

6A-4.0164 Specialization Requirements for the Civics Seal of Excellence (Endorsement).

(1) In order to be eligible for the Civics Seal of Excellence Endorsement, an educator must:

(a) Hold a valid Florida Educator Certificate issued by the Department of Education under Section 1012.56,

F.S.; and

(b) Complete a Department of Education civics and government training program aligned to Florida's standards for Civics and Government adopted in Rule 6A-1.09401, F.A.C.

(2) The civics and government training program must consist of a minimum of fifty (50) contact hours and address the following:

(a) The philosophical underpinnings of the American Republic and the root foundation of American exceptionalism;

(b) The success of the United States and the success or failure of other nations' governing philosophies to evaluate their past, present and likely future effects;

(c) The value of civic pride and regular participation by citizens in all levels of the government; and

(d) The rights and responsibilities of citizens, including the process of advocating properly with government officials.

(3) Educators must register to participate in the civics and government training program in a manner prescribed by the Department of Education.

(4) Upon successful completion of the civics and government training program, educators must submit an application per Rule 6A-4.0012, F.A.C., to the Department of Education Bureau of Educator Certification to add the Civics Seal of Excellence (Endorsement) to their valid Florida Educator Certificate.

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