



Weekly Memo

Action Items

Notices of Proposed Rule

These rule revisions are scheduled for the State Board of Education meeting on **April 19, 2023**. To view the following final proposed rules and submit comments, go to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) [State Board Rules Under Review web page](#):

- Rule [6A-4.002](#), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), General Provisions
- Rule [6A-10.0401](#), F.A.C., Gold Standard Career Pathways Articulation Agreements

Notice of Rule Development

To view the draft and submit comments for the following rule, go to the FDOE [State Board Rules Under Review web page](#):

- Rule [6A-1.09414](#), F.A.C., Course Requirements - Grades PK-12 Exceptional Student Education

Working with the Experts (WWE) for Occupational Therapy (OT) and Physical Therapy (PT) Online Course Access

WWE for OT and PT is pleased to announce that registration is now open for the Online Course Access. Based on continuing positive feedback about the course quality and selection with Summit Professional Education, we are offering enrollment again in the yearlong access to their library of online continuing education courses. The registration deadline is **April 1, 2023**. For more information, see the attached document. For questions, contact Dr. Tim Ferguson, director, at tferguson@fgcu.edu or Jennifer Duggar, FDOE state lead for speech language pathology, OT and PT, at Jennifer.Duggar@fldoe.org.

- Filename: Online Course Brochure 2023

Informational Items

Florida Ready to Work

More than 80 percent of Florida business leaders across industry sectors, surveyed by the Florida Chamber of Commerce, "emphasized the importance of employability skills. These skills, which include communication, critical thinking and problem solving, are universally valuable work

competencies that are essential to adapt to shifting demands within and between careers.” The State of Florida is listening to those employer concerns and invested in a no-cost career readiness solution called Florida Ready to Work. Florida Ready to Work is a research-based career readiness program created by Florida law. The program focuses on developing a work-ready talent pipeline with the essential employability skills required for individual, business, and whole-community economic well-being and growth. Implemented in partnership with education and workforce development partners, along with employers themselves, Florida Ready to Work is available at no cost for Florida students and job seekers. If you are interested in learning more, go to about Florida Ready to Work, visit [Florida Ready to Work](http://FloridaReadytoWork) website or contact Tiffany Vause, director of strategic initiatives, at tvause@floridareadytowork.com.

Approved Courses for School District Online Course Providers

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the [approved courses for school district online course providers](#).

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**Occupational Therapists
Physical Therapists**

Online/Self-study program offered through Summit Education 2023

WWE is pleased to announce a continuation of our partnership with Summit Professional Education. Access to Summit's full CE course library will be made available for one full year providing completion of the requirement listed below.

Therapists will have until **August 15, 2023** to complete and submit a certificate for a course in **one of the following topic areas:**

- 1). Behavior Strategies for the Classroom
- 2). Effective Documentation
- 3). Executive Functioning
- 4). Sensory Needs / Educationally Relevant Therapy
- 5). Legal Issues
- 6). Seating / Gait / Orthopedic Dysfunction

Following fulfillment of this obligation, all other courses in the library will be available to WWE registered participants through the remainder of the year through April 15, 2024.

Registration must be completed by April 1, 2023 and district limits are being enforced. Priority registration is given to individuals unable to participate last year. Course access information will be available by April 15th.

Coordinators should register additional therapists interested in this opportunity as "wait listed" status. Wait listed individuals will be notified within one week of registration closure if they are able to be added to the roster.

Certificate of Completion must be received by August 15, 2023



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Registration Details

Pre-registration will only be accepted from District OT/PT Coordinators and must be made using the on-line registration system at:

<http://www.flwwe.net>

Please see page 3 for directions on how to complete the online registration process. Therapists must log into their account and read and agree to the online course agreement to finalize registration.

CEUs

CEUs will be awarded directly upon successful course completion by the course provider (Summit) however, you are responsible to download your certificates and self report to CE Broker.

An **electronic copy of one certificate**, in PDF format, from **targeted topics listed on page 1** must be received by the WWE office to **fulfill your obligation** as outlined in the online course agreement.

Successful course completion will be reflected in your account on the WWE website but it is **your responsibility to keep a copy of the certificate for your records**.

PLEASE NOTE!

- It is very important that your WWE account has an **accurate email address** as this will be the email used by Summit to add you to their system.
- If you wish to use a personal email address please edit that in your WWE account.

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Working with the Experts (WWE) Web site – <http://www.flwwe.net> 10 Steps for a Successful Registration!

1. Click on <http://www.flwwe.net> to go to the main page of the WWE Web Site.
2. Click on the **OT/PT** puzzle piece.
3. When you click on OT/PT the section “**Current Events**” will automatically appear.
4. You will see all “**Current Events**” listed.
5. If you would like details about a particular event, click on “**Details**” on that event listing.
6. Click on “**Log In**” in menu on the left.
7. Enter your user name and password and click “**submit.**”

(*Note you can edit your profile and change your password if you choose.)
8. To register participants choose the event and go to details by clicking on the event title.
9. Click “**manage participants**” Register your therapists by entering their first and last name and email address, select pre-register or waiting list and then clicking “**add**”. You will see the roster of pre-registered participants below or can look at the waiting list for your district by selecting the waiting list tab. Once preregistered therapists can log into their account and complete registration. Individuals on the wait list will receive an email simply informing them that they are on the wait list.
10. Coordinators may delete registrations as needed by clicking “**remove**” on the roster.

If you need further assistance with website registration process, please contact Dr. Timothy Ferguson, Director, WWE OT/PT, via email at tferguson@fgcu.edu or Lynne Garcia, Program Assistant. WWE OT/PT, via email at lmgarcia@fgcu.edu