

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Action Item**  
October 18, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-6.0571, Career and Technical Education and Adult General Education Standards and Industry-Driven Benchmarks

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1004.92, F.S.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Department is responsible for developing program standards and industry-driven benchmarks for career and technical education and adult general education programs. The criteria for qualification of individual courses for inclusion in secondary and postsecondary career education programs and adult general education programs prescribed in Workforce Education programs are annually adopted by the State Board and are published by the Commissioner on the Department's website.

Section 1004.92(2)(b)4, Florida Statutes, requires "The development of program standards and industry-driven benchmarks for career, adult, and community education programs, which must be updated every 3 years. The standards must include career, academic, and workplace skills; viability of distance learning for instruction; and work/learn cycles that are responsive to business and industry.

This amended rule will include the adoption of a 60-credit hour Semiconductor Engineering Technology Associate in Science (AS degree) and a stackable 18-credit hour Semiconductor Cleanroom Operator college credit certificate (CCC). These programs have been developed to meet Florida's semiconductor manufacturing and production industry needs.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Proposed Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C., and Curriculum Frameworks for Manufacturing (under separate cover)

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