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Dear Directors:

Pursuant to Chapter 216, Florida Statutes, our Long Range Program Plan (LRPP) for the Florida Department of Education is submitted in the format prescribed in the budget instructions. The information provided electronically and contained herein is a true and accurate presentation of our mission, goals, objectives, and measures for the Fiscal Year 2014-15 through Fiscal Year 2018-19. The internet website address that provides the link to the LRPP located on the Florida Fiscal Portal is <u>http://www.fldoe.org/budget/lrpp.asp</u>. This submission has been approved by Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart.

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AGENCY MISSION, VISION, GOALS, AND OBJECTIVES

Mission: Increase Student Proficiency

Section 1008.31, Florida Statutes (F.S.), establishes the mission of Florida's education delivery system.

The mission of Florida's K-20 education system is to increase the proficiency of all students within one seamless, efficient system, by allowing them the opportunity to expand their knowledge and skills through learning opportunities and research valued by students, parents, and communities.

Vision

To achieve the mission established in statute for Florida's education delivery system, the State Board of Education presents the following vision statement:

Florida will have an efficient world-class education system that engages and prepares all students to be globally competitive for college and careers.

Statutory Goals

Section 1008.31, F.S., establishes four goals for Florida's education delivery system. Each of these goals will be measured through the accountability system and progress will be documented through performance indicators approved by the State Board of Education, as well as performance outcomes included in this plan. The four goals are:

- 1. Highest Student Achievement
- 2. Seamless Articulation and Maximum Access
- 3. Skilled Workforce and Economic Development
- 4. Quality Efficient Services

The first three goals are supported by priorities approved by the State Board of Education to provide Florida an education system that creates a culture of high expectations for present and future generations. Activities and programs are aligned to serve prekindergarten students, K-12 students in the public school system, postsecondary students in the Florida College System, and teachers and education leaders. Outcomes and performance projections have been established to document progress and provide accountability.

Outcomes and Performance Projections

Goal 1: Highest Student Achievement

OBJECTIVE 1A: To improve kindergarten readiness.

Outcome 1A.1: Percentage of Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program completers who score ready on state kindergarten readiness assessments.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
76.9%	85.0%	87.0%	89.0%	91.0%	93.0%

Outcome 1A.2: Number/percentage of Early Intervention/Blind Babies customers successfully transitioned from the Blind Babies Program to the Children's Program (from preschool to school).

Baseline FY 2012-13	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
160 / 88.4%	162 / 88.4%	164 / 88.4%	166 / 88.4%	168 / 88.4%	170 / 88.4%

OBJECTIVE 1B: To increase the percentage of students performing at grade level.

Outcome 1B.1: Percentage of students scoring at or above grade level on statewide English/Language Arts assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
57.0%	71.0%	75.0%	79.0%	83.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 1B.2: Percentage of students scoring at or above grade level on statewide mathematics assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
58.0%	70.0%	74.0%	78.0%	82.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 1B.3: Percentage of students scoring at or above grade level on statewide science assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
50.0%	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*The State Board of Education adopted standards for the statewide science assessment in December 2012; performance projections to be determined (TBD) when two years of performance data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

	Arts assessmer	Arts assessments by subgroup to reduce the achievement gap.						
	Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19		
American Indian Asian Black/African American Hispanic White Economically Disadvantaged English Language Learners Students with Disabilities	76.0% 38.0% 53.0% 69.0% 46.0% 33.0%	70.0% 83.0% 58.0% 69.0% 79.0% 63.0% 55.0%	74.0% 85.0% 63.0% 73.0% 82.0% 68.0% 60.0%	78.0% 88.0% 69.0% 77.0% 85.0% 73.0% 66.0%	82.0% 90.0% 74.0% 81.0% 88.0% 72.0% 72.0%	TBD* TBD* TBD* TBD* TBD* TBD* TBD*		
Sudents with Disabilities	29.0%	53.0%	59.0%	65.0%	78.0%	TBD*		

Outcome 1B.4: Percentage of students scoring at or above grade level on statewide English/Language Arts assessments by subgroup to reduce the achievement gap.

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 1B.5: Percentage of students scoring at or above grade level on statewide mathematics assessments by subgroup to reduce the achievement gap.

	Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
American Indian	58.0%	69.0%	73.0%	77.0%	81.0%	TBD*
Asian		87.0%	88.0%	90.0%	92.0%	TBD*
Black/African American	10 00/	58.0%	63.0%	69.0%	74.0%	TBD*
Hispanic	55.0%	68.0%	72.0%	76.0%	80.0%	TBD*
White	00.070	77.0%	80.0%	83.0%	86.0%	TBD*
Economically Disadvantaged		63.0%	68.0%	73.0%	78.0%	TBD*
English Language Learners		59.0%	64.0%	69.0%	74.0%	TBD*
Students with Disabilities	32.0%	54.0%	60.0%	66.0%	72.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 1B.6: Percentage of students scoring at or above grade level on statewide science assessments by subgroup to reduce the achievement gap.

	Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
American Indian Asian Black/African American Hispanic White Economically Disadvantaged English Language Learners Students with Disabilities	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*The State Board of Education adopted standards for the statewide science assessment in December 2012; performance projections are to be determined (TBD) after two years of performance data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1B.7: Percentage of students scoring Level 4 and above on statewide assessments in reading.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
31.0%	45.0%	49.0%	52.0%	56.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 1B.8: Percentage of students scoring Level 4 and above on statewide assessments in mathematics.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
36.0%	50.0%	54.0%	57.0%	61.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

OBJECTIVE 1C: To increase student participation and performance in accelerated course options.

Outcome 1C.1: Percentage of ninth-grade students who passed a statewide high school credit bearing end-of-course assessment prior to ninth grade.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
19.0%	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*End-of-course assessments were initially administered in 2010-11. Outcome projections to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of performance data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1C.2: Percentage of high school graduates who completed at least one accelerated mechanism (i.e., Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), Dual Enrollment (DE), Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE), or Industry Certification).

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
45.0%	57.0%	60.0%	63.0%	66.0%	69.0%

Outcome 1C.3: Percentage of students who took at least one AP, IB, DE, AICE, or industry certification examination and were eligible for the associated postsecondary credit.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
70.0%	82.0%	85.0%	88.0%	91.0%	94.0%

OBJECTIVE 1D: To increase the percentage of effective and highly effective principals.

Outcome 1D.1: Percentage of effective and highly effective principals at all elementary and secondary schools.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1D.2: Percentage of effective and highly effective principals at high-minority schools.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1D.3 Percentage of effective and highly effective principals at high-poverty schools.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1D.4: Change in the percentage of schools administered by effective and highly effective principals in "D" and "F" schools after three years.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

OBJECTIVE 1E: To increase the percentage of effective and highly effective teachers.

