## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION Consent Item

May 24, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-1.09414, Course Requirements – Grades PK-12 Exceptional Student Education

## **PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

## **AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Sections 1001.02, 1001.03(1) and 1011.62(1)(t), F.S.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This rule contains Access course descriptions for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. Access courses are designed to provide students access to grade-level general curriculum. Access Points are alternate academic achievement standards included in Access courses that target the salient content of Florida's standards. Access points are intentionally designed to academically challenge students with the most significant cognitive disabilities.

In March 2023, additional student performance standards for Mathematics Access Points-Alternate Academic Achievement Standards (AP-AAAS) Grades K-12 were adopted. In this course rule, these additional student performance standards will be added to the Access Mathematics for Data and Financial Literacy and Access Mathematics for Liberal Arts course descriptions. Course descriptions for other courses are revised. All Language Arts Florida Standards (LAFS) and Mathematics Florida Standards (MAFS) are replaced with Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) English Language Arts Expectations (EE) and B.E.S.T. Mathematical Thinking and Reasoning Standards (MTR).

**Supporting Documentation Included:** Proposed Rule 6A-1.09414, F.A.C. 2023-2024 Florida Course Descriptions for Grades PK-12, Exceptional Student Education – Elementary; Middle Junior High; and Senior High and Adult (under separate cover)

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