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MEMORANDUM

TO: Florida College System Presidents

FROM: Kathy Hebda

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**SUBJECT: Amendment to Rule 6A-10.0315, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.),
Demonstration of Readiness for College-Level Communication and Computation**

On May 24, 2023, the State Board of Education (SBOE) approved revisions to Rule 6A-10.0315, F.A.C, Demonstration of Readiness for College-Level Communication and Computation. The rule identifies minimum standards on common placement tests and alternative methods used to demonstrate readiness to perform college-level work, per section 1008.30, Florida Statutes. A copy of the rule is attached for your reference.

As a background to the rule amendment, starting in the spring of 2023, College Board began transitioning to a digital format for the SAT Suite of Assessments. As part of that transition, there was a change to the way test scores are provided and to the structure of the Reading and Writing & Language section tests. Starting in fall 2023, College Board will no longer provide two-digit Mathematics, Reading, and Writing & Language section test scores, and the Reading and Writing & Language section tests will be integrated into one combined-skills section test, called Evidence Based Reading and Writing. As a result, they will now only provide three-digit section test scores for Mathematics and Evidenced Based Reading & Writing.

The rule revision also includes removal of three non-honors high school courses (pre-calculus, calculus, and probability and statistics). The honors sections of those courses are still in rule. Other non-substantive technical changes were made to the rule as well.

Each FCS institution should review the rule revisions and take any necessary action to be consistent with changes, where applicable. After that point, FCS institutions may need to revise existing placement policies for students who use the SAT Suite of

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Assessments for purposes of demonstrating college readiness or for course-level placement in reading and writing, because College Board will no longer provide separate reading and writing scores.

Additionally, FCS institutions may need to update institutional catalogs, websites, and reporting mechanisms and inform academic and admissions advisors of the new provisions. Please contact Dr. Mike Sfiropoulos, Director of Academic Affairs, at Mike.Sfiropoulos@fldoe.org for questions regarding the rule.

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