What is College and Career Readiness?

Students who are ready for college and career can qualify for and succeed in entry-level, credit-bearing college courses leading to a baccalaureate degree, a certificate, or a career pathway-oriented training program without the need for remedial or developmental coursework.

**Florida Standards and Academic Expectations**

Standards represent the goals for what students should learn. They are different from curriculum, which means what teachers teach, and how. Federal policies encourage states to adopt high standards, but do not touch on curriculum, which is a state and local matter. Our state standards are constructed to hold students to a higher academic expectation, preparing them for post-secondary education and/or the workforce.

**Title I, Part A Funding**

Title I provides supplemental funding to help low-income schools support their economically disadvantaged students. CCR funding should be used to increase students access to early college, high school dual or concurrent enrollment opportunities, or career counseling to identify student's interests and skills. CCR activities should ensure programs are aligned to high skill, high need, and high wage occupations. Another part of CCR initiatives is reducing the overuse of discipline practices that remove students from the classroom. This may include identifying and supporting schools with high rates of discipline, disaggregated by each of the subgroups of students, as identified in section 1112(c)(2). The aim is to support work-based learning opportunities that provide students in-depth interaction with industry professionals.

Title I schools expend their Title I, Part A funds for CCR initiatives according to their designation as a School Wide Program or Targeted Assistance Program. Schoolwide programs place more of a focus on educational initiatives that serve all students of a Title I school, while Targeted Assistance Programs serve targeted Title I eligible students within the school.

**Resources:**
- [20-21 Florida Department of Education Request for Application](#)
- [Text of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965](#)
- [United States Dep. Of Education – College and Career Ready Standards](#)

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