Outcome 1E.1: Percentage of effective and highly effective teachers at all elementary and secondary schools.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1E.2: Percentage of effective and highly effective teachers at high-minority schools.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1E.3: Percentage of effective and highly effective teachers at high-poverty schools.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1E.4: Change in the percentage of classes taught by effective and highly effective teachers at "D" and "F" schools after three years.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1E.5: Percentage of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) courses taught by effective and highly effective teachers.

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

OBJECTIVE 1F: To reduce the number of out-of-field teachers.

Outcome 1F.1: Percentage of classes taught by in-field teachers at all elementary and secondary schools.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
94.0%	94.5%	94.7%	94.8%	95.0%	95.2%

Outcome 1F.2: Percentage of classes taught by in-field teachers at high-minority schools.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
94.0%	95.0%	95.3%	95.6%	96.0%	96.3%

Outcome 1F.3: Percentage of classes taught by in-field teachers at high-poverty schools.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
94.0%	95.0%	95.3%	95.7%	96.0%	96.3%

Outcome 1F.4: Change in the percentage of classes taught by in-field teachers at "D" and "F" schools after three years.

Baseline FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined (TBD) when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1F.5: Percentage of STEM classes taught by in-field teachers.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
96.0%	96.5%	96.7%	96.8%	97.0%	97.2%

OBJECTIVE 1G: To increase the percentage of charter school students performing at grade level.

Outcome 1G.1: Percentage of students attending a charter school scoring at or above grade level on statewide English/Language Arts assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
62.0%	72.0%	75.3%	78.7%	82.0%	TBD*

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Outcome 1G.2: Percentage of students attending a charter school scoring at or above grade level on statewide mathematics assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
62.0%	72.5%	76.0%	79.5%	83.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 1G.3: Percentage of students	attending a charter	school scoring at or	r above grade level on
statewide science.			

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
52.0%	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*The State Board of Education adopted standards for the statewide science assessment in December 2012; performance projections to be determined (TBD) after two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 1G.4: Percentage of students attending a charter school scoring Level 4 or above on statewide English/Language Arts assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
34.0%	45.0%	49.0%	52.0%	56.0%	TBD*

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Outcome 1G.5: Percentage of students attending a charter school scoring Level 4 or above on statewide mathematics assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
29.0%	41.84%	48.2%	54.6%	61.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

OBJECTIVE 1H: To ensure that Supplemental Educational Services (SES) providers are highperforming.

Outcome 1H.1: Percentage of high-performing Supplemental Education Services providers.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
49.0%	59.0%	63.0%	66.0%	70.0%	73.0%

OBJECTIVE 1I: To increase college readiness and success.

Outcome 11.1: Percentage of Developmental Education completers (English only) who complete a college-level course in the same subject with a "C" grade or above within two years.

Baseline FY 2007-08 Cohort	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
62.4%	63.2%	63.4%	63.7%	63.9%	64.2%

Outcome 11.2: Percentage of Developmental Education completers (mathematics only) who complete a college-level course in the same subject with a "C" grade or above within two years.

Baseline FY 2007-08 Cohort	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
31.8%	32.6%	32.8%	33.1%	33.3%	33.6%

Outcome 11.3: Percentage of Developmental Education completers (English and mathematics) who complete a college-level course in the same subjects with a "C" grade or above within two years.

Baseline FY 2007-08 Cohort	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
23.7%	24.3%	24.4%	24.6%	24.8%	25.0%

Outcome 1I.4: Number of institutional and program rankings in the Florida College System.

	Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
Institutional	128	142	147	152	157	162
Program	56	70	75	80	84	88

Outcome 11.5: Number of Florida College System faculty receiving awards.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
743	778	789	801	812	824

Outcome 11.6: Percentage of postsecondary students receiving federal, state, local, institutional, or other sources of grant aid.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
52.7%	54.2%	54.7%	55.2%	55.7%	56.2%

Outcome 11.7: Percentage of postsecondary students receiving federal student loans.

Baseline FY 2010-7		FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
19.4%	18.4%	18.1%	17.8%	17.4%	17.1%

Outcome 11.8: Average amount of federal student loan aid received by an undergraduate postsecondary student.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
\$5,418	\$5,665	\$5,750	\$5,836	\$5,924	\$6,013

Outcome 11.9: Cohort default rate for Florida College System students.

Baseline FY 2008-09	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
12.9%	11.8%	11.4%	11.1%	10.7%	10.3%

Outcome 1I.10: Retention rates of Florida College System students.

	Baseline Fall 2007 – Spring 2011	Fall 2009 – Spring 2013	Fall 2010 – Spring 2014	Fall 2011 – Spring 2015		Fall 2013 – Spring 2017
AA Rate	66.7%	68.7%	69.4%	70.1%	70.8%	71.4%
AAS/AS Rate	58.8%	61.1%	61.8%	62.5%	63.2%	64.0%

Outcome 1I.11: Number of degrees and certificates awarded.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
93,285	108,483	113,854	119,225	124,596	129,966

Outcome 11.12: Graduation rate for first-time-in-college students (in 150% time).

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
35.0%	35.9%	36.3%	36.6%	36.9%	37.2%
of Cohort	of Cohort	of Cohort	of Cohort	of Cohort	of Cohort

Outcome 1I.13: Average time to attain an associate degree.

	Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
Accelerated Students	~ ~	2.7 years	2.7 years	2.7 years	2.6 years	2.6 years
Non-accelerated Students		4.5 years	4.4 years	4.3 years	4.2 years	4.2 years

Outcome 1I.14: Average number of credits to attain an associate degree.

	Baseline FY 20009-10	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
Accelerated Students		71 credits	70 credits	69 credits	68 credits	65 credits
Non-accelerated Students	10 0100113	76 credits	75 credits	74 credits	73 credits	70 credits

Outcome 1I.15: Transfer rates of associate degree graduates who transfer within two years to the upper division at a Florida College System.

Baseline FY 2008-09 Completers	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
7.6%	11.5%	12.8%	14.1%	15.4%	16.7%

Outcome 1I.16: Transfer rates of associate degree graduates who transfer within two years to the upper division at a state university.

Baseline FY 20008-09 Completers	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
50.7%	52.2%	52.7%	53.2%	53.7%	54.2%

Outcome 1I.17: Percentage of students taking and passing licensure exams*.

	Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
NCLEX-RN Registered Nurse	00 70/	90.1%	90.3%	90.5%	90.7%	90.8%
NCLEX-PN Practical Nurse	00.070	89.4%	89.6%	89.9%	90.1%	90.4%

*Outcomes for additional licensure exams to be added when data are available.

GOAL 2: Seamless Articulation and Maximum Access

OBJECTIVE 2A: To increase high school graduation rates.

Outcome 2A.1: Percentage of students who graduate from high school, as calculated according to Florida's federal graduation rate for a standard diploma.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
70.6%	83.0%	86.0%	89.0%	92.0%	95.0%

Outcome 2A.2: Percentage of students who graduate from high school, as calculated according to Florida's federal graduation rate to include standard, special, and five-year diplomas.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
73.4%	85.0%	88.0%	91.0%	94.0%	97.0%

OBJECTIVE 2B: To improve college readiness of high school graduates.

