




# Florida School Boards Association

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## CBM Points & Member Profile



All CBM points have been entered, including the Annual Summer Conference and other submitted forms. To view your points, log into your [member profile](#) and click on the CEU tab. If you have not completed the CBM form(s) click [HERE](#) to do so on the FSBA Forms & Publications page.

Questions? Contact Member Services Associate Carolyn Sanders: 850.414.2578 or [sanders@fsba.org](mailto:sanders@fsba.org).

## Member Feedback Requested **by 8/4**

[The Florida Council of 100](#) will be starting the Grades 4-8 phase of their *Horizon 2040 Project* (read more [HERE](#)), and has requested that FSBA members make recommendations for innovative schools that the committee may want to visit.

Schools may be elementary (with innovative grades 4 and 5 programs), or middle schools. Please submit your recommendations directly to [BillieAnne Gay](#) by Friday 8/4.

## State & Federal Government Relations



### Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

FSBA's statewide ESSA Task Force met for round two last week to submit feedback to the Florida Department of Education as they solidify the state implementation plan. The feedback was submitted and will be available soon on the [FSBA Federal Government Relations](#) page.

### SHORT SURVEY - Help Us Provide the Advocacy Tools You Need

FSBA staff strives daily to improve and build our resources and services to best support members to advocate for Florida's students. Please take a moment to complete our quick survey to help us shape our advocacy efforts moving forward. Access the survey [HERE](#).

### 2018 Legislative Platform - Proposals due 9/8

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSALS for legislative changes that would impact public education statewide. This is the first step to developing the FSBA Legislative Platform, which is the cornerstone of FSBA's legislative advocacy efforts. Read the memo for submission guidelines [HERE](#). Visit the platform page for more information [HERE](#).

The 2018 Legislative Session begins in January. As always, our staff will be working to keep you informed of important dates. You can view the Senate Interim Meeting Schedule [HERE](#).

ICYMI: [Richard Corcoran announces 2018 leadership in House](#)

## Results Are In!

Don't miss election results and voter information as Florida moves through several special elections. Visit the [Florida Division of Elections](#) for results, resources, and more.

## Special Election Information

### VOTER INFORMATION LOOKUP



Check your voter status, find your polling place, and get information on a vote-by-mail ballot request using the [Voter Information Lookup](#).

### JULY 25, 2017 - SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

Senate District 40 and House District 116

For additional information, visit the [Special Elections Page](#) or contact the [Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections Office](#).

### SPECIAL ELECTION RESULTS



Obtain Election Results by Visiting [Florida Election Watch](#).

Results will be released starting at 7:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

### JOIN A COMMITTEE TODAY



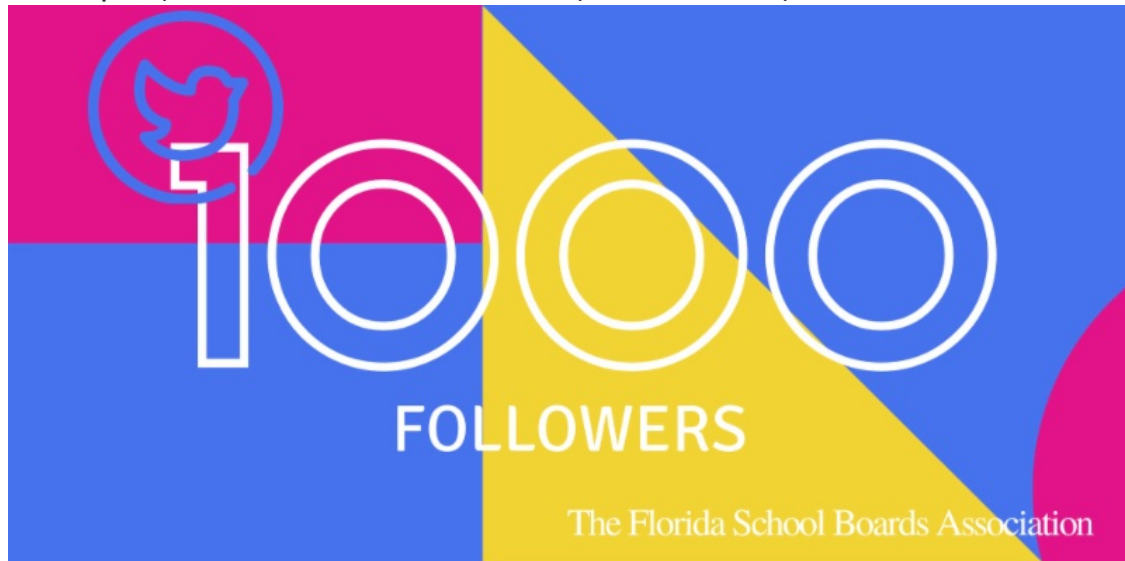
LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD.

