



Weekly Memo

Action Items

Notices of Proposed Rule

These rule revisions are scheduled for the State Board of Education meeting on **June 10, 2021**. To view the following final proposed rules and submit comments, go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules/>:

- Rule [6A-1.09963](#), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), High School Graduation Requirements for Students with Disabilities
- Rule [6A-4.002](#), F.A.C., General Provisions

Florida Problem Solving/Response to Intervention (PS/Rtl) Project Webinar

The PS/Rtl Project is pleased to announce an upcoming statewide webinar titled, "Secondary MTSS Implementation." This webinar will be on **May 12, 2021**, at 1 p.m. EDT, and will be facilitated via Adobe Connect and a conference line. To connect to the webinar via Adobe Connect, go to <http://tlc-flmtss.adobeconnect.com/auditorium>. To connect through the conference line, call toll free at 800-309-2350, and use participant code 3886395#. For more information, contact Judi Hyde at judihyde@usf.edu.

See the Sound Visual Phonics—Online Training

The Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing (RMTC-D/HH) is excited to offer See the Sound Visual Phonics in two different virtual formats to meet the diverse needs of stakeholders:

- An asynchronous online training with Krista Phelps will be offered with a rolling start date through **May 17, 2021**. Participants must complete the six-week training by **June 25, 2021**. For more information and to register for the asynchronous online training, go to <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nozl6lfab&oeidk=a07ehsbimu5fce43602>.
- A real-time online training with Sherry Conrad will be on **May 13 and 14, 2021**. Participants must attend both days. For more information and to register for the asynchronous online training, go to <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nozl6lfab&oeidk=a07eht5rwql5b745e34>.

In this training, participants will learn the 52 sounds of the English language and how to represent them visually via hand movements and symbols. This training will provide methods for

implementing the use of visual phonics in the classroom as well as progress monitoring tools for tracking student progress in learning phonemic awareness, phonics and sounding out words. For questions, contact Jennifer Coburn at Jennifer.Coburn@fldoe.org or Carmelina Hollingsworth at c.hollingsworth@rmtcdhh.org or by phone at 800-356-6731.

2021 Hospital Homebound (HH) Contacts Meeting

The 2021 HH Contacts Meeting will be on **May 21, 2021**, from 9 to 11 a.m., EDT. Patricia Strickland, the BESE HH program specialist, will be presenting along with Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital Patient Academic Program representatives. HH contacts and teachers will have an opportunity to discuss ways to support HH students and their families. The registration deadline is **May 14, 2021**. To register, go to <https://forms.office.com/r/9b2dkwhres>. For questions, contact Patricia.Strickland@fldoe.org.

2021 Summer Literacy Institute

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has issued the following memorandum regarding the 2021 Summer Literacy Institute. Districts must register by **May 25, 2021**, per the instructions in the memo. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9150/dps-2021-71.pdf> (Memo), <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9151/dps-2021-71a.pdf> (Attachment A).

Learning Ally's Spotlight on Dyslexia Virtual Conference

Learning Ally's Spotlight on Dyslexia virtual conference will be on **June 4, 2021**. Give your teachers the opportunity to have an immediate impact in their instruction while earning up to 12 continuing education credits by attending a full day of dyslexia-focused professional learning. The conference will address indicators, screening and assessment, instructional strategies, and research-driven technology and tools. Registration is at no cost. For more information and to register, see the attached document.

- Filename: Learning Ally's Spotlight on Dyslexia Virtual Conference

Informational Items

Reminder to Return Books Borrowed from the Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI)

This is a reminder that all braille and large print books borrowed from FIMC-VI must be returned once the student no longer needs them. Returning these books allows FIMC-VI to recirculate them to another student.

- Returning 2020-2021 braille and large print textbooks: The teacher of the visually impaired should return books in boxes to FIMC-VI (4210 W. Bay Villa Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33611) via Free Matter for the Blind through the U.S. Postal Service. For questions about this process, go to <https://www.fimcvi.org/aim> or contact Kay Ratzlaff at kratzlaff@fimcvi.org.
- Ordering for the 2021-2022 school year: To increase the likelihood that your students will have their braille or large print textbooks when school starts, those books should be ordered as soon as possible. An initial transcription from print to braille can take 90 days for the first chapters to be available and another 180 days or more for the book to be complete. This is especially important for the Fall 2021 English Language Arts (ELA)

adoptions. To expedite the braille purchasing process, please let FIMC-VI know what ELA curricula your district has selected. As soon as the ISBNs for the exact titles and grade levels are known, authorized personnel must order the braille and large print textbooks online at <https://www.fimcvi.org/>.

Release of the 2020-21 Department of Juvenile Justice Accountability Ratings

The FDOE has issued the following memorandum regarding the release of the 2020-21 Department of Juvenile Justice Accountability Ratings. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9146/dps-2021-65.pdf> (Memo), <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9147/dps-2021-65a.pdf> (Attachment A) and <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9148/dps-2021-65b.pdf> (Attachment B).

New Graduation Codes for the 2020-21 School Year

The FDOE has issued the following memorandum regarding new graduation codes for the 2020-21 school year. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9149/dps-2021-63.pdf>.

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Florida Educators Can Register for Learning Ally's Spotlight on Dyslexia *for Free*



Spotlight on Dyslexia | Friday, June 4, 2021 | 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM CT

Spotlight on Dyslexia, Learning Ally's premier professional learning event, is perfect for any K-12 educator or administrator who wants to learn more about dyslexia, the science of reading, and creating a culture of literacy.

What Will You Learn at Spotlight on Dyslexia?

- » How to create a culture of literacy where everyone on your school campus or district gets involved in being a literacy leader.
- » Best practices and new research-based strategies to help grow your teaching skills, including identifying and supporting students with reading deficits like dyslexia.
- » Gain expertise on how to handle learning loss when students come back to school next year and ensure you can effectively keep them on track to succeed.

What's New This Year?

We're introducing a new, more robust hosting platform that promises enhanced interactive features for a more immersive event experience.

- » Live polling, Q&As, and the opportunity to communicate directly with speakers
- » Meet and chat with our sponsors
- » Live networking opportunities via app or desktop
- » On-the-go mobile app allows you to stream the event no matter where you are

Earn Up To 12 CE Certificates

Earn up to 12 CE Certificates by attending Spotlight on Dyslexia. CECs are earned by viewing sessions live, on the day of the event, or anytime on-demand through December 1, 2021.

Free Registration for Florida Educators

Learning Ally has partnered FLDOE/BESE to provide FREE registration to Florida Educators. Spaces are limited, though, so act quick!

Use code **SPODFL** and [register today!](#)

Want to learn more about Spotlight on Dyslexia, Contact us at spotlightdyslexia@learningally.org