



## Weekly Memo

### Action Items

#### Notices of Proposed Rule

These rule revisions are scheduled for the State Board of Education meeting on **October 18, 2023**. To view the following final proposed rules and submit comments, go to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) [State Board Rules Under Review web page](#):

- Rule [6A-1.0955](#), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), Education Records
- Rule [6A-4.004](#), F.A.C., Florida Educator's Certificates with Academic, Administrative, Degreed Career and Technical, and Specialty Class Coverages
- Rule [6A-6.0521](#), F.A.C., Definitions and Requirements Which Apply to All Dropout Prevention Programs

#### Position Available with the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) Action Associate Center (AC)

FDLRS Action AC, a discretionary project of the FDOE, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEES), is seeking a technology specialist. FDLRS Action serves the districts of Florida Virtual School, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Sumter. The application deadline is **October 3, 2023**. To view the full job description and apply, go to [Orange County Public Schools Careers, Resource Teacher \(FDLRS\)](#). For questions, contact Sam Davis, project manager, at [sam.davis@fdlrsaction.org](mailto:sam.davis@fdlrsaction.org).

#### Rescheduling of the Specific Learning Disability (SLD) Contacts' Meeting

Due to unforeseen difficulties, the SLD Contacts Meeting **will not take place on October 5 and 6, 2023**, in Lake Mary. For those who registered, you do not need to contact the Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) to unregister for the SLD Contacts' Meeting. However, cancellations will need to be made for any hotel or rental arrangements unless you are planning to attend the FCEC conference for other meetings. A new date and time for the virtual SLD Contacts' Meeting will soon be announced in the BEES Weekly. For questions, contact Angela Roland at [Angela.Roland@fldoe.org](mailto:Angela.Roland@fldoe.org).

#### 2023-2024 Outstanding School Volunteer Awards

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding [2023-2024 Outstanding School Volunteer Awards](#). Nominations must be submitted by **December 14, 2023**, per the instructions in the memo.

### **31st Annual Statewide Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) Conference**

CARD hosts the largest autism-related conference in the state of Florida and is rapidly gaining recognition throughout other states and countries. This conference will be held in Orlando on **January 12-14, 2024**, and will feature numerous presenters who will link autism research and autism intervention for 900 through 1,200 educators, therapists, behavior analysts, administrators, psychologists, and, of course, individuals and parents of individuals with autism and other developmental disabilities. 2024 will bring over 56 sessions featuring Dani Bowman, from Love on the Spectrum; Kara Hume; Andrew Bulla; Maria Davis-Pierre, from Autism in Black; Dorothea C. Lerman; and Dr. David Childers; along with 64 other professional presenters. Friday, **January 12, 2024**, is Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (known as PEPSA) Day (no-cost day) and will focus on education and HISPA (Spanish sessions at no cost). There will be a hotel room discount available for conference attendees For more information and to register, go to the [31st Annual Statewide CARD Conference web page](#).

### **Florida Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE) Winter Leadership Institute— Save the Date**

The CASE Winter Leadership Institute will be in Orlando **from January 30 to February 1, 2024**. Specifically, the institute will take place Tuesday, January 30, 2024, from 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, January 31, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Thursday, February 1, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. For information and to register for the institute, go to [Florida CASE Winter Leadership Institute 2024](#). The deadline to make your hotel reservation is **January 15, 2024**. Due to limited room availability, you are encouraged to make your reservations expeditiously at [Hilton Online Hotel Reservation](#). To view the draft agenda, see the attached document.

- Filename: 2024 FL CASE Winter Institute Draft Agenda

## **Informational Items**

### **Involuntary Examination and Restraint and Seclusion (IERS) User's Manual Update**

The District Level and School Level User's Manuals for the IERS web application have been updated as of September 22, 2023. The District Level User's Manual contains information on application's business rules, managing users, viewing incident reports and running data reports. The School Level User's Manual contains information on reporting timelines, step-by-step guidance on reporting incidents and clarifications for reporting. The updated user manuals can be accessed on the [IERS web application home page](#) under the bullet for manuals.

