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MEMORANDUM

TO: Florida College System Presidents

FROM: Kathryn S. Hebda

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**SUBJECT: Revisions to Rule 6A-14.0061, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.),
Campus, Center, Special Purpose Center and Instructional Site Designations**

Revisions to Rule 6A-14.0061, F.A.C., Campus, Center, Special Purpose Center and Instructional Site Designations, were approved by the State Board of Education at the meeting on June 30, 2026. The attached rule identifies the approved revisions, including substantive changes to subsection (3), and a new subsection (8). This memo is to provide additional explanation of these changes, as follows.

(3) A special purpose center is a unit or a portion of a site of a ~~community~~ college, consisting of college property, owned facilities or unowned facilities leased for more than one year that provides a limited number of special, clearly defined programs or services, such as, but not limited to, instruction or administration, and is in compliance with Rule 6A-2.0010, F.A.C.

(8) Regardless of funding source or size of the site, when a college plans construction, remodeling, or renovation on a new site the college must submit a request for review and approval of the site designation in accordance with the process prescribed in this rule. The college must also submit a request for review and approval of the site designation if the planned construction, remodeling, or renovation will cause a currently approved site designation to change such that the site, or a portion of the site, falls under a definition outlined in subsections (1)-(4) that is different from the definition under which the site designation was originally reviewed and approved.

The following examples provide illustrations of how the new provisions would apply.

Example A

If a college is appropriated state funding for acquisition of a new site, or for new construction, remodeling or renovation on a new site, the college must submit a new site designation request as prescribed in this rule.

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Example B

If a college is considering leasing out an unused portion of an existing site (with or without facilities) to a third party (corporation, charter school, direct support organization, etc.), the college should notify the Division of Florida Colleges (division) of the proposal. When the third-party agreement is imminent, the college should submit a site designation request for the leased property to be redesignated as a special purpose center per the process prescribed in this rule.

The division will send current site inventory information to each institution's facilities director or planner. Based on the revised rule language and the examples provided above, institutions should examine their current site designations to determine whether any designations would need to change as a result of this rule. Should you determine that a designation needs to change, please have your facilities director contact Lisa Cook at lisa.cook@fldoe.org for a review of the information needed to update our inventory. Please feel free to contact me or Lisa Cook with any questions or concerns regarding these changes.

KH/lc

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