

October 13, 2025

Notice of Proposed Rule

Department: Department of Education Division: Division of Early Learning

Rule No.: 6M-4.200

Purpose: The rule is being to update School Readiness Program eligibility requirements to comply with statutory changes

made in House Bill 1255 and Senate Bill 1102.

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View_Notice.asp?id=30063227

Notice of Proposed Rule

Department: Department of Education Division: Division of Early Learning

Rule No.: 6M-8.210

Purpose: : To revise eligibility criteria to reenroll in a Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program in accordance with House Bill 1255, which removes the 70% completion threshold as criteria for reenrollment, removes redundant language throughout the rule, and removes unnecessary barriers preventing children from reenrolling in a VPK program and completing all instructional hours. These changes allow a student to withdraw and reenroll regardless of how much of the program the student completed. Additionally, VPK providers will have the opportunity to serve more children and provide more instructional time to children who reenroll into their program and reduces regulatory burden on early learning coalitions, allowing them to process VPK reenrollment requests more efficiently.

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30063324

Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing Department: Department of Education Division: Division of Blind Services

Subject: Tallahassee Day Subcommittee Meeting

Date/Time: October 16, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

Location: 1(305)224-1968, Meeting ID: 957 4841 0312, Passcode: 813743

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30021226

Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing Department: Department of Education Division: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Subject: General Business / DEAM Celebration Date/Time: October 21, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

Location: 202 N Tamiami Trail Sarasota, FL 34236 https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

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https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30075158



Notice of Variances and Waivers Department: Department of Education Division: State Board of Education

Rule No.: 6A-6.03315

Purpose:

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30079814

Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing Department: Department of Education Division: Division of Blind Services

Subject: Quarterly Meeting of the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind Date/Time: October 23 - 24, 2025, 8:30 a.m. until completion of business

Location: 4350 PGA Boulevard, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=29948670

Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing Department: Department of Education Division: Division of Blind Services

Subject: Public Forum Meeting of the Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind

Date/Time: October 23, 2025, 5:00 p.m. until completion of business Location: 4350 PGA Boulevard, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=29948961

Notice of Development of Rulemaking Department: Department of Education Division: State Board of Education

Rule No.: 6A-3.0171

Purpose: This amendment will update the 2020 edition of the Florida School Bus Safety Inspection Manual for 2025; will add a vehicle chart to the existing rule to identify which vehicles are allowed for student transportation; and will update the frequency of school bus inspections to align with industry standards. School bus inspections will be conducted on a quarterly basis with the maximum interval not to exceed 101 calendar days. New technologies for electric school buses necessitate related changes to inspection criteria and procedures, requiring periodic revisions of this publication to ensure school buses remain safe for student transportation. This amendment also establishes the requirement for signage on the exterior of alternate vehicles identifying the vehicle as authorized for student transportation.

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View_Notice.asp?id=30091260

Notice of Development of Rulemaking Department: Department of Education Division: State Board of Education

Rule No.: 6A-3.0141

Purpose: To amend the rule to allow class E driver's license holders to operate small school buses and multifunction school activity buses that have a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) under 26,001 pounds and a seating capacity of 15 persons or fewer, including the driver to expand transportation options for school districts.

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30091357



Notice of Development of Rulemaking Department: Department of Education Division: State Board of Education

Rule No.: 6A-3.003

Purpose: This amendment will update references to the Florida School Bus Specifications, Revised 2023, incorporated by reference in this rule, to the current edition, effective January 2026 and to the National School Transportation Specifications and Procedures, May 2015, to the May 2025 edition. Periodic updates to these publications are necessary to ensure school

bus specifications reflect the latest technologies associated with school buses. https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View_Notice.asp?id=30091551

Notice of Proposed Rule

Department: Department of Education Division: State Board of Education

Rule No.: 6A-5.067

Purpose: To modify the requirements to mentor an apprentice teacher. Specifically, the rule will update the mentor

requirements to align across all teacher preparation programs in accordance with House Bill 875 (2025).

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30068271

Notice of Proposed Rule

Department: Department of Education Division: State Board of Education

Rule No.: 6A-1.0014

Purpose: To revise existing requirements of the statewide comprehensive management system to implement changes required by school districts and to change state reporting and local recordkeeping procedures for state and/or federal programs as described in the updated FDOE Information Database Requirements. The rule also adopts the updated FDOE Information Database Requirements: Volume I - Automated Student Information System, 2025-2026 and Volume II - Automated Staff Information System, 2025-2026. The effect maintains compatibility among state and local information systems' components. The statewide comprehensive management information system provides data on which the measurement of school improvement and accountability is based.

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30085731

Notice of Bid/Request for Proposal Department: Department of Education

Division: Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind

Notice Title: PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR RFP-26-039-USINA RUNNING TRACK PROJECT

https://www.flrules.org/gateway/View Notice.asp?id=30095819

Notice of Meeting/Workshop Hearing Department: Department of Education Division: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Subject: General Business

Date/Time: October 21, 2025, 9:00 a.m



Location: Embassy Suites by Hilton Sarasota 202 N Tamiami Trail Sarasota, Florida 34236

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