

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Action Item

November 16, 2016

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-5.081, Approval of School Leadership Programs

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1012.562, Florida Statutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed amendment revises requirements for school leadership preparation programs to ensure that all school principals, and those on paths to become principals, have the knowledge and skills to improve student achievement. Proposed changes require postsecondary institutions with level I educational leadership programs to partner with at least one school district; establish admission requirements to include a candidate's instructional expertise and leadership potential; and align candidate performance with the partnering school district's evaluation system. The rule continues to permit school districts to establish their own level I programs, as well as require that individuals admitted to level II school district school leader programs be evaluated as effective or highly effective according to the district's evaluation system. Both level I and level II programs must be competency-based, requiring evidence at each stage that a school leader can successfully apply the knowledge and skills introduced in the program.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-5.081, F.A.C.; Request to Submit Form RTS-EL 2016, Request to Submit Form RTS-SP 2016; Initial Approval Standards EL IAS-2016; Initial Approval Standards SP IAS-2016; Continued Program Approval Standards EL-2016; and Continued Program Approval Standards SP-2016

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