6A-10.081 Principles of Professional Conduct for the Education Profession in Florida.

- (1) No change.
- (2) Florida educators shall comply with the following disciplinary principles. Violation of any of these principles shall subject the individual to revocation or suspension of the individual educator's certificate, or the other penalties as provided by law.
 - (a) Obligation to the student requires that the individual:
 - 1. through 5. No change.
- 6. Shall not intentionally provide classroom instruction to students in <u>pre</u>kindergarten through grade 3 on sexual orientation or gender identity.
- 7. Shall not intentionally provide classroom instruction to students in grades 4 through 12 on sexual orientation or gender identity unless such instruction is either expressly required by state academic standards as adopted in Rule 6A-1.09401, F.A.C., or is part of a reproductive health course or health lesson for which a student's parent has the option to have his or her student not attend.
 - 8. 7. Shall not intentionally violate or deny a student's legal rights.
- 9. 8. Shall not discourage or prohibit parental notification of and involvement in critical decisions affecting a student's mental, emotional, or physical health or well-being unless the individual reasonably believes that disclosure would result in abuse, abandonment, or neglect as defined in Section 39.01, F.S.
- 10. 9. Shall not harass or discriminate against any student on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national or ethnic origin, political beliefs, marital status, handicapping condition, sexual orientation, or social and family background and shall make reasonable effort to assure that each student is protected from harassment or discrimination. Discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex includes subjecting any student to training or instruction that espouses, promotes, advances, inculcates, or compels such student to believe any of the concepts listed in s. Section 1000.05(4)(a), F.S.
 - 11. 10. Shall not exploit a relationship with a student for personal gain or advantage.
- 12. 11. Shall keep in confidence personally identifiable information obtained in the course of professional service, unless disclosure serves professional purposes or is required by law.
 - (b) Obligation to the public requires that the individual:
 - 1. through 5. No change.

- (c) Obligation to the profession of education requires that the individual:
- 1. through 12. No change.
- 13. Shall self-report within forty-eight (48) hours to appropriate authorities (as determined by district) any arrests/charges involving the abuse of a child or the sale and/or possession of a controlled substance. Such notice shall not be considered an admission of guilt nor shall such notice be admissible for any purpose in any proceeding, civil or criminal, administrative or judicial, investigatory or adjudicatory. In addition, shall self-report any conviction, finding of guilt, withholding of adjudication, commitment to a pretrial diversion program, or entering of a plea of guilty or Nolo Contendere for any criminal offense other than a minor traffic violation within forty-eight (48) hours after the final judgment. When handling sealed and expunged records disclosed under this rule, school districts shall comply with the confidentiality provisions of <u>ss. Sections</u> 943.0585(4)(c) and 943.059(4)(c), F.S.
- 14. Shall report to appropriate authorities any known allegation of a violation of the Florida School Code or State Board of Education Rules as defined in <u>s. Section</u> 1012.795(1), F.S.
- 15. Shall seek no reprisal against any individual who has reported any allegation of a violation of the Florida School Code or State Board of Education Rules as defined in <u>s. Section</u> 1012.795(1), F.S.
 - 16. through 17. No change.

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