

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Consent Item
September 23, 2020

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-4.0311, Specialization Requirements for Certification in School Psychologist (Grades PK-12) – Specialty Class Beginning July 1, 1992

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Sections 1001.02, 1012.55, and 1012.56, F.S.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Currently, the rule allows five pathways to earn a certification in school psychology and provides specific course requirements for each of the pathways. Three of the pathways require a specialist-level degree (Ed.S. or Master's Degree Program of 60 hours) in school psychology.

The rule adds a certification pathway for graduates of clinical and counseling psychology, and school counseling programs. Rule changes benefit districts and graduate students by expanding the pool of professionals eligible for certification (those noted above) and increasing the number of certified school psychologists available for employment by school districts.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-4.0311, F.A.C.

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