

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
April 9, 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of Repeal of Rule 6M-8.603, Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Provider on Probation and Required to Apply for a Good Cause Exemption

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1001.02(2)(n), 1002.79, F.S.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The rule establishes the requirements to apply for good cause exemptions to deliver the Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Program as determined by the readiness rate adopted under ss. 1002.67(4) and 1002.69(7), F.S., and Rule 6M-8.601, F.A.C., repealed in July 2024. The rule outlines the criteria for granting good cause exemption based on pre- and post-assessment results of the Florida VPK Assessment adopted under Rule 6A-1.09433, F.A.C., repealed in October 2022.

The rule and incorporated forms are being repealed as it is contingent upon an accountability system that is no longer adopted for use in VPK programs following the repeal of ss. 1002.69 and 1002.67, F.S., and Rules 6A-1.09433 and 6M-8.601, F.A.C.

Additionally, the requirements to apply for and receive good cause exemptions based on the newly adopted VPK provider performance metric and designation requirements of s. 1002.68, F.S., are described in proposed Rule 6M-8.700, F.A.C.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6M-8.603, F.A.C.

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