Outcome 2B.1: Percentage of high school graduates meeting approved postsecondary readiness standards at the time of graduation, as measured by standard assessments in reading, writing, and mathematics.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
47.0%	72.0%	77.0%	82.0%	87.0%	92.0%

Outcome 2B.2: Percentage of Florida high school graduates (standard diploma) who qualify for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship.

Baseline FY 2001-02	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
33.0%	24.1%*	17.1%*	17.1%*	17.1%*	17.1%*

*Projections reflect estimates that fewer students will be eligible for Bright Futures Scholarship when increasingly more stringent eligibility requirements become effective, as required by legislative changes enacted in 2011.

OBJECTIVE 2C: To expand digital education.

Outcome 2C.1: Student-to-computer device ratio for students in grades three through eleven.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
2.87:1	2:1*	1.5:1*	1.25:1*	1:1*	1:1*

*Outcome projections reflect district policy and technology planning; projections are not expected to be accomplished with only state funding.

Outcome 2C.2: Percentage of public schools meeting the minimum network bandwidth standards.

Baseline FY 2012-13	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
Begin Data Collection	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*Projected outcomes to be determined when more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

OBJECTIVE 2D: To expand school choice options or students.

Outcome 2D.1: Number of charter schools in Florida.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
518	674	725	777	829	879

Outcome 2D.2: Close the gap between the percentage of students eligible for Free and Reduced Price Lunch who are served by charter schools and the percentage of students eligible for Free and Reduced Price Lunch who are served by traditional public schools.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
45.0%	49.0%	51.0%	53.0%	55.0%	57.0%

Outcome 2D.3: Number of students enrolled in charter schools.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
179,940	269,910	299,900	329,890	359,880	389,870

Outcome 2D.4: Number of students participating in the McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
24,194	27,818	29,025	30,233	31,441	32,649

Outcome 2D.5: Number of students participating in the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
40,248	70,434	80,496	90,558	100,620	110,682

Outcome 2D.6: Percentage of students attending a full-time virtual education program scoring at or above grade level on statewide English/Language Arts assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
71.0%	76.4%	78.3%	80.2%	82.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 2D.7: Percentage of students attending a full-time virtual education program scoring at or above grade level on statewide mathematics assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
55.0%	70.0%	74.0%	78.0%	83.0%	TBD*

*Fiscal year (FY) 2018-19 performance projections for K-12 student achievement on statewide assessments to be determined (TBD) and presented to the State Board of Education for approval in 2014 as part of the strategic planning process requirement in s. 1001.02(3)(a), F.S.

Outcome 2D.8: Percentage of students attending a full-time virtual program scoring at or above grade level on statewide science assessments.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
58.0%	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*	TBD*

*The State Board of Education adopted standards for the statewide science assessment in December 2012; performance projections to be determined (TBD) after more than two years of data are available and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

Outcome 2D.9: Percentage of students enrolled in virtual education courses.

	Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
Part-time Virtual Programs		4.48%	4.64%	4.80%	5.0%	5.20%
Full-time Virtual Programs	•·= · / •	.64%	.74%	.84%	1.0%	1.1%

OBJECTIVE 2E: To expand and maintain student access.

Outcome 2E.1: Number of high school students participating in dual enrollment courses.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
46,083	52,433	54,549	56,666	58,782	60,899

Outcome 2E.2: Number of students enrolled in college credit courses in the Florida College System.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
478,130	501,329	509,637	500,930	505,532	510,134

Outcome 2E.3: Number of students enrolled in college credit courses in the Florida College System disaggregated by age range.

	Baseline Fall 2011	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
Under 18-21 Years 22-29 Years 30-39 Years 40-64 Years Other	135,187 64.014	233,157 135,793 67,680 53,892 1,204	235,629 135,995 68,902 54,597 1,205	238,101 136,197 70,124 55,302 1,206	240,573 136,399 71,346 56,007 1,207	243,045 136,601 72,568 56,712 1,208

Outcome 2E.4: Percentage of high school students who enroll in the Florida College System in the _year following high school graduation.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
35.5%	36.3%	36.8%	37.2%	37.6%	37.9%

Outcome 2E.5: Of students who enroll in the Florida College System in the year following high school graduation, the percentage of minority students.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
54.1%	56.8%	57.7%	58.6%	59.5%	60.4%

Outcome 2E.6: Of students who enroll in the Florida College System in the year following high school graduation, the percentage of students from low-income families.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
64.2%	65.0%	65.3%	65.5%	65.8%	66.1%

Outcome 2E.7: Percentage of degree-seeking students classified as non-Florida residents for tuition _purposes.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
3.7%	4.3%	4.5%	4.7%	4.9%	5.1%

Outcome 2E.8: Average net price of attending a Florida College System institution.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
\$6,511	\$6,511	\$6,511	\$6,511	\$6,511	\$6,511

Outcome 2E.9. Number of students enrolled in community education programs (Continuing Workforce Education and Recreation and Leisure).

	Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
Continuing Workforce Education		167,470	172,644	177,818	182,992	188,166
Recreation and Leisure	01,101	60,613	61,564	62,515	63,466	64,607

GOAL 3: Skilled Workforce and Economic Development

OBJECTIVE 3A: To expand science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) related educational opportunities in high-demand areas.

Outcome 3A.1: Percentage of career and technical education (CTE) students enrolled in STEM programs.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
29.0%	31.5%	32.0%	32.5%	33.0%	33.5%

OBJECTIVE 3B: To increase career and technical education opportunities for high school graduates.

Outcome 3B.1: Percentage of high school students earning an industry certification.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
3.7%	8.5%	9.0%	9.5%	10.0%	10.5%

Outcome 3B.2: Percentage of workforce education students who become full program completers within 2 years of enrollment in school districts.

Baseline FY 2001-02	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
35.1%	48.0%	49.0%	50.0%	51.0%	52.0%

OBJECTIVE 3C: To improve adult education programs.

Outcome 3C.1: Percentage of adult general education students who demonstrate learning gains.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
25.1%	27.0%	27.5%	28.0%	29.0%	30.0%

Outcome 3C.2: Percentage of adult general education ESOL students who demonstrate learning gains.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
30.7%	33.1%	33.7%	34.3%	35.0%	35.6%

Outcome 3C.3: Percentage of adult general education students who earn a high school diploma or its equivalent (GED).

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
40.6%	42.5%	43.0%	43.5%	44.0%	44.5%

Outcome 3C.4: Percentage of adult high school diploma earners who enroll in a postsecondary program.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
40.2%	48.0%	50.0%	52.0%	54.0%	56.0%

Outcome 3C.5: Percentage of State of Florida high school equivalency diploma (GED) earners who enroll in a postsecondary program.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
29.1%	37.0%	39.0%	41.0%	43.0%	45.0%

OBJECTIVE 3D: To prepare students for careers.

Outcome 3D.1: Percentage of all Florida College System graduates earning a career certificate, a college credit certificate, an associate in applied science (AAS) degree, an applied science (AS) degree, an associate in arts (AA) degree, and a bachelor's degree who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of completion.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
65.0%	69.9%	70.3%	71.6%	72.9%	74.2%

Outcome 3D.2: Percentage of Florida College System graduates earning a career certificate who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of college completion.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
76.7%	80.6%	81.9%	83.2%	84.5%	85.8%

Outcome 3D.3: Percentage of Florida College System graduates earning a college credit certificate who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of college completion.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
72.7%	77.4%	78.9%	80.5%	82.0%	83.6%

Outcome 3D.4: Percentage of Florida College System graduates earning an AAS degree who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of college completion.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
83.3%	85.3%	85.9%	86.6%	87.2%	87.9%

Outcome 3D.5: Percentage of Florida College System graduates earning an AS degree who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of college completion.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
86.3%	88.8%	89.6%	90.4%	91.2%	92.0%

Outcome 3D.6: Percentage of Florida College System graduates earning an AA degree who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of college completion.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
53.0%	55.6%	56.5%	57.3%	58.2%	59.0%

Outcome 3D.7: Percentage of Florida College System graduates earning a bachelor's degree who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of college completion.

Baseline FY 2009-10	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
88.2%	89.9%	90.5%	91.1%	91.7%	92.3%

Outcome 3D.8: Average wages of Florida College System graduates earning a career certificate or degree who were found employed in the State of Florida within one year of college completion.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
\$40,713	\$41,966	\$42,386	\$42,810	\$43,238	\$43,670

Outcome 3D.9: Percentage of school district postsecondary certificate program completers found employed in Florida within one year of completion.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
59.7%	66.1%	67.8%	69.3%	70.0%	70.0%

Outcome 3D.10: Percentage of school district postsecondary certificate program enrollees who earn an industry certification.

Baseline FY 2010-11	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
11.0%	15.0%	16.0%	17.0%	18.0%	19.0%

GOAL 4: Quality Efficient Services

OBJECTIVE 4A: To increase employment outcomes for vocational rehabilitation (VR) customers.

Outcome 4A.1: Number of individuals exiting the VR program who achieved an employment outcome.

Baseline FY 2012-13	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
6,532	6,436	6,557	6,678	6,800	6,822

Outcome 4A.2: Of all the individuals who achieved an employment outcome for the VR program, the percentage who exited with earnings equivalent to at least the minimum wage.

Baseline FY 2012-13	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
98.3%	90.7%	90.8%	90.9%	91.0%	91.1%

Outcome 4A.3: Number/percent of all VR customers gainfully employed (rehabilitated) for at least 90 days.

Baseline FY 2012-13	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
6,523 /	6,436 /	6,557 /	6,678 /	6,800 /	6,822 /
43.4%	55.8%	55.8%	55.8%	55.8%	55.8%

OBJECTIVE 4B: To increase employment outcomes for blind services customers.

Outcome 4B.1: Number/percent of rehabilitation customers placed in competitive employment (at or above minimum wage).

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
708 /	708 /	715 /	722 /	729 /	736 /
97.25%	97.25%	97.25%	97.25%	97.25%	97.25%

Outcome 4B.2: Number of blind vending food service facilities supporting employed blind vendors.

Baseline FY 2011-12	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
147	151	152	153	155	158

OBJECTIVE 4C: To align resources with strategic goals.

OBJECTIVE 4D: To design and implement K-20 education accountability processes.

OBJECTIVE 4E: To implement an integrated education performance management system.

LINKAGE TO GOVERNOR'S PRIORITIES

Florida's education goals and objectives are directly linked to the Governor's priorities. The Governor's first priority, *improving education*, aligns with objectives to improve student readiness and performance, ensure high-quality teachers, increase graduation rates, and expand options for students through digital education and school choice. The second priority, *economic development and job creation*, aligns with objectives to prepare students for careers; offer more technical education opportunities; and prepare students for careers in high-demand areas. The third priority, *maintaining an affordable cost of living in Florida*, aligns with objectives to maintain accountability, affordability, and resource management.

Governor's Priorities	STATUTORY	STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – FLORIDA DEPARTMENT	T OF EDUCATION
FRIORITIES	EDUCATION GOALS	OBJECTIVES	MAJOR DELIVERY PROGRAM
Priority 1: Improving Education • World Class Education	Goal 1: Highest Student Achievement	 Improve kindergarten readiness. Increase percentage of students performing at grade level. Increase student participation and performance in accelerated course options. Increase percentage of effective and highly effective teachers. Reduce the number of out-of-field teachers. Increase percentage of charter school students performing at grade level. Improve charter school performance. Ensure that Supplemental Educational Services providers are high-performing. Improve college readiness and success in the Florida 	Prekindergarten Education K-12 Education Florida Colleges State Board of Education
Priority 2:	Goal 2: Seamless Articulation and Maximum Access Goal 3:	 2A. Increase high school graduation rates. 2B. Improve college readiness of high school graduates. 2C. Expand digital education. 2D. Increase percentage of effective and highly effective teachers at high-minority, high-poverty, and low-performing schools. 2E. Reduce the number of out-of-field teachers at high-minority, high-poverty, and low-performing schools. 2F. Expand school choice for students. 2G. Maintain affordability and access. 2H. Facilitate provision of developmental services to blind and visually impaired children. 	Florida Colleges Private Colleges and Universities State Universities Student Financial Assistance
Economic Development and Job Creation • Job Growth/Retention • Reduce Taxes • Regulatory Reform • Phase-out Corporate Income Tax	Skilled Workforce and Economic Development	 3A. Expand STEM-related educational opportunities in high-demand areas. 3B. Increase career and technical education opportunities for high school graduates. 3C. Improve school district and Florida College System adult education program student performance. 3D. Increase the percentage of teachers who were mathematics and science majors. 3E. Prepare students for careers. 3F. Increase employment outcomes for VR customers. 3G. Increase employment outcomes for blind services customers. 	Career and Adult Education Florida Colleges Private Colleges and Universities State Universities Vocational Rehabilitation
Priority 3: Maintaining Affordable Cost of Living • Accountability Budgeting • Reduce Government Spending • Reduce Taxes • Phase-out Corporate Income Tax	Goal 4: Quality Efficient Services	 4A. Design and implement K-20 education accountability processes. 4B. Implement an integrated education performance management system. 4C. Align resources with strategic goals. 	Blind Services State Board of Education

TRENDS AND CONDITIONS

Offering Florida students a world-class education is an investment in the future of Florida's economy. Education is the key to success for all Florida's students and, ultimately, to Florida's economy. The creation and maintenance of a world-class education system is necessary to prepare the talented youth required to generate new ideas and attract businesses to Florida. With Florida's students fully prepared for the future, our state will be well positioned to compete successfully in the global economy.

