



Weekly Memo

Action Items

Notice of Rule Development

The following rule will have a rule development workshop on **October 26, 2022**, at 10 a.m. Participants may join via <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4614619941265867275>. To view the draft and submit comments, go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules/>.

- Rule [6A-1.094222](#), Florida Administrative Code, Standards for Mid-Year Promotion of Retained Third Graders

Florida Council for Exceptional Children (FCEC) 2022 Annual Conference

We know these past couple of years have challenged us all as special educators. These challenges have brought us together to think about special education in new and innovative ways that have led to new methods for teaching, learning, recruitment, and more. We invite you to share your experiences during FCEC's 74th Annual Conference in Daytona Beach on **October 20-22, 2022**, in an effort to help reimagine and reinvigorate special education in changing times. This year's theme, "Riding the Waves of Change: Reimagining Special Education in Changing Times," will be an opportunity for educators, professionals, researchers and leaders in school districts, universities, various organizations and the Florida Student CEC, to celebrate our mutual commitment to children and youth with disabilities. We encourage you to submit your proposal to present at the conference. For more information about the conference and presentations, go to <https://florida.exceptionalchildren.org>.

Second Annual Diana McLendon Excellence in Teaching Award Opportunity

On behalf of all seven of the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) centers around Florida, the Florida State University CARD is proud to present the Diana McLendon Excellence in Teaching Award, to honor our colleague who lost her battle with leukemia in December 2019. Diana was the autism spectrum disorder (ASD) program coordinator for the FDOE and the liaison for the statewide CARD centers, Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (known as PEPSA), and Autism Navigator. We are presenting this award to honor Diana and her passion for students with ASD. The application deadline is **November 12, 2021**. To view and complete the application, go to <http://tiny.cc/dianamclendon>. For more information, see the attached document.

- Filename: Diana McLendon Flyer for 2022-23

Identifying 2022-23 Alternative Schools for School Accountability

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has issued a memorandum regarding identifying 2022-23 Alternative Schools for School Accountability. Applications for requesting changes must be submitted by **November 14, 2022**, per the instructions in the memo. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9690/dps-2022-174.pdf>, <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9691/dps-2022-174a.pdf> (Attachment A) and <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9692/dps-2022-174b.pdf> (Attachment B).

Informational Items

Position Available in Student Support Services, BEESS

Student Support Services is seeking a secondary school counseling consultant for its office at the FDOE in Tallahassee. The secondary school counseling consultant is responsible for collaborating, communicating, disseminating information and providing leadership to school districts, other discretionary projects and the FDOE regarding effective school counseling practices and programs. The position is funded through the Student Support Services Project, a federal grant allocation funded through the University of South Florida. To view the complete job description and apply, go to http://sss.usf.edu/contact/positions_current/30957.html. For questions, contact Andrew Weatherill at Andrew.Weatherill@fldoe.org or 850-245-7851.

Position Available for a Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) Facilitator at the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) South Associate Center

FIN is a discretionary project funded by the FDOE, Division of Public Schools, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services, through federal assistance under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B. The FIN facilitator will work in a regional capacity to serve the following school districts in Region 5: Broward, Collier, FAU Lab School, Lee, Palm Beach, and South Tech with a primary focus in the FDLRS South service area of KIPP: Miami, Miami-Dade, Mater Academy Charter and Monroe. If you are interested in applying for this position, contact Danita Duhart, executive director, ESE for FDLRS South Associate Center, at dduhart@dadeschools.net. To learn more about FIN, go to the FIN website at <https://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/>.

2022 Legislative Changes to Background Screenings and Fingerprints

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding 2022 legislative changes to background screenings and fingerprints. To view the memorandum, go to <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-9688/dps-2022-151.pdf>.

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