

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
July 18, 2018

SUBJECT: Amendment to Rule 6A-6.0652, Competency-Based Education Pilot Program

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1001.02 and 1003.4996(6), Florida Statutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section 1003.4996, Florida Statutes, the Competency-Based Education Pilot Program, requires the creation of a rule to administer the legislation. The legislation allows the Lake, Palm Beach, Pinellas and Seminole County School Districts as well as the P. K. Yonge Developmental Research School to be eligible to participate in the five-year pilot program that will allow their students to advance to higher levels of learning upon the mastery of concepts and skills at their own pace. The Department will be able to gather information regarding the activities and accomplishments of the pilot program.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed New Rule 6A-6.0652, F.A.C.

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6A-6.0652 Competency-Based Education Pilot Program

(1) Beginning with the 2016-17 school year, the Competency-Based Education (CBE) Pilot Program is created within the Department of Education to be implemented for a period of five (5) years. The purpose and effect of the pilot program is to allow students to progress through Florida's Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) at their own pace. The State Board of Education-approved course descriptions that include the State Board of Education-approved NGSSS remain the foundation of instruction. The State Board of Education may authorize the commissioner to grant waiver of rules for eligible participants specific only to requirements associated with student progression and the awarding of credits. The school district is required to indicate how the law will be implemented in light of the requested waiver. Funding for students participating in the CBE Pilot Program will be reported pursuant to the requirements of s. 1011.62, F.S.

(2) Each of the participating districts must submit an application that meets the requirements of s. 1003.4996, F.S.

(3) The Department of Education shall compile student and staff schedules of participating schools before and after implementation of the pilot program, provide participating schools with access to statewide, standardized assessments required under s. 1008.22, F.S., and annually, by June 1 during each year of the pilot program, provide to the Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report summarizing the activities and accomplishments of the pilot program and any recommendations for statutory revisions.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02, 1003.4996 FS. Law implemented 1001.10(3), 1003.4996 F.S. New.

