



## Weekly Memo

### Action Items

#### Notice of Proposed Rule

This rule revision is scheduled for the State Board of Education meeting on **October 20, 2021**. To view the following final proposed rule and submit comments, go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules/>:

- Rule [6A-6.0571](#), Florida Administrative Code, Career and Technical Education and Adult General Education Standards and Industry-Driven Benchmarks

#### Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (FSDB) Virtual Expanded Core Curriculum (ECC) Interactive Learning Series

FSDB is excited to continue our Virtual ECC Interactive Learning Series for children ages 3 through 14 who are deaf, deaf or hard of hearing (DHH) or blind or who have visual impairments (BVI). Students who have an active individual educational plan with DHH or BVI as their primary exceptionality are eligible to register for these exciting sessions. (Note that this learning series is currently not offered to FSDB students.) The virtual ECC sessions will be on **November 6, 2021**, and are available at no cost. All registered children will receive materials delivered to their homes for participation via live conferencing and engaging online classroom activities. Each lesson is led by certified teachers with experience working with students who are DHH or BVI. The deadline to register is **October 15, 2021**. For more detailed information and to register, go to <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eih98aw24666cfd&llr=qd87qgabb>.

#### The Florida Educators of Students who are Deaf/Hard of Hearing (FEDHH) Annual Conference

The FEDHH will be holding its annual conference in Orlando on **November 12-13, 2021**. The conference, "Celebrate. Ignite. Transform." will bring professionals together for information, resources, and strategies related to the instruction of students who are DHH. The Bureau of Exceptional Student Education is pleased to offer one paid registration per school district. To obtain your school district code for redemption, contact your D/HH program contact. For more information and to register, go to <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nozl6lfab&oeidk=a07eig8kzrjaf63b61b>. For more information about FEDHH, go to <https://www.fedhh.org/>.

### **Celebrating Deaf Awareness Month and National Week of the Deaf**

Clarke Schools for Hearing and Speech (Clarke Florida) teach children who are deaf or hard of hearing to listen and talk by building the listening, learning and spoken language skills needed to help infants, children and teens, and their families, succeed. Clarke Florida has many student success stories and would like to shine a spotlight on one particular student, Garrett, who found his passion and overcame his struggles and now helps other students.

Garrett has a bilateral hearing loss, and when he was 18 months old, he began his journey at Clarke Florida in Jacksonville. Today, he excels at his neighborhood high school in St. John's County and takes honors classes. Garrett has a passion for music and has been playing the piano for five years. He is an advocate for his peers who are deaf and hard of hearing. Garrett has shared his listening and spoken language journey at the Florida Senate, as well as with families of young children who are newly diagnosed. To listen along as Garrett shares his love for music and demonstrates that children who are deaf or hard of hearing have infinite possibilities, go to <https://vimeo.com/487413926>. To read more Clarke Florida success stories, go to <https://www.clarkeschools.org/community/our-stories/>. For more information about Clarke, go to <https://www.clarkeschools.org/>.

### **Disability History & Awareness Weeks 2021**

The Florida Department of Education has issued the following memorandum regarding Disability History & Awareness Weeks 2021. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9306/dps-2021-152.pdf>.

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