Florida's education system is focused on expanding opportunities for learners at every level. The state's education delivery system serves more than 3.5 million public school students, 4,200 public schools, 28 colleges, 188,000 educators, 47,000 college professors and administrators, and 318,000 full-time staff throughout the state. A national leader in school choice options, in 2012-13 Florida was home to more than 575 charter schools, 490 magnet schools and programs, and 240 career academies.

Florida's K-20 education system is regarded as one of the most progressive systems in the nation. For more than a decade, Florida has been involved in comprehensive education reform initiatives that are yielding remarkable student achievement gains and increased accountability for outcomes. In 2011-12, Florida's fourth graders ranked second in the world, just behind fourth graders in Hong Kong, on an international reading assessment. *US News & World Report* included 3 Florida schools in its list of top 10 magnet high schools for 2013 and 4 Florida charter schools in its list of top 100 charter schools. *Newsweek's* "America's Best High Schools" list included 4 Florida high schools in the nation's top 10 high schools for 2013, with all 4 schools boasting graduation rates and college-bound graduation rates of 99 percent or more. For the eleventh year in a row, the Florida College System (FCS) ranks among the top associate degree producers in the nation according to a 2013 report released by *Community College Week*.

The Florida Department of Education is responsible for promoting and sustaining a well integrated, high-quality, lifelong learning system for Florida under the direction of the State Board of Education, pursuant to s. 1001.20(1), F.S. The department plans, administers, and delivers programs and services through the Office of the Commissioner of Education and seven agency divisions. The Office of the Commissioner provides leadership and state-level administration, planning, and direction for major priorities and policy development. The divisions provide technical assistance, support services, and program delivery at the local level. For purposes of long-range planning and legislative budget requests, the department's major programs are:

- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Blind Services
- Private Colleges and Universities
- Student Financial Assistance
- Prekindergarten Education
- K-12 Education
- Career and Adult Education
- Florida Colleges
- State Board of Education

Vocational Rehabilitation

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) assists eligible individuals with disabilities who require rehabilitation services to prepare for, enter, engage in, or retain employment (Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and Chapter 413, F.S.). Both federal and state guidelines are followed in administering the vocational program. A person's eligibility to participate in the program is determined using federal guidelines. Three eligibility criteria are that an individual (1) must have a physical or mental impairment to employment, (2) can benefit in terms of an employment outcome from receiving VR services, and (3) requires VR services to prepare for, retain, or regain employment.

Demographic and Economic Overview

The 2008-2010 American Community Survey (ACS) three-year estimates show that there were 2,334,400 individuals with disabilities residing in Florida. This represents 12.7 percent of the state's population. Forty-eight percent (48%) of this population is male and 52 percent is female.

According to three-year estimates in the 2008-2010 ACS, 9.8 percent of working-age people (ages 21 to 64) in Florida report having a disability. Specifically, 1,097,268 of these 11,222,500 individuals, ages 21 to 64, reported one or more disabilities. These 1,097,268 working-age adults with an employment disability may qualify for vocational rehabilitation services; however, as expected, this number far exceeds VR's service capacity.

In the ACS estimates referenced above, there are 428,791 Floridians with disabilities 16 years or older employed in the labor force. This equates to approximately 19.5 percent of the 2,204,297 individuals reporting an employment status. When combined, 51.6 percent of the occupations held by this reference group are in service (23.3%) or sales and office (28.3%) occupations. Another 26.4 percent of the jobs held by this group are occupations in management, business, science, and arts. Estimates indicate that 12.2 percent of the jobs held are in production, transportation, and material moving occupations, while 9.8 percent are in natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations.

In the ACS, over 500,000 individuals with disabilities, age 16 and older, reported earnings. The median earnings for this group were \$18,794. Florida VR measures the projected average annual salary at placement. At the end of fiscal year 2012, the average was \$17,294 (Performance Based Program Budgeting Report, June 2012).

Florida's unemployment rate continues to decline. As of March 2013, Florida's unemployment rate was reported as 7.5 percent. It decreased 1.9 percent below the rate for the period ending December 31, 2011. According to Florida's Office of Economic and Demographic Research, the current rate of 7.5 percent equates to approximately 706,000 individuals not working. Information also shows that Florida's unemployment rate is now slightly lower than the national average of 7.6 percent. As of March 2013, Hendry County was the only Florida county with an unemployment rate in double digits (10.0 percent).

Current Statewide Needs Assessment Results

Federal regulations require that public VR programs and state rehabilitation councils work collaboratively to identify the employment-related needs of individuals with disabilities

residing in their states. During State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2011 (to include 2010-2011), VR completed the required needs assessment. The results were used to strategically plan and develop goals for SFY 2013 and beyond. Research methods used to gather information about the needs for individuals with disabilities in Florida included: focus groups, stakeholder interviews, surveys of customers and staff, and secondary data analysis. Following are summary results from these methods:

• Focus Groups Results

A minimum of seven focus groups were conducted, with a total of 44 individuals, categorized as "most significantly disabled," participating in the focus groups. Because of the small sample size, the results cannot be generalized statistically to the entire population of Floridians with disabilities. Nevertheless, the results do provide insight about the needs of individuals with disabilities.

The focus group participants offered a range of needs and supports that would assist them in getting and keeping a job. The two most important service needs identified were schooling and job skills/knowledge.

• Stakeholder Interview Results

VR conducted 17 key stakeholder interviews. Interview results revealed that customers and counselors needed better information about the opportunities and resources that are available in local job markets. Employers need information about the benefits of hiring individuals with disabilities.

VR programs are to identify groups that may be underserved or unserved in their systems. Results from the stakeholder interviews suggest that underserved groups in Florida VR are individuals with mental health or cognitive impairments (particularly the former group). Unserved groups were identified as individuals on the Order of Selection waitlist.

• Customer and VR Field Staff Survey Results

In April 2011, mail surveys were sent to 4,000 active and closed VR customers from the most recent 12-month period. A total of 680 usable surveys were returned and analyzed, yielding a 17 percent response rate. An online survey was sent to 630 VR field staff, to which 401 individuals responded (280 individuals completed the entire survey). This resulted in a 69.8 percent completion rate. The field staff survey was made available to area directors, all VR counseling staff, VR technicians, and staff interpreters/translators.

Table 1 shows how customers and field staff rated the importance of services to individuals with disabilities in finding a job. In the rankings, one is most important and six is least important. There was relatively little difference in the rankings of customers and field staff.

Services Important to Finding A Job	Customer Rank	Field Staff Rank
Help finding a job	1	1
Training for a new job	2	2
Support from a job coach	4	3
Help paying for books, supplies, and training materials	3	4
A computer, software, or related material	5	5
Tutoring	6	6

Table 1: Customer and VR Field Staff Survey Results

Vocational Rehabilitation's Vision, Mission, and Goals

<u>Vision</u>

To be the first place people with disabilities turn when seeking employment and a top resource for employers in need of qualified employees.