### **Florida Instructional Material Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI) Resource Site for School Psychologists and Teachers of Students with Visual Impairments (TVIs)**

School psychologists and TVIs in Florida are invited to join this site to gain access to resources related to psychoeducational assessments of students with visual impairments. This site includes a list of cognitive and processing subtests to consider when assessing students with visual impairments, a risk list for combined vision and hearing loss, relevant webinars from the American Printing House (APH) for the Blind, materials available on loan from FIMC-VI, and a discussion board. Upon completing an optional quiz, participants may earn three in-service credit hours, if approved by your school district. To join this site, fill out the [FIMC-VI Canvas Resource Site and Course Sign-Up form](#). For questions, contact Liz Anderson at [eanderson@fimcvi.org](mailto:eanderson@fimcvi.org).

### **FIMC-VI Canvas Resource Site for TVIs**

FIMC-VI's Canvas Resource Site for Florida TVIs is an expansive collection of resources for all Florida teachers. Find information on a multitude of topics including the Expanded Core Curriculum, general professional learning opportunities, students with complex learning needs, cortical visual impairment, deaf-blindness, the Florida Low Vision Initiative, technology services, remote learning, an APH Product Swap-Meet, and more. Information is regularly updated. To join this site, fill out the [FIMC-VI Canvas Resource Site and Course Sign-Up form](#). For questions, contact Tiffany Conrad at [tconrad@fimcvi.org](mailto:tconrad@fimcvi.org).

### **Learning Ally is Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month**

Check out our latest information in the [Learning Ally October Florida Newsletter](#):

- Learning Through Listening (LTL) description,
- FREE Administrator learning session access and
- Hispanic Heritage sample titles.

For a refresher on how to manage students, access the [Learning Ally Florida Manage Students video](#) or contact one of your Florida Success Managers: Simone Smith at [ssmith@learningally.org](mailto:ssmith@learningally.org) or Marta Pozo at [mpozoz@learningally.org](mailto:mpozoz@learningally.org).

### **Revisions to Rule 6A-5.066, F.A.C., Approval of Teacher Preparation Programs**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding [revisions to Rule 6A-5.066, F.A.C., Approval of Teacher Preparation Programs](#).

### **Holocaust Education Week 2023**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding [Holocaust Education Week 2023](#) and Attachment A, [Holocaust Education Week in Florida 2023 proclamation](#).

### **House Bill (HB) 1537, Asian American and Pacific Islander History**

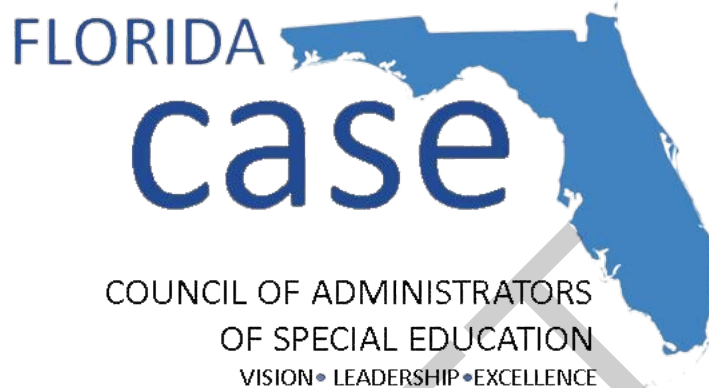
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# Florida CASE Winter Leadership Institute 2024



## FLORIDA CASE 2024 Winter Leadership Institute

January 30 - February 1, 2024

Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs  
350 Northlake Blvd.  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701-5297

# Florida CASE Winter Leadership Institute 2024

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2024

12:00PM – 4:30PM

Registration

1:00PM – 4:00PM

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER,  
JULIE WEATHERLY, Esq.**

**\*Breaks will be included\***

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024

7:00AM - 8:00AM

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING**

8:00AM – 4:00PM

WELCOME

Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services  
(BEESS) Chief, and Dr. Rosalind Hall, Florida CASE  
President

BEESS Department of Education Sessions TBD

**\*LUNCHEON\* TIME TBD**

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024

7:00AM - 8:00AM

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING**

8:00AM – 12:00PM

**Guest Speaker, Mr. Bob Cerra**

Advocacy Specialist, Overview of the Florida Legislative  
Process and ESE Bills updates

**Guest Speaker, Ms Iris Neil, Program Manager Florida  
Center for Students with Unique Abilities**

12:00PM

Adjourn