Weekly Memo

Action Items

** Notices of Rule Development **

The following rules will have a rule development workshop on January 31, 2023. Participants may join via the Microsoft Teams link listed in each notice. To view the draft and submit comments for the following rules, go to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) State Board Rules Under Review web page:

- Rule 6A-6.09091, F.A.C., Accommodations of the Statewide Assessment Program Instruments and Procedures for English Language Learners

** Autism Navigator for Classroom Success in Prekindergarten through Second Grade Webinar Series **

The Center for Autism and Related Disabilities is pleased to announce that registration is open for this six-week webinar series. The first webinar will be on February 1, 2023. All general education and special education teachers, district-level personnel, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, early interventionists, psychologists, behavior specialists, social workers, paraprofessionals, college students, and anyone else interested in learning about students with autism are encouraged to attend. While this webinar is designed as a companion to the Autism Navigator Classroom Success course, attendance in both is not required. Participants will learn about an evidence-based framework to prioritize goals using a lens of active engagement and a layer cake of teaching strategies to promote learning and positive behavior. To learn more about this series and to register, go to the Autism Navigator for Classroom Success in Prekindergarten through Second Grade Webinar Series web page or see the attached document. For questions about the webinar series, contact support@autismnavigator.com.

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** Application Posted for the Private School Opportunity to Administer Florida Statewide Assessments in 2023–24 **

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the application for the private school opportunity to administer Florida statewide assessments in 2023-24. Completed applications must be notarized and submitted by March 1, 2023, per the instructions in the memo.
2023 Great Florida Teach-In Registration
The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the 2023 Great Florida Teach-In Registration, which will be in Lakeland on April 15, 2023. Registration must be completed by March 10, 2023, per the instructions in the memo.

2023 Healthy Schools Summer Academy
The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the 2023 Healthy Schools Summer Academy, which will be in Lakeland on June 14-15, 2023. Registration must be completed by May 1, 2023, per the instructions in the memo.

Save the Date—Florida Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE) Summer Leadership Institute
The Florida CASE Summer Leadership Institute will be in Bonita Springs on June 12-14, 2023. For more information, see the attached document or go to the Florida CASE website.
- Filename: FLCASE Save the Date

Informational Items

Position Available for a FIN Facilitator in the FDLRS Suncoast AC
FDLRS Suncoast AC, a discretionary project of the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS), is seeking a FIN facilitator. The FIN facilitator will work in a regional capacity to serve the following districts: Charlotte, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Lake Wales Charter, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk and Sarasota, with a primary focus on the FDLRS Suncoast AC districts of Charlotte, Manatee and Sarasota. To view the full job description and apply, go to the Sarasota County Schools Human Resources web page, then select “Search Jobs and Apply,” “Search Jobs,” “Certified,” and “District,” and search for posting #20232606. For questions, contact Meltrice Boglin, FDLRS Suncoast AC project manager, at Meltrice.Boglin@sarasotacountyschools.net. To learn more about FIN, go to the FIN website.

New BEESS Professional Development Alternatives (PDA) Portal Course Available
A new course titled, “Emotional/Behavioral Disability: An Introduction,” is now available in the BEESS PDA Portal. This course provides information regarding eligibility, factors that must be considered during the determination process, the impact of experiences on determination, specific individual factors that influence behavioral and emotional expression, and an understanding of the fear and shame related to emotions within emotional/behavioral disabilities. To access the course, go to BEESS Portal to Professional Development Alternatives website, then go to the course catalog under Independent Courses and select Behavior.

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Bureau Chief

For more information, contact
850-245-0475
Autism Navigator for Classroom Success in PreK through 2nd Grade

Calling all general education and special education teachers, district-level personnel, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, early interventionists, psychologists, behavior specialists, social workers, paraprofessionals, college students, and anyone else interested in learning about students with autism.

6-week webinar series begins

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

4:00 - 5:00 pm EST/ 3:00 - 4:00 pm CST

This webinar is a companion to the Classroom Success course, but anyone interested can attend. Participants will learn about evidence-based frameworks to prioritize goals using active engagement and a layer cake of teaching strategies promoting learning and positive behavior. To achieve the intensity needed and promote generalization for students with autism, the importance of teaching and learning across everyday classroom activities will be highlighted. Video examples and audience participation will be used to illustrate how to apply this model to both in-person and virtual classrooms, and to teach parents strategies to support their child’s learning in everyday activities at home.

Learn more and register here:
25 Years of Focused Leadership for Students with Disabilities

Florida CASE Summer Leadership Institute

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