<u>Mission</u>

To help people with disabilities find and maintain employment, and enhance their independence.

Strategic Goals

Strategic Goal 1:Improve Customer Service and SatisfactionStrategic Goal 2:Improve Employee Development and Workplace EnvironmentStrategic Goal 3:Improve Vocational Rehabilitation Support Infrastructure

General Program Performance

During SFY 2012 (2011-12), VR had an average of 55,035 individuals in active status. Under both federal and state regulations, the vocational rehabilitation program must give priority to serving clients with significant and most significant disabilities. Of the 6,071 individuals placed into gainful employment, 98.6 percent (5,988) were categorized as significantly or most significantly disabled. The projected average annual earnings of VR customers who had been placed in jobs for the SFY 2012 were \$17,286, compared to the legislative standard of \$17,500. This represents a slight decrease from the SFY 2010-11 earnings of \$17,597.

Florida Rehabilitation Council

The Florida Rehabilitation Council (FRC) works in strategic partnership with VR to develop and agree to policies consistent with federal and state law, to ensure best practices, and to promote economic independence for persons with disabilities. The FRC submits an annual progress report to the Governor of Florida, the Commissioner of the United States Department of Education, the Rehabilitation Services Administration, the Florida Senate President, the Florida Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Florida Commissioner of Education.

As part of its responsibilities, the FRC monitors the effectiveness of the VR program. This is done by contracting with Florida State University to conduct two independent surveys. The first survey evaluates satisfaction levels of customers whose cases are active. The second evaluates customers whose cases have been closed (i.e., successfully and unsuccessfully rehabilitated). During Federal Fiscal Year 2012, the overall satisfaction rate reported for active and closed cases was approximately 75 percent. The FRC facilitates coordination of activities with other agencies and partners of VR to ensure the effective use of resources in a collaborative manner to maximize the access to employment opportunities for persons with disabilities.

Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services

During the 2012 legislative session, CS/HB 5203 (Ch. 2012-135, L.O.F.) was enacted, transferring the statutory duties and responsibilities of the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services (BRRS) to the Department of Financial Services (DFS), along with

corresponding budget reductions in the General Appropriations Act. Specifically, the legislation transferred the responsibilities under s. 440.491, Florida F.S., to the DFS, including the provision of reemployment services (RES) to injured workers covered under the Florida Workers Compensation Act. This represents a reduction of 27 BRRS positions and eliminates funding for the RES program within the Department of Education. As required, the Bureau was abolished effective July 1, 2012, and the responsibilities have been successfully transferred to DFS.

Adults with Disabilities Grant Program

VR also administers the Department of Education's Adults with Disabilities Grant Program. The mission of the program is to support and enhance the educational and recreational opportunities for Floridians with disabilities who may not have employment as a goal and/or senior citizens with disabilities by providing programs that enhance the individual's quality of life, health and well-being, or lifelong learning. To achieve this mission, grants are awarded to 40 school districts and 10 Florida state colleges.

Benchmarks for each individual are established based on the individual's needs and goals. During the program year, each student is expected to enhance his or her quality of life, health, well-being, and/or lifelong learning skills by achieving at least two identified benchmarks. These grants also include reading components to help improve the individual's literacy. In 2012-13, more than 13,000 Floridians with disabilities were successfully served in these education-related activities.

Blind Services

Vision, Mission and Goals

The goals and objectives for the Division of Blind Services (DBS) are logical outcomes of both state and federal mandates (Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and Chapter 413, F.S.). The division's program and functional objectives are to obtain employment outcomes and maximize independence and integration into the community for blind or visually impaired individuals of all ages. Therefore, the scope of the division's programs and its major activities must be to meet the needs of families with infants who are blind, students making the transition from school to work, working-age individuals who are blind, and older adults who face age-related blindness.

<u>Vision</u>

In partnership with others, create a barrier-free environment in the lives of Floridians with visual disabilities.

<u>Mission</u>

To ensure blind and visually impaired Floridians have the tools, support, and opportunity to achieve success.

Primary Strategic Goals

1. Create an environment that provides job opportunities for visually impaired and blind Floridians.

- 2. Create a service delivery system that provides comprehensive services to visually impaired and blind Floridians.
- 3. Create an environment that fosters an exemplary division workforce.
- 4. Create a well managed and accountable organization that ensures high quality.

Table 2 briefly describes the legal mandates for the division and cites the authority for these policies.

Table 2:	Division of	Blind	Services	Mandates	and	Authority
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	MANDATES / POLICIES	AUTHORITY
	are the greatest possible efficiency and effectiveness of services to iduals who are blind:	Chapter 413, F.S.
a.	Aid individuals who are blind in gaining employment, including the provision of job training, per s. 413.011(2), F.S., and s. 413.011(3)(p), F.S.;	
b.	Provide independent living training so individuals who are blind can benefit from their community in the same manner as their sighted peers, per s. 413.011(3)(e), F.S.;	
C.	Provide library service to the blind and other physically disabled persons as defined in federal law and regulations in carrying out any or all of the provisions of this law, per s. 413.011(3)(h), F.S., and s. 413.011(3)(t), F.S.; and	
d.	Promote the employment of eligible blind persons, including the training and licensing of such persons as operators of vending facilities on public property, per s. 413.041, F.S., and s. 413.051, F.S.	
child	and the specialized early intervention services for visually impaired ren, birth through age 5, and their families on a statewide basis, per s. 092, F.S.	Chapter 413, F.S.
	individuals who are blind toward gaining employment, including the ision of job training.	Title I, Rehabilitation Act, as Amended (CFR 34 Part 361)
	e children who are blind from age 5 through transition to the Vocational abilitation Program, per s. 413.011(5), F.S.	Chapter 413, F.S.
	ide independent living training so individuals who are blind can benefit their community in the same manner as their sighted peers.	Title VII, Rehabilitation Act, as Amended (CFR 34 Part 361-367)
and prop	-	The Randolph-Sheppard Vending Stand Act (PL 74-732) and 34 CFR Part 395
stand	ide Braille and talking-book reading materials in compliance with the dards set forth by the National Library Service for the Blind and sically Handicapped.	Pratt-Smoot Act (PL 89- 522)

Programs

DBS programs provide valuable training to assist individuals who are blind, as well as those with usable but diminished vision. Blindness and diminished vision (often called low vision) can lead to developmental delays for babies, poor performance in school, reduced earnings in the workforce, and difficulty for seniors seeking maximum independence.

In partnership with community rehabilitation providers, DBS provides services through a combination of state, federal, and community funding. In addition, DBS works

collaboratively with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), the Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services (BEESS), and other community agencies. All services are developed for individuals based on their particular needs.

Four major program functions were developed to meet the diverse needs of individuals who are blind or visually impaired:

- 1. Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, and independent living services; and provide job placement assistance to DBS customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation engineering services to employers of DBS customers.
- 2. Provide food service vending training, work experience, and licensing.
- 3. Facilitate the provision of developmental services to blind and visually impaired children.
- 4. Provide Braille and recorded publications services.

Blind or severely visually-impaired individuals of any age are served by the following programs:

- Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program: Assists individuals who are blind or visually impaired to gain, maintain, or retain employment. A plan is developed for each individual to provide the education, training, equipment, and skills needed for success. Services are provided by DBS vocational rehabilitation counselors, local community rehabilitation providers, the DBS Rehabilitation Center, and when additional education is needed, through sponsorship of training at vocational schools and colleges.
- Independent Living Adult Program: Enables individuals who are blind or visually impaired to live independently in their homes and communities with the maximum degree of self-direction. Services are available to adults regardless of their circumstances due to poor vision affecting both eyes. Training is needed for activities that are necessary for independence.
- **Children's Program:** Facilitates children who are blind or visually impaired in participating fully within family, community, and educational settings and ensuring development to full potential. The program assists school-age children who have visual impairments to meet current and future challenges. A DBS children's specialist works with the child, parents, school district, and other professionals to provide guidance, information, advocacy, and special opportunities throughout the child's elementary and middle-school years to promote readiness for high school.
- Blind Babies Program: Provides community-based, early-intervention education to children from birth to age 5 who are blind or visually impaired, and to their parents and families, through community-based provider organizations. The goals of the program are to minimize delays in development and prepare the child for independence and successful education.
- Bureau of Business Enterprise (BBE): The BBE provides employment opportunities in food vending service for disabled and nondisabled populations. Individuals who want to apply to independently operate a food service or vending location must meet stringent requirements to be accepted into the program. For the State Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013, this program comprised 133 Facility Managers (vendors) employing a total of 196 people (includes people who are visually impaired or have other disabilities, and nondisabled individuals). Taxable gross sales generated a total of \$18.6 million.

- Braille and Talking Book Library: Provides books, magazines, newsletters, movies, newspapers, and necessary equipment in accessible formats (audio, Braille, and large print) for customers who are certified as eligible as defined by the standards of the National Library Service of the Library of Congress.
- Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired: The residential facility in Daytona Beach offers a variety of services to clients on a statewide basis, including assessment and counseling, training in independent living skills, and vocational training. Participants attend an intensive five-day-a-week program to learn independent living, employability, and computer skills. Clients of DBS's Vocational Rehabilitation Program have the option to attend the center when it is suited to their needs and desires.

Trends

The division continues to examine key outcomes for each identified program. A few general trends cross all areas:

- There is a need for more awareness, including public awareness, employer awareness, and prospective clients' awareness.
- There are a limited number of partnerships to assist in the delivery of services (e.g., community rehabilitation programs to provide services to children from birth to age 5, reduction of sub-regional library network). Thus, there is a need to strengthen existing partnerships and develop additional partnerships.
- There is a need to recruit, maintain, and train qualified staff, and to standardize paraprofessional and support positions across the state.
- As the median age of Floridians increases, so does the number of people who develop diminished vision and eye diseases. According to the American Federation of the Blind's *2013 Report on Aging and Vision Loss*, this trend is "expected to continue to grow significantly as the baby boom generation continues to age." This may result in an increase in people over the age of 50 requesting assistive devices and training from DBS to maintain their independence.
- Due to present economic challenges at the state and national level, the Vocational Rehabilitation and Business Enterprise Programs are challenged to increase client job placements.
- DBS, in conjunction with the department's Office of Digital Learning and BEES, works with digital education providers to share best practices and guidance. The end result will support successful development and continuous improvement of digital course content for students who are blind or visually impaired, which will help them to succeed in life.

There currently are no task forces or studies in progress. Internally, the DBS periodically contracts for studies required under its federal funding source.

Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind

The Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind (FRCB) works in partnership with the DBS to develop goals and priorities of the vocational rehabilitation program, to evaluate effectiveness of the program, and to analyze consumer satisfaction. The FRCB consists of 20 members who are appointed by the governor, with the majority being blind or visually impaired.

Private Colleges and Universities

Florida is committed to improving student opportunities for higher learning by coordinating the efforts of all education sectors to facilitate progress toward a degree. Private colleges and universities play an important role in achieving this goal by increasing postsecondary access to Florida residents and providing training in select disciplines and high-demand programs that are important to the state. Further, programs at Florida's three historically black private colleges promote increased student access to higher education, retention, and graduation.

Independent colleges and universities that have academic contracts and student grant programs funded in the General Appropriations Act are under the purview of the Office of Student Financial Assistance, pursuant to s. 1005.06(1)(c), F.S. The 32 colleges and universities are identified by having their students eligible for the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant (FRAG), a tuition equalization program for eligible Florida residents who attend a college that meets criteria in s. 1009.89(3), F.S.

These colleges and universities are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, serving more than 135,000 students at over 108 sites throughout the state. They offer programs at the main campuses, at satellite sites in communities, online, and at Florida colleges. In addition to FRAG, some of the institutions also receive state funds for various academic program contracts that include tuition assistance for students enrolled in specified programs, research, and community outreach in specified areas. Specific appropriations are also made to three historically black colleges and universities to boost their access, retention, and graduation efforts, and for library resources. Table 3 lists the 2013-14 grants to the private colleges and universities.

INSTITUTION	PROGRAM
Barry University	Nursing, Bachelor of ScienceSocial Work, Master of Social Work
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University	Aerospace Academy
Florida Institute of Technology	Enhanced Programs
Historically Black Colleges and Universities	 Bethune-Cookman University Edward Waters College Florida Memorial University Library Resources
Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM)/Bradenton Health Programs	Osteopathic MedicinePharmacy
Nova Southeastern University	Speech Pathology, Master of ScienceOsteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing
University of Miami	Institute for Cuban and Cuban American Studies

Table 3: Private Colleges and Universities Grant	s
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Student Financial Assistance

The Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) in the Division of Finance and Operations administers state and federally funded programs that increase access to postsecondary education for Florida's students. State scholarship and grant programs provide funds to students who may not otherwise be able to afford a college education, thus providing students with the opportunity to pursue careers in technical and academic fields of their choice. OSFA is committed to aligning resources with strategic goals as outlined in two of the department's statutory goals: (1) Seamless Articulation and Maximum Access, and (2) Quality Efficient Services.

In addition to administering the scholarship, grant, and loan programs authorized and funded in law each year, OSFA provides numerous outreach activities to promote program awareness and assist administrators at secondary and postsecondary institutions. The mission of OSFA is to facilitate higher education access and services by providing exemplary customer attention, comprehensive financial aid information, and convenient and efficient products. The office works closely with Florida's students, parents, and educators to provide information and products to facilitate student access to higher education.

Florida's merit-based student scholarship programs include:

• Bright Futures Scholarship Program: Provides scholarships on the basis of high school academic achievement and is Florida's largest merit-based award program. The program offers three levels of scholarship awards – the Florida Academic Scholars award, the Florida Medallion Scholars award, and the Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award.

Florida's need-based student scholarship and grant programs include the following:

- First Generation Matching Grant Program: Provides grant funding to Florida resident undergraduate students enrolled at state universities and Florida state colleges who demonstrate financial need, and whose parents have not earned baccalaureate degrees.
- Florida Public Postsecondary Career Education Student Assistance Grant Program: Provides assistance to eligible Florida residents who demonstrate financial need and enroll in certificate programs of 450 or more clock hours or 15 semester hours at participating Florida state colleges or career centers operated by district school boards.
- Florida Student Assistance Grant Program: Florida's largest need-based grant program provides assistance to degree-seeking, resident, undergraduate students who demonstrate financial need and are enrolled in eligible public or private postsecondary institutions.
- Florida Work Experience Program: Provides eligible Florida resident undergraduate students the opportunity to secure work experiences that complement and reinforce their educational programs and career goals.

- José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund: Provides scholarship assistance to Hispanic-American students who meet scholastic requirements and demonstrate financial need.
- Mary McLeod Bethune Scholarship Program: Provides scholarship assistance to undergraduate students who meet academic requirements, demonstrate financial need, and attend Bethune-Cookman University, Edward Waters College, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, or Florida Memorial University.
- **Rosewood Family Scholarship Fund:** Provides scholarship assistance to direct descendants of Rosewood families affected by the incidents of January 1923 to attend full-time at eligible state universities, Florida state colleges, or public postsecondary vocational technical schools.

Florida's special interest scholarship and grant programs include:

- Minority Teacher Education Scholarship Program/Florida Fund for Minority Teachers: Provides scholarship funding for African-American, Hispanic-American, Asian-American, and Native-American students who demonstrate the potential to become good teachers.
- Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness Program: Provides loan reimbursement to eligible nurses to increase employment and retention in specified facilities.
- Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans: Provides scholarships for dependent children or unremarried spouses of Florida veterans or servicemembers: (1) who died as a result of service-connected injuries, diseases, or disabilities sustained while on active duty, or (2) who have been certified by the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs as having service-connected 100 percent permanent and total disabilities.

Florida's tuition assistance programs include:

- Access to Better Learning and Education Grant Program: Provides tuition assistance to full-time Florida undergraduate students enrolled in degree programs at eligible private Florida colleges or universities.
- William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant: Provides tuition assistance to full-time Florida undergraduate students enrolled in degree programs at eligible private, non-profit Florida colleges or universities.

Prekindergarten Education

Through an amendment to the state constitution in 2002, Florida voters mandated that "every four-year old child in Florida shall be provided by the State a high-quality prekindergarten learning opportunity in the form of an early childhood development and education program which shall be voluntary, high-quality, free and delivered according to professionally accepted standards." The Florida Legislature subsequently enacted legislation to implement the Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program.

Statutory responsibilities for the day-to-day management of the VPK program, creation of standards, curriculum approval, and accountability are assigned to the Office of Early Learning (OEL), within the Department of Education's Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice. Licensing and credentialing are assigned to the Department of Children and Families (DCF). Both agencies work closely together to provide leadership and support to the local early learning coalitions, school districts, and public and private providers to ensure the successful implementation of effective prekindergarten education programs for Florida's 4-year-olds. The collaborative efforts resulted in opportunities such as the following for VPK educators and parents during 2012-2013.

- 9,203 VPK teachers/directors participated in standards training,
- 7,295 VPK teachers/directors participated in VPK emergent literacy standards training,
- 2,299 VPK directors participated in an online VPK director course,
- 6,052 VPK teachers/directors participated in Language and Vocabulary in the VPK Classroom training, and
- 2,650 VPK teachers/directors participated in English Language Learners in the VPK Classroom training.

This preparation is paying off. VPK graduates have outperformed their kindergarten peers who did not participate in VPK in general readiness skill areas, recognizing letters of the alphabet, and phonemic awareness – all critical building blocks for future success in reading. Kindergarten readiness is measured by the Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener (FLKRS), which is composed of a subset of the Early Childhood Observational System (ECHOS[™]) and the Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading (FAIR) kindergarten measures, including letter naming and phonemic awareness.

More than 175,000 or about 80 percent of all 4-year-olds in Florida attended the VPK program in the 2011-12 program year. Kindergarteners were better prepared for school in 2012-13 as a result of their participation in a VPK program. Children who completed VPK in the 2011-12 program year performed better on the Florida Kindergarten Readiness Screener when compared to children who did not participate. Additionally, children who only attended a portion of a VPK program outperformed students who had no exposure to the program at all. On the basis of kindergarten screening results, the following findings were reported:

• 79.4 percent of 2011-12 VPK completers were "ready for kindergarten" on both state measures compared to 55.0 percent of non-VPK participants, and of children who only attended a portion of the VPK program, 64.0 percent screened ready on both measures.

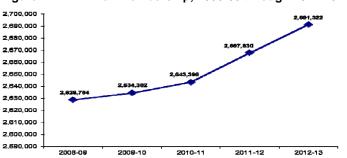
The 2013 Florida Legislature passed important early learning legislation. Designed to improve quality and bring more accountability and transparency to the state's early learning programs, Chapter 2013-252, LOF (House Bill 7165), moved Florida's Office of Early Learning into the Department of Education's Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice. The bill consolidated the duties and responsibilities that had been handled by the Department of Education's Bureau of Voluntary Prekindergarten into OEL, which now administers the state's VPK Program, School Readiness Program, and Child Care Resource and Referral Services Program. OEL's Executive Director reports directly to the Commissioner of Education.

K-12 Education

The Division of Public Schools has statutory responsibility for the coordination of Florida's kindergarten through grade 12 public education programs. The division provides leadership to ensure a high-quality educational experience for Florida's diverse public school population and provides teachers and principals the training and tools they need to increase student achievement. Information and services provided by the staff help Florida remain a national leader in curriculum, instruction, student services, student achievement, virtual education, and educator quality.

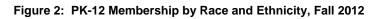
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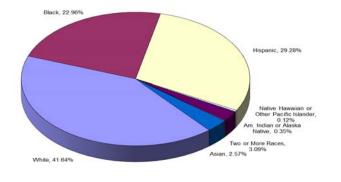
As shown in Figure 1, the fall 2012 total prekindergarten through grade 12 student membership was 2,691,322 for Florida's public schools. When compared to the fall 2008 membership of 2,628,754, the fall 2012 membership showed an increase of 62,568 students or 2.38 percent. During the past school year (2010-2011 to 2012-13), more than half (38) of Florida's 67 regular school districts experienced an increase in membership. Among Florida's 67 regular districts, Miami-Dade County