

6A-5.069 School District Professional Learning Systems.

(1) No change.

(2) Professional Learning Standards. Professional learning means learning that is designed for educators and is aligned to the state standards for effective professional learning, educator practices and leadership; incorporates active learning; is collaborative; provides models; and is sustained and continuous. The professional learning standards define Florida's expectations for high-quality professional learning systems and opportunities, and form the foundation for school district professional learning systems and catalogs. There are seven (7) standards grouped into five (5) domains (i.e., Foundation, Needs Assessment and Planning, Learning, Implementing, and Evaluating) representative of stages in an improvement cycle. Each standard includes a title, description, and multiple indicators of what the standard may look like in practice.

(a) through (g) No change.

(3) Professional Learning System Requirements. To receive approval of its professional learning system, the school district must provide the following:

(a) through (h) No change.

(i) Confirmation that the system meets the requirements of Section 1012.98, F.S., as outlined in the Professional Learning System Template, Form PLST-~~2024~~ 2022.

(4) Submission Process.

(a) School districts must submit professional learning systems to the Department for review and approval under the following circumstances:

1. No change.

2. The school district is making substantial revisions (i.e., revisions to the professional learning standards set forth in subsection (3) of this rule or the professional learning catalog ~~other than editing for grammar, name changes, or year updates~~) to a previously approved professional learning system; or

3. No change.

(b) The timelines for submission and approval of professional learning systems will be posted to the Department's website at least thirty (30) days before the submission due date. ~~Initial or substantially revised systems may not be implemented by the school district prior to Department approval.~~

(c) ~~Beginning in the 2022-23 school year, P~~professional learning systems ~~must shall~~ be submitted ~~drafted~~ using the Professional Learning System Template, Form PLST-~~2024~~ 2022.

(d) School districts ~~must shall~~ submit ~~the Template~~ professional learning systems and any supporting documentation electronically to ~~ProfessionalLearning@fldoe.org ProfessionalDevelopment@fldoe.org~~.

(5) Approval Criteria and Period.

(a) A professional learning system shall be approved by the Department when the system:

1. Is submitted to ~~ProfessionalLearning@fldoe.org ProfessionalDevelopment@fldoe.org~~;
2. No change.
3. Fulfills the requirements of subsection (3) of this rule and Section 1012.98, F.S.; and
4. No change.

(b) A professional learning system ~~shall~~ maintains its approval designation for a period of five (5) years, if the system is not substantially revised and continues to comply with the requirements listed in Section 1012.98, F.S., and this rule.

(c) Annually, the Department will post at <https://www.fldoe.org/teaching/professional-dev/> the calendar for review of professional learning systems for the following school year.

(6) Monitoring of Professional Learning Systems.

(a) The implementation of professional learning systems will be monitored by the Department through off-site and on-site reviews. Districts will be provided no less than thirty (30) days notice of off-site monitoring and no less than sixty (60) days notice of on-site monitoring.

(b) Following an off-site or on-site review, the Department will provide districts a monitoring report that includes areas of noncompliance as well identification of strengths and weakness of the district's professional learning system.

(c) School district must complete an action plan designed to address areas of noncompliance and any weaknesses identified by the Department. Districts must submit their action plan within sixty (60) days of receipt of the Department's monitoring report and submit documentation of the correction of identified deficiencies within sixty (60) days of submission of the action plan. Action plans and documentation of correction must be submitted to the following address: ProfessionalLearning@fldoe.org.

(d) Within sixty (60) days of receipt of documentation of correction, the Department will notify the district of any additional monitoring the Department will conduct to support the district's implementation of its professional learning system, including its action plan and any corrections of noncompliance.

(7) Prohibitions.

(a) Initial or substantially revised systems must not be implemented by the school district prior to Department approval.

(b) A school district must not process certification forms for educators under Section 1012.56, F.S., unless it has an approved professional learning system and that system has not undergone substantial revision since approval by the Department.

~~(8)(6)~~ Forms. The following form is hereby incorporated by reference: Professional Learning System Template, Form PLST-2024 ~~2022~~ (February 2024 ~~November 2022~~) (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14907>). Copies may be obtained from the Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Room 124, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400.
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