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MEMORANDUM

- TO: Florida College System Presidents
- FROM: Kathy Hebda 🖉
- **DATE:** July 25, 2023

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-10.0315, Florida Administrative Code, Demonstration of Readiness for College-Level Communication and Computation

On July 19, 2023, the State Board of Education approved revisions to Rule 6A-10.0315, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C), Demonstration of Readiness for College-Level Communication and Computation. The rule identifies minimum standards on common placement tests and alternative methods used to demonstrate readiness to perform college-level work, in accordance with section 1008.30, Florida Statutes. A copy of the rule is attached for your reference.

As background, prior to the rule amendment, there were four approved common placement tests in Rule 6A-10.0315, F.A.C., the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT), the Next-Generation ACCUPLACER, the SAT, and the ACT.

During the 2023 legislative session, legislation passed that added the Classic Learning Test (CLT) as an additional assessment option with which high school students may satisfy graduation requirements. To comply with the new legislation, the CLT and associated concordant scores have been added through amendment to Rule 6A-1.09422, F.A.C. Accordingly, Rule 6A-10.0315, F.A.C., was amended to add the CLT as a fifth common placement test option for students to demonstrate college readiness.

Revisions to Rule 6A-10.0315, F.A.C., also include the addition of "Evidence-Based" to the title of the Digital SAT Suite of Assessments "Reading and Writing" test section.

Once the rule is effective, each Florida College System (FCS) institution should review the rule revisions and take any necessary action to be consistent with changes, where applicable, which may include revisions to existing placement policies so that students may use the CLT for purposes of demonstrating college readiness or course-level placement.

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Additionally, FCS institutions should update institutional catalogs and websites, reporting mechanisms, as well as inform academic and admissions advisors of the new option.

Please contact Dr. Mike Sfiropoulos, Director of Academic Affairs, at Mike.Sfiropoulos@fldoe.org for questions regarding the rule.

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Attachments

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