

SUBJECT: Facilitating Collaboration

Tactic: Quality 2.2.2 - Develop a structure to facilitate collaboration system-wide in evaluating, recommending, and purchasing software to ensure cost efficiencies and effectiveness.

Background:

Institutions often work independently to explore, test, and implement educational technology. Collaboration will reduce duplications of efforts in technology adoption and selection processes.

Recommendations:

The infrastructure workgroup recommends the formation of the State Educational Licensing Committee (SELC) to enable discussions via quarterly meetings regarding the exploration, evaluation, and procurement of technology, software, and/or shared services to assist in the delivery of online education to help reduce costs and/or promote quality. The State Educational Licensing Committee (SELC) will organize and hold quarterly meetings to facilitate communication regarding technology, software, or services for adoption through a master contract or agreement at the state system level to help reduce costs.

The State Educational Licensing Committee (SELC) will be appointed by and report to the Steering Committee for the implementation of the 2025 Strategic Plan for Online Education and shall include, but not be limited to, representative(s) of the SUS CIOs and the Board of Governors Director of Shared Services. Representatives from Florida College System institutions will be invited to participate.

The State Educational Licensing Committee (SELC) will identify technology, software, or services that are most commonly used or needed in the SUS and will establish operating procedures, including those procedures for working with the Board's Director of Shared Services to manage the procurement process and communication strategies for collaboration. All recommendations, including recommendations for funding, will be submitted to the Steering Committee for approval.

Supporting Documentation Included: None

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