

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Consent Item**  
October 20, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Repeal of Rule 6A-14.0491, Instructional Personnel – Availability to Students

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Repeal

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1001.02, Florida Statutes

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Currently, the rule provides that Florida College System institutions must adopt policies that require full-time instructional faculty to have, publically post and follow classroom and office hours to be available to students. There are existing external regional accreditation requirements regarding instructional contact hours for state college faculty. Repeal of this rule has no effect given this accreditation requirement and there is not explicit rulemaking authority in statute on this topic.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Proposed rule repeal 6A-14.0491, F.A.C.

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