higher Task Force

- **Striving for a Seamless K-20 System**
Makes policy recommendations and creates programs to align curriculum and assessment for secondary to postsecondary education.
- **Membership**
 - District Superintendents.
 - Community College Presidents.
 - State University Leaders.
 - DOE Staff.

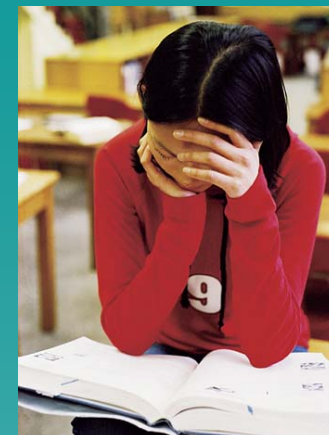
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**Go Higher
Get Accepted!**



Targets high school seniors not accepted to a college or university.
Encourages enrollment in a Florida community college before graduation.

Community College Pilot FCAT/CPT Exemption



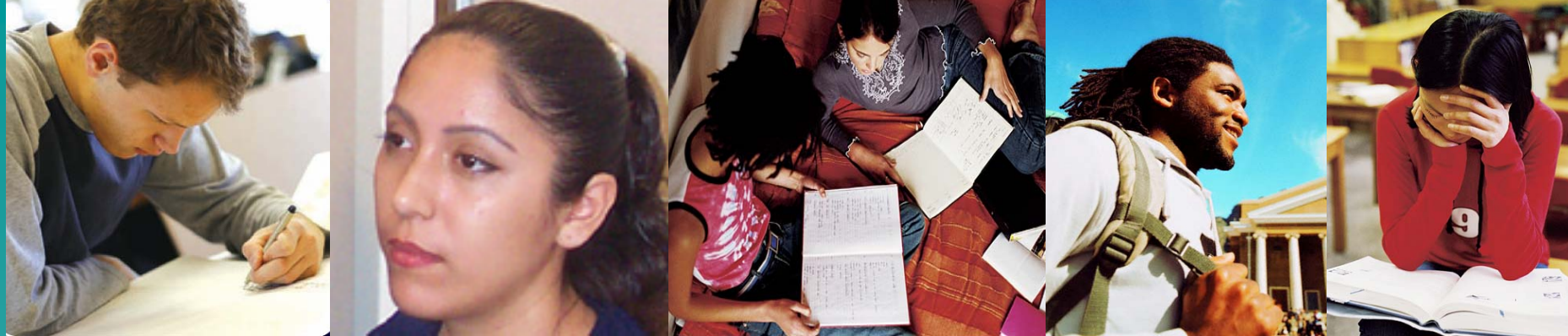
- Students who score:
 - 4 or 5 in Reading (FCAT).
 - 5 in Math (FCAT).
 - Have 90 percent or better chance of scoring “college ready” on College Entry-Level Placement Test (CPT) *
- The FCAT/CPT Pilot Project exempts incoming community college students from taking the CPT if they achieve referenced FCAT scores.

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Did you know?

- **Nearly half of all students in American higher education are now enrolled in community colleges.**
- **Half of all recent baccalaureate degree recipients have taken coursework at community colleges.**

- Community College Journal



“The more courses students take and the more challenging those courses, the more likely these students will be college ready and will persist to a college degree.”

Crisis at the Core; Preparing All Students for College

Dual Enrollment

- **Nearly 40% of Florida high school graduates completed at least one AP, IB, AICE or Dual Enrollment course.**
- **86% of Dual Enrollment students earned postsecondary credit.**

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2007 Dual Enrollment Legislation

- **FTE Count:**

- FTE for dual enrollment will be counted the same as AP regardless of block scheduling.
- Dual enrollment instruction of public school students, shall be provided in an amount equal to the hours of instruction which would be necessary to earn the FTE and the funding for an equivalent course if it were taught in the school district.

(Specific Appropriation 86)

- **Instructional Materials:**

- School districts shall pay for instructional materials used for the instruction of public high school students who are earning credit toward high school graduation under dual enrollment program as provided in Section 1011.62(1)(i), Florida Statutes.

Community College Baccalaureate Degree Programs

- **Chapter 1007.33 F.S.**
Authorizes community colleges to offer baccalaureate degrees.
- **BOG/SBOE Agreement.**
Identifies nursing, teaching, and Bachelor of Applied Science as appropriate degrees for community colleges.
- **HB 7147.**
Authorizes community colleges to develop proposals for baccalaureate degree programs in Math and Science that would prepare graduates to enter teaching positions in those subjects.



Educator Preparation Institutes (EPIs)

Competency-based
alternative teacher certification
for baccalaureate degree
holders.

- **EPI Students:**

- ✓ Must demonstrate the same competencies (Florida Educator Accomplished Practices).
- ✓ Pass the same tests (Florida Teacher Certification Exams).



EPI Results to Date

Florida Teacher Certification Exam = 93%
Pass Rate

Enrollment (2005-06) TOTAL: 1,151.

Addressing Male Teacher Shortages

- 26% Community Colleges.
- 13% SUS.

Community College

Expected Enrollment (2006-07) 3,500



2007 EPI Legislation

- \$3,790,000 appropriated within the Community College Program Fund.



- CS/HB 343

Florida Work Experience Program (FWEP)

- Funded at \$1,569,922.
- Normally, students who have baccalaureate degrees are not eligible for FWEP funds.
- EPI students are eligible for FWEP grants through this statutory exception.

Questions?

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