

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
February 9, 2022

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-4.0051, Renewal and Reinstatement of a Professional Certificate

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1012.55, 1012.585(6), Florida Statutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

All educators are required to earn 120 inservice points (or 6 college credit equivalent) every five (5) years to renew their Professional Certificates. Twenty (20) of the 120 points must be in the teaching of students with disabilities. For educators who hold Professional Certificates expiring in 2025, and thereafter, and in subject areas responsible for reading as specified in the current rule must earn forty (40) points of the 120 points in reading strategies and interventions listed in the current rule.

Proposed Rule 6A-4.0051, F.A.C., is recommended for amendment to clarify the topics for which credit must be earned to satisfy the forty (40) point reading requirement and place a limitation on the use of certain credit earned. This amendment will modify renewal requirements to be consistent with recent legislative changes.

Changes are proposed to:

- Add specificity to the reading credit topics to include strategies and interventions for students with characteristics of dyslexia, phonological awareness and decoding.
- Limit the use of inservice points earned in topics not related to student learning and professional growth to once in a 5-year validity period.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-4.0051, F.A.C.

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