



**Approval of Amendment to
Rule 6A-4.0021, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.),
Florida Teacher Certification Examinations (FTCE)**

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- Florida continues to be the most military friendly state.
 - This amendment expands educator certification exam fee waivers for veterans and their spouse, whether or not the veteran served on active duty.
- Florida continues to lead the nation in setting rigorous standards for students and educators.
 - This amendment is another major milestone to implement the B.E.S.T. Standards by aligning several educator certification exam competencies and skills.
 - It also updates the passing scores for several exams to reflect current competencies and skills.

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This proposed amendment does three things:

1. Updates FTCE eligibility requirements for military certification fees waiver program to align with changes made by Senate Bill 896 during the 2022 Legislative session, which amends Section 1012.59(3), Florida Statutes (F.S.).
2. Updates the content of five (5) teacher certification examinations to reflect the Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) Student Performance Standards in Mathematics, adopted and incorporated in Rule 6A-1.09401, F.A.C.
3. Adopts new passing scores, effective January 1, 2023, for four (4) FTCE subject area examinations to reflect current competencies and skills.



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