

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
November 13, 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rules 6A-4.004, Florida Educator’s Certificates with Academic, Administrative, Degreed Career and Technical, and Specialty Class Coverage, and 6A-4.0181, Specialization Requirements for Certification in School Counseling (Grades PK-12) - Specialty Class

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1001.02, 1012.55, 1012.56, Florida Statutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this rule amendment is to address changes made by the 2025 Florida Legislature in House Bill 809 (Ch. 2025-62, Laws of Florida) effective July 1, 2025, for the certification of school social workers. It will address the restructuring of certain restricted certificates and provide professional certificates for personnel providing student support services. Changes to fingerprint submission to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and Federal Bureau of Investigation will include agency review. The amendment will also address changes in House Bill 875 (Ch. 2025-107, Laws of Florida) regarding another education pathway for eligible educators to become school counselors.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rules 6A-4.004, 6A-4.0181, F.A.C.

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