



## Weekly Memo

### Action Items

#### **Learning Ally Presents a Read Across America Author Event with Carmen Agra Deedy**

Learning Ally would like to celebrate the conclusion of our annual Great Reading Games. Your whole class is invited to join us on **March 2, 2023**, at noon EST, for our Read Across America Day Author Event with [Carmen Agra Deedy](#). To register, go to the [Learning Ally's event registration](#).

#### **Working With the Experts: Visually Impaired (VI) – Assistive Technology**

The Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI) is offering “Working with the Experts – VI: Technology Walkabout,” on **March 30-31, 2023**, in Tallahassee. Join experts from the Center for Assistive Technology Training, American Printing House for the Blind (APH), and Vispero to learn about current and new technologies and practices. To learn more and to register, go to the [FIMC-VI Working with the Experts Spring 2023 registration page](#). For questions, contact Andrea Wallace at [awallace@fimcvi.org](mailto:awallace@fimcvi.org) or Tiffany Conrad at [tconrad@fimcvi.org](mailto:tconrad@fimcvi.org).

#### **Amendments to Rule 6A-6.053, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), District K-12 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan**

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) has issued a memorandum regarding [amendments to Rule 6A-6.053, F.A.C., District K-12 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan](#); attachment A, titled [District K-12 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan Reflection Tool](#), which must be submitted by **May 15, 2023**, per the instructions in the memo; and attachment B, titled [District K-12 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan](#), which must be submitted by **June 15, 2023**, or an alternative template may be submitted, per the instructions in the memo.

### Informational Items

#### **FIMC-VI Professional Development Opportunity**

The Florida and Virgin Islands Deaf-Blind Collaborative and FIMC-VI have collaborated to create a new self-paced, independent learning opportunity using materials developed by the National Center on Deaf-Blindness. These are professional development modules for practitioners who want to improve their knowledge of deaf-blindness and gain practical skills that are essential for

working with students who are deaf-blind. The intended audience is teachers from a variety of areas (e.g., special education, visual impairment, deaf or hard of hearing, and severe or multiple disabilities); related service providers; and administrators. Participants may earn 14 inservice credit hours if approved by your school district. For those interested in participating, go to the [FIMC-VI Canvas Resource Site and Course Sign-Up](#). For questions, contact Tiffany Conrad at [tconrad@fimcvi.org](mailto:tconrad@fimcvi.org).

### **Amendments to Rule 6A-1.094222, F.A.C., Standards for Mid-Year Promotion of Retained Third Graders**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding [amendments to Rule 6A-1.094222, F.A.C., Standards for Mid-Year Promotion of Retained Third Graders](#).

### **Adoption of Changes to Rule 6A-5.065, F.A.C., The Florida Educator Accomplished Practices**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the [adoption of changes to Rule 6A-5.065, F.A.C., The Florida Educator Accomplished Practices](#).

### **Amended State Board of Education Rule Regarding the Hope Scholarship Program (Rule 6A-6.0951, F.A.C.)**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the [amended State Board of Education rule regarding the Hope Scholarship Program](#).

### **New State Board of Education Rule Regarding Certifications and Plans for Instructional Materials and Library Media (Rule 6A-7.0715, F.A.C.)**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the [new State Board of Education rule regarding certifications and plans for instructional materials and library media](#).

### **Amended State Board of Education Rule Regarding the Principles of Professional Conduct for the Education Profession in Florida (Rule 6A-10.081, F.A.C.)**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding the [amended State Board of Education rule regarding the principles of professional conduct for the education profession in Florida](#).

### **Involuntary Examination (IE) Reporting for the 2022-2023 School Year**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding [IE reporting for the 2022-2023 school year](#).

### **Arts Education Month 2023**

The FDOE has issued a memorandum regarding [Arts Education Month 2023](#).

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