

FELE 4.0 Transition Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why is there a new version of FELE?

A: On January 17, 2024, the SBE approved an amendment to the Rule 6A-4.00821, F.A.C., Florida Educational Leadership Examination. Beginning March 1, 2024, the competencies to be demonstrated by means of a written examination are reflected in the publication, “*Competencies and Skills Required for Certification in Education Leadership in Florida, Fifth Edition 2024*” (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-16359>).

Q: When will the new FELE 4.0 begin?

The FELE 4.0 will begin administration January 1, 2026. The deadline for examinees to pass all three subtests of the current FELE is December 31, 2025. Subsequently, all examinees who do not pass all three subtests of the current FELE by this date will be required to take and pass FELE 4.0 in its entirety.

Q: What is the Test Administration format of the new FELE 4.0?

A: The new examination will follow a different format than the current FELE and will now consist of four subtests (two multiple choice and two written performance assessments). Test development activities for FELE 4.0 have focused on alignment with the Florida Educational Leadership Standards and developing written performance assessments that reflect real-world applications required of a school building administrator. Examinees taking 3 or more subtests in one testing appointment will receive a 15-minute break after completing the second subtest of their testing appointment.

- Subtest #1: Foundational Policies & Practices of School Leadership
 - 4 competencies with approximately 50 multiple-choice (MC) questions
 - Testing time: 90 minutes
- Subtest #2: Leadership Practices for Student Learning
 - 5 competencies with approximately 50 MC questions
 - Testing time: 90 minutes
- Subtest #3: Leadership Development
 - 1 competency
 - Performance Task: Action Plan
 - Testing time: 75 minutes
- Subtest #4: Leadership Communication
 - 1 competency
 - Performance Task: Correspondence
 - Testing time: 60 minutes

Q: How will FELE 4.0 be scored?

FELE 4.0 subtest will be administered, scored, and reported independently. Examinees may register to take any one subtest, two subtests or any combination in any order. If an examinee fails any FELE subtests, they can register to retake only the non-passed subtest(s).

- Subtests 1 and 2 will be scaled to 200 to match the current generation.
- Subtests 3 and 4 performance tasks will be scored on a **new 4-point rubric** with a total passing score that is still to be determined.
- Examinees **must pass all 4 subtests** independently to pass FELE 4.0.

Q: How much does the exam cost?

A: The full battery of FELE 4.0 exams is \$215. Each subtest is priced individually at \$53.75.

Q: What if I have already passed one or more sections of the current FELE exam?

A: The current version of FELE will no longer be administered after December 31, 2025. Subsequently, all examinees who do not pass all three subtests of the current FELE by this date will be required to take and pass FELE 4.0 in its entirety beginning January 1, 2026.

Q: What resources are available to study for FELE 4.0?

A: As it relates to the FTCE, the role of the Florida Department of Education is to ensure the validity and reliability of the exams consistent with the standards and best practices in the field of assessment, not to prepare examinees to pass the exams. However, the Department of Education produces test information guides (TIGs) that provide a general overview of each examination. The TIG for the FELE 4.0 will be available in August 2025.

FELE 4.0 Links

- [FELE FDOE Webpage](#)
- [FELE Competencies & Skills](#)