## There's Still Time to Join a Committee!

Click [HERE](#) for more information about FSBA Committees. Ready to join? Access the Committee Request form [HERE](#).

## FSBA has reached 1000+ followers on Twitter!

Be sure to [join the conversation](#) if you haven't already for live tweets from the Capitol, association announcements, district news, and more.



## Start \$aving on Travel - FREE Member Benefit

Members and district employees are saving on summer travel. Why not you? Contact [BillieAnne Gay](#) today for information on how you can offer this FREE member benefit to your employees.



# FSBA Travel Benefit Program

Your Employees Could Be Saving -- For FREE

## Districts are Saving - Why Not You?

**33%** average Snazzy Savings when users book car rentals through the Florida School Boards Association Travel Benefit.



**24%** average Snazzy Savings when users book hotels through the Florida School Boards Association travel benefit.



## Just in Time for Summer Vacation



Snazzy Traveler offers travel Savings on hotel, car rentals, vacation packages, and activities along the way.

Your teachers and staff will thank you for this timely cost-saving benefit for their personal travel. This \$99 benefit is available to your district for FREE.

Try it out yourself and spread the word:

[www.SnazzyTraveler.com/FSBA](http://www.SnazzyTraveler.com/FSBA)  
Promo Code: **FSBATravel**

## Start Saving Today

For details on how to roll out this travel benefit to your district employees, contact BillieAnne Gay, FSBA Communications Manager at 850.528.9104



## FSBA Partner EdCredible Now Offers Instructional Materials Assistance



Just in time for the Science instructional materials adoption, EdCredible has announced the

availability of its new tool: EdValueate. Several districts have already taken advantage of this opportunity to streamline the adoption process. Learn more [HERE](#).

EdValuate automates the entire paper and pencil adoption process, which saves hundreds of hours, thousands of dollars, and virtually eliminates all of the inherent protest risk associated with paper and pencil evaluations. This tool will also provide the ability to meet some of the stakeholder engagement requirements of HB989 (Instructional Materials) that passed during the 2017 Legislative Session. Contact Kurt Fichtman today to request your free demo: [kfichtman@edcredible.com](mailto:kfichtman@edcredible.com) or 704-998-1596.

## NSBA School Rx Cooperative

Want to know more about the NSBA School Rx Cooperative? Visit our [partner page](#) and read the article below.



**Pharmacy is the fastest growing benefit cost and will continue to grow at an unsustainable rate**

*by Heather Dean, Chief Operating Officer, National School Boards Association*

Pharmacy benefits are unregulated at either the Federal or State level, as such the profit incentives of the various players in the industry run counter to the desires of employers to provide good benefits at minimum costs. What can school districts do to work towards a more reasonable and controlled benefit platform? *Here are a few things to consider:*

Self-funding on a carve out basis gives the school the power, data, and flexibility to use the most effective strategies minimizing or reducing costs. What does that mean? Let's start with self-funding. This is when an organization agrees to be directly responsible for their employee benefits costs instead

Click [HERE](#) to read the full article

## FSBA Annual Sponsor Program - **Coming Soon**

A graphic for the FSBA Annual Sponsor Program. It features a background image of a hand holding a pen. Overlaid on the image is the text 'WAYS TO CONNECT' in white, uppercase letters, with a large yellow number '5' integrated into the word 'TO'. In the top left corner, there is a blue diagonal banner with the text 'official launch' in white, lowercase letters, and 'SEPTEMBER 2017' in white, uppercase letters. At the bottom, there is a blue rectangular box with white text: 'Exploring the Florida School Boards Association's annual sponsorship program. Your opportunity to build relationships and deep roots with Florida's education leaders.'

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