

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
September 8, 2023

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Approval of Amendment of Board of Governors Regulation 6.002, Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Approval of Amendment of Board of Governors Regulation 6.002, Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 6.002, Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen, outlines requirements for undergraduate admission for first-time-in-college students, including standard admission, admission for home-education students, alternative admission, and admission through the Talented 20 program.

The 2023 Florida Legislature passed House Bill 1537, which was signed into law on May 9, 2023. The bill revised section 1008.22, Florida Statutes, to authorize school districts to administer the Classic Learning Test (CLT) in addition to the SAT and ACT. In addition, the bill revised section 1009.531, Florida Statutes, to allow students to be eligible for the Bright Futures Scholarship Program based on CLT scores that concord to equivalent SAT or ACT scores.

Board staff propose amending Regulation 6.002 to meet the needs of students that may take the CLT as authorized in the above statutes. The proposed amendment adds CLT as an acceptable exam for university admissions. The proposed amendment also provides a concordance score for students who are homeschooled using the concordance tables created and published by Classic Learning Initiatives, LLC. in April 2023.

The amendment also clarifies the requirements for students in the Talented 20 program. The Talented 20 program guarantees admission to one of Florida's 12 state universities to students that graduate in the top 20% of their high school class. The proposed amendment clarifies that students must receive three denials before appealing to the Board of Governors. The amendment specifies that students who graduate with an Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) diploma qualify for alternative admission, consistent with the pathway allowed for students receiving an International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma. Finally, the amendment removes an outdated SAT score

from 2016.

The Board of Governors approved the Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 6.002, Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen, at its June 22, 2023, meeting. Following the approval of the public notice of intent, no public comments were received, and the amended regulation is ready for final approval.

Supporting Documentation Included:

Regulation 6.002, Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen