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- **FROM:** Kevin O'Farrell, Ph.D., Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges
- **DATE:** February 25, 2025

SUBJECT:Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-10.040, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.)Basic Skills Requirements for Postsecondary Career Certificate Education.

On November 20, 2024, the State Board of Education approved revisions to Rule 6A-10.040, F.A.C., Basic Skills Requirements for Postsecondary Career Certificate Education. This amendment is in accordance with Section 1004.91, Florida Statutes, (F.S.) which requires students enrolled in a career certificate program offered for career education credit of 450 hours or more must complete an entry-level basic skills examination within the first six (6) weeks after admission into the program. The rule amendment includes the following changes:

- 1. Clarifying language that adopts an updated CTE Basic Skills Licensure Exemption List.
- 2. The inclusion of scale scores and grade level equivalents for the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE).
- 3. The inclusion of scale scores and grade level equivalents for CASAS Goals 900 Series, 2019 for Reading.
- 4. The addition of the CASAS Math Goals 2 assessment with the scale scores and grade level equivalents.
- 5. The implementation of two new exemptions. Language added to statute due to HB 917 (2024), amending (s.) 1004.91(3)(a)(2), F.S..

A copy of the rule can be found at the following link: <u>6A-10.040</u> : <u>Basic Skills Requirements for</u> <u>Postsecondary Career Certificate Education</u>.

For additional questions concerning Rule 6A-10.040, F.A.C., please contact Christine Walsh, Program and Policy Coordinator, Division of Career and Adult Education, at <u>Christine.Walsh@fldoe.org</u>.

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