

## FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

November 17, 2005

**SUBJECT:** Board of Governors' Adoption of State Board of Education Rules 6A-10.019, 6A-10.024, 6A-10.02412, 6A-10.0242, 6A-10.030, 6A-10.033, 6A-10.0331, 6A-10.038, 6A-10.041, and 6A10.043.

### PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

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Pass a resolution, as recommended by the Florida Board of Governors Student Affair Committee, adopting the following State Board of Education rules (with minor technical changes):

- 6A-10.019, Required Annual Calendar for Schools and Colleges;
- 6A-10.024, Articulation Between and Among State Universities, Community Colleges, and School Districts;
- 6A-10.02412, Foreign Language Competence and Equivalence;
- 6A-10.0242, Procedures for Determining the Level At Which Courses Shall Be Classified;
- 6A.10.030, Other Assessment Procedures for College-Level Communication and Computation Skills;
- 6A-10.033, Postsecondary Credit Definitions;
- 6A-10.0331, Deletion of Courses from Catalogs and Common Course Numbering System;
- 6A-10.038, Postsecondary Feedback of Student Information to High Schools;
- 6A-10.041, Substitution for Requirements for Eligible Disabled Students at State Universities, Community Colleges, and Postsecondary Vocational Institutions; and
- 6A-10.043, Nonpublic College Participation in the Common Course Numbering and Designation System.

The purpose of these rules is to establish consistent policies for articulation between and among state universities, community colleges, and school districts.

### AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7 (d), Constitution of the State of Florida.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Prior to the dissolution of the Florida Board of Regents, the State Board of Education (i.e., at that time, the Cabinet) had approval authority over the rules of both the Board of Regents and the State Board of Community Colleges. The Board of Education established 6A-10 rules to address cross-sector issues that applied to both community colleges and state universities. However, as a result

of changes in education governance, there is no longer a single board that acts as an umbrella for both postsecondary sectors. This change has resulted in a need to coordinate the efforts of the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors to preserve Florida's strong 2+2 articulation system so that students can move with relative ease from one institution or sector to another.

These 6A-10 rules have gone through an extensive revision process led by the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC). The ACC Standing Committee on Statewide Policies and Guidance (a committee consisting of K-20 education professionals from around the state) held two 3-hour meetings in November 2004 and February 2005 to discuss proposed revisions to the rules. During this process, input from various constituent groups was solicited and legal counsel was obtained. In May 2005, the Committee held a third workshop and approved the recommendations for revision. These recommendations were forwarded to the full ACC for approval at its May 25, 2005, meeting and subsequently submitted to and adopted by the State Board of Education on October 18, 2005. Summaries of the rule amendments approved by the State Board of Education are attached. Adoption of these rules (with the minor technical changes noted) via resolution is now sought from the Board of Governors.

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**Supporting Documentation Available:** Draft FBOG Resolution Regarding Adoption of State Board of Education Articulation Rules (With Student Affairs Committee Agenda)

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