



Weekly Memo

Action Items

Notices of Proposed Rule

The following rule revisions are scheduled for the State Board of Education meetings as follows:

- **October 19, 2022**
 - Rule [6A-1.0018](#), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), School Safety Requirements and Monitoring
 - Rule [6A-1.0955](#), F.A.C., Education Records
- **October 20, 2022**
 - Rule [6A-1.094120](#), F.A.C., Youth Mental Health Awareness Training and Reporting (new rule)

2022-2023 United States Senate Youth (USSYP) Program

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has issued a memorandum regarding the 2022-2023 USSYP. Applications must be submitted by **October 14, 2022**, per the instructions in the memo. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9680/dps-2022-160.pdf> (Memo), <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9681/dps-2022-160a.pdf> (Attachment A) and <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9682/dps-2022-160b.pdf> (Attachment B).

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) 2022 Annual Conference

We know these past couple of years have challenged us all as special educators. These challenges have brought us together to think about special education in new and innovative ways that have led to new methods for teaching, learning, recruitment, and more. We invite you to share your experiences during FCEC's 74th Annual Conference in Daytona Beach on **October 20-22, 2022**, in an effort to help reimagine and reinvigorate special education in changing times. This year's theme, "Riding the Waves of Change: Reimagining Special Education in Changing Times," will be an opportunity for educators, professionals, researchers and leaders in school districts, universities, various organizations and the Florida Student CEC, to celebrate our mutual commitment to children and youth with disabilities. We encourage you to submit your proposal to present at the conference. For more information about the conference and presentations, go to <https://florida.exceptionalchildren.org>.

Statewide Meeting for Autism Spectrum Disorder District Contacts

The FDOE, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEES), will be hosting a statewide meeting for autism spectrum disorder (ASD) district contacts on **January 12, 2023**, from 2 to 5 p.m. EST, in conjunction with the 2023 Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) Conference, which will be in Orlando on **January 13-15, 2023**. Travel funding for the designated district ASD contact (one per district) will be available from BEES through the Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (PEPSA) by reimbursement. Reimbursement, registration and accommodation information will be provided to you by PEPSA. Please note that reimbursement will be paid directly to the participant and not to the district. If you choose to attend the PEPSA-Educator Day on **January 13, 2023**, and/or the CARD Conference on **January 14-15, 2023**, it is mandatory for you to attend the statewide meeting for reimbursement. If you are unable to attend, your district is encouraged to send another representative, possibly a school administrator who has students with ASD on campus. Please note, only one person from each district is eligible for reimbursement. If you plan to attend, contact Bryonka Clark at bphilon@usf.edu. All travel through PEPSA at the University of South Florida (USF) must have pre-approval. After you have submitted the USF PEPSA Travel Approval Request survey, you will be contacted by PEPSA once your approval has been processed. To access the survey, go to <https://form.jotform.com/222636714913154>. For more information about the 2023 CARD Conference, go to <http://cardconference.info/>. For more information about PEPSA, go to <http://doepartnership.fmhi.usf.edu/>.

Informational Items

Resources from Learning Ally

Learning Ally is pleased to share the following resources to help get more students reading this school year:

- To view and share the video about how to utilize the features of the Learning Ally Audiobook App for Students, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1BDrvZE3r8>.
- To assign FL Instructional Materials to your students, go to <https://learningally.org/Search/target/abook/type/curriculum?q=%22Florida+Instructional+Materials%22&searchresulttitle=Curriculum>. Note that the following three new titles have been added (copyright 2019):
 - Pearson Florida Elevate Science Grade 3 at <https://portal.learningally.org/Book-Details/BookID/NF519>,
 - Pearson Florida Elevate Science Grade 4 at <https://portal.learningally.org/Book-Details/BookID/NF008> and
 - Pearson Florida Elevate Science Grade 5 at <https://portal.learningally.org/Book-Details/BookID/NF007>.
- To utilize reading programs to engage your struggling readers, go to <https://learningally.org/Solutions-for-School/Reading-Programs>.
- To provide families with resources or host a family night to introduce Learning Ally Audiobooks, go to https://www.learningally.org/Portals/6/Docs/TeacherResources/Host_A_Parent_Night.pdf.
- To view the Florida Rapid Launch Session for Learning Ally video, go to <https://share.vidyard.com/watch/2s5HS42janTEa2yRG8n8un?>

Please know that your Florida team is here to assist you in the launch of Learning Ally this school year. For questions, contact Learning Ally at <https://learningally.org/Solutions-for-School/school-grants/Florida>.

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