

### **6A-1.099822 School Improvement Rating for Alternative Schools.**

(1) Purpose. The purpose of this rule is to provide the definitions and policies for school improvement ratings as required in Sections 1008.34 and 1008.341, F.S.

(2) Definitions. For the purposes of this rule, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) “Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) education program” means a program operated by or under contract with the Department of Juvenile Justice that provides educational services to students receiving detention, prevention, or day treatment services as defined in Section 985.03, F.S.

~~(d)(e)~~ “Learning gains” means learning gains calculated based on the provisions of Rule 6A-1.09981, F.A.C., except retake assessments for the statewide standardized end-of-course and grade 10 English Language Arts assessments shall be included in the calculation when first-time statewide standardized assessments are not available for a student. For grades 9 through 12, “first-time” designates an assessment that is administered to a student for the first time during enrollment in high school (grades 9 through 12). In addition, concordant and comparison scores as identified in Rule ~~6A-1.09422(8)~~ ~~6A-1.094223~~, F.A.C., may be used to demonstrate learning gains for students in grades 9 through 12 who scored at Achievement Levels 1 or 2 in the prior year in the same subject area.

(3) School Improvement Rating Framework.

(a) No change.

(b) Schools identified as alternative schools, ~~and~~ ESE Center schools, and DJJ education programs have the option of earning a school grade, pursuant to Section 1008.34, F.S., or a school improvement rating, as outlined in subsection (4) of this rule. Each alternative school identified as described in paragraph ~~(2)(3)~~(a) of this rule, ~~and~~ ESE Center school identified pursuant to Rule 6A-1.099828, F.A.C., and DJJ education program identified as described in paragraph (2)(c) of this rule shall indicate whether it chooses to receive a school grade or a school improvement rating. Schools that do not indicate a choice will receive a school improvement rating.

(c) Each alternative school, ~~or~~ ESE Center school, or DJJ education program that does not choose to receive a school grade shall be assigned a school improvement rating of Commendable, Maintaining, or Unsatisfactory annually based on the provisions of this rule.

(d) through (f) No change.

(4) School Improvement Rating System.

(a) The school improvement rating system shall include the following components for all alternative schools, ~~and~~ ESE Center schools, and DJJ education programs selecting to receive a school improvement rating.

1. through 2. No change.

(b) No change.

(5) No change.

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