



Weekly Memo

Action Items

Positions Available at the Florida Center for Interactive Media (FCIM)

FCIM is seeking applicants through Florida State University Careers for a training specialist (job number 52617). The responsibilities of this position include the following:

- Research, analyze and recommend guidance, policies and procedures (including federal and state requirements, curriculum and instruction) as related to students with disabilities;
- Provide technical assistance and professional development to school districts and families in the implementation of services for students with disabilities;
- Produce and/or review technical assistance materials that support the development and implementation of quality services for students with disabilities; and
- Maintain current knowledge on appropriate practices related to students with disabilities.

The deadline to apply is **September 26, 2022**. To review the full job description and apply, go to <https://jobs.fcim.org/FDOE> and search on the job number.

Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) Administration Independent Course

The FIN Administration project is pleased to announce the availability of a new 15-hour independent course, "Collaborative Teaching Partnerships." This course will satisfy the requirements of section 1003.03, Florida Statutes, specific to the subsection requiring training in team-teaching methods within one year after assignment. Participants are expected to complete segments of required reading included in each course unit, in addition to knowledge checks, Collaborative Teaching Workbook assignments (in conjunction with a collaborative teaching partner), and reflection segments included in each unit. Participants will be provided with essential elements for establishing an effective collaborative teaching partnership in order to provide specially designed instruction and in-class support for students with disabilities. Enrollment will begin on **September 26, 2022**. To access the course, go to the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS) Portal to Professional Development Alternatives website at <https://fl-pda.org/#/home>.

The United States Department of Education (USED), Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) for Project UNIQUE (Upgrading Novice, Inclusive, Qualified Urban Educators)

Participation Opportunity

The Florida International University was recently awarded \$1.25 million from the USED OSEP for Project UNIQUE (Upgrading Novice, Inclusive, Qualified Urban Educators). This project will provide full tuition support to teachers to receive a 36-credit master's degree in special education. UNIQUE is designed to prepare both general and special educators to work with students with

disabilities in urban settings by providing high-level practices, including evidence-based practices and tiered supports, within the context of a culturally responsive curriculum. Particular emphasis will be given to supporting novice and out-of-field teachers who work with students with disabilities. Two cohorts of 20 teachers each will be supported. Recruitment is currently underway for Cohort 1, which will begin in January 2023. All classes will be held virtually with a funded in-person summer meeting. Supports are available to assist uncertified teachers in obtaining ESE certification. A virtual recruitment session will be held on **September 27, 2022**, at 4:15 p.m. ET. For an application and more information, contact unique@fiu.edu.

Mental Health Assistance Allocation (MHAA) Plan Outcome and Expenditures Report

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has issued a memorandum regarding the MHAA Plan Outcome and Expenditures Report. This report must be submitted by **September 30, 2022**, per the instructions in the memo. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9662/dps-2022-128.pdf>.

2023 Principal Achievement Award for Outstanding Leadership and the 2023 Outstanding Assistant Principal Achievement Award Nominations

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the 2023 Principal Achievement Award for Outstanding Leadership and the 2023 Outstanding Assistant Principal Achievement Award nominations. Nomination materials must be received by **December 9, 2022**, per the instructions in the memo. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9655/dps-2022-120.pdf> (Memo), <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9656/dps-2022-120a.pdf> (Attachment A) and <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9657/dps-2022-120b.pdf> (Attachment B).

2023 Florida School-Related Employee of the Year Nominations

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the 2023 Florida School-Related Employee of the Year nominations. Nomination materials must be received by **December 9, 2022**, per the instructions in the memo. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9658/dps-2022-121.pdf> (Memo) and <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9659/dps-2022-121a.pdf> (Attachment A).

2024 Florida Teacher of the Year Nominations

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the 2024 Florida Teacher of the Year nominations. District nomination packets must be received by **February 13, 2023**, per the instructions in the memo. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9651/dps-2022-119.pdf> (Memo), <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9652/dps-2022-119a.pdf> (Attachment A), <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9653/dps-2022-119b.pdf> (Attachment B) and <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9654/dps-2022-119c.pdf> (Attachment C).

Informational Items

Position Available in Student Support Services, BEESS

Student Support Services is seeking a secondary school counseling consultant for its office at FDOE in Tallahassee. The secondary school counseling consultant is responsible for collaborating, communicating, disseminating information and providing leadership to school

districts, other discretionary projects and the FDOE regarding effective school counseling practices and programs. The position is funded through the Student Support Services Project, a federal grant allocation funded through the University of South Florida. To view the complete job description and apply, go to http://sss.usf.edu/contact/positions_current/30957.html. For questions, contact Andrew Weatherill at Andrew.Weatherill@fldoe.org or 850-245-7851.

Position Available for a Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) Facilitator at the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) South Associate Center

FIN is a discretionary project funded by the FDOE, Division of Public Schools, BEESS, through federal assistance under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B. The FIN facilitator will work in a regional capacity to serve the following school districts in Region 5: Broward, Collier, FAU Lab School, Lee, Palm Beach, and South Tech with a primary focus in the FDLRS South service area of KIPP: Miami, Miami-Dade, Mater Academy Charter and Monroe. If you are interested in applying for this position, please contact Danita Duhart, executive director, ESE for FDLRS South Associate Center, at dduhart@dadeschools.net. To learn more about FIN, go to the website at <https://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/>.

New State Board of Education Rule Regarding Field Trips, Extracurricular Activities, and Other Supplemental Programs and Activities

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding a new rule regarding field trips, extracurricular activities, and other supplemental programs and activities. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9664/dps-2022-152.pdf>.

Call for State Expert Reviewers for 2022-2023 Social Studies Instructional Materials Adoption

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding a call for state expert reviewers for the 2022-2023 social studies instructional materials adoption. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9663/dps-2022-156.pdf>.

House Bill 1557 – Call for School Counseling Competencies and Standards Workgroup Members

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding House Bill 1557 – Call for school counseling competencies and standards workgroup members. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9660/dps-2022-139.pdf>.

Senate Bill 1028 (2021) Water Safety, Ch. 2021-35, 89, Laws of Florida

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding Senate Bill 1028 (2021) Water Safety, Ch. 2021-35, 89, Laws of Florida. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9661/dps-2022-147.pdf>.

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