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Rule Activity

Notice of Proposed Rule

The following rule revisions are scheduled for the State Board of Education meeting on **July 22, 2026**:

- Rule [6A-1.09441](#), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), Requirements for Programs and Courses that are Funded Through the Florida Education Finance Program and for Which the Student May Earn Credit Toward High School Graduation

To view the above-mentioned final proposed rule and submit comments, go to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) [State Board Rules Under Review](#).

Events Coming Soon

Part B Prekindergarten Exceptional Student Education (Pre-K ESE) Regional Data Sessions

Pre-K ESE Technical Assistance and Training System (PESE), an IDEA-funded state project, is excited to host Regional Data Sessions to provide technical assistance pertaining to Indicator 6, Preschool Environments, and Indicator 12, Early Steps Part C to Part B Pre-K programs. Sessions will focus on the reporting of data for Indicator 6 and the verification activity and use of verification codes for Indicator 12. The intended audience for these sessions is the Part B Pre-K contact and data managers responsible for Indicator 6 and Indicator 12 reporting. The dates, locations and times for the offered sessions are as follows:

- **September 2, 2026**—Walton County: Walton County School District, 555 Walton Road, DeFuniak Springs (WISE Center), FL 32433, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT
- **September 3, 2026**—Leon County: 283 Trojan Trail, Tallahassee, FL 32311, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET
- **September 4, 2026**—Putnam County: NEFEC, 3841 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET
- **September 8, 2026**—Hillsborough County: Hillsborough County Public Schools Instructional Service Center, 2920 N 40th Street, Tampa, FL 33605, time to be determined.
- **September 21, 2026**—Lee County: Lee County School District 2855 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers, FL 33966, Intervention Room, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET

- **September 23, 2026**—Broward County: Early Learning Coalition of Broward County, 1475 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 301, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET

To register, go to the [2026 Fall Regional Data Meetings Registration](#) web page. For questions, contact your [PESE Regional Facilitator](#).

Action Items

Process for Appealing School Grades, School Improvement Ratings and the Federal Percent of Points Indices for 2026

The FDOE issued a memorandum regarding the [process for appealing school grades, school improvement ratings and the federal percent of points indices for 2026](#); and attachment A, [2026 Appeals for School Grades, School Improvement Ratings and the Federal Percent of Points Indices Data Submission Instructions](#). District superintendents shall submit a written request for review, including all supporting documentation, on or before **July 31, 2026**, per the instructions in the memo.

House Bill (HB) 851, Professional Learning for Instructional and School Administrative Personnel

The FDOE issued a memorandum regarding a [HB 851, Professional Learning for Instructional and School Administrative Personnel](#). See the memo for more information.

Required Display of Portraits of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln

The FDOE issued a memorandum regarding the [required display of portraits of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln](#). See the memo for more information.

Informational Items

Resiliency Florida Characteristic of the Month—Responsibility

Starting in the 2019-20 school year, every Florida public school was required to annually provide children in grades 6-12 at least five hours of mental health instruction. This mental health instruction is now referred to as Resiliency Education, Civic and Character Education and Life Skills Education. The Resiliency Florida initiative for Florida schools was launched in February 2021 to emphasize 11 Resiliency characteristics to empower students to persevere and overcome life's inevitable challenges. Visit the [Resiliency Florida](#) website for more information and additional resources.

July's featured characteristic is Responsibility, which means gathering information to think through and determine the best solution. Visit the following web pages for grade-specific parent and teacher resources pertaining to Responsibility:

- [K-2 Parent Resource](#)
- [3-5 Parent Resource](#)
- [6-8 Parent Resource](#)

- [9-12 Parent Resource](#)
- [K-2 Teacher Guide](#)
- [3-5 Teacher Guide](#)
- [6-8 Teacher Guide](#)
- [9-12 Teacher Guide](#)

Florida's Autism Micro-Credential

Registration opens today, **July 1, 2026**, for Florida's Autism Micro-Credential. Developed by the University of Florida Statewide Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment in partnership with Florida's Centers for Autism and Related Disabilities, this competency-based professional learning opportunity was created in response to Senate Bill 112 and is designed for professionals who support children and youth with autism across early learning and K-12 settings. The program launches on **August 10, 2026**, and focuses on evidence-based practices and practical applications to support individuals with autism. Learn more and register for this no-cost course at [778201 Autism Micro-Credential | University of Florida](#).

Tip of the Week

Monitor In-School Suspension (ISS) Classrooms

Periodically stop by classrooms where students with disabilities are serving ISS. Make sure these students are receiving individual educational plan services and are participating in the curriculum with typical peers so the ISS does not turn into a disciplinary removal that may trigger a manifestation determination review. ([Special Ed Connection®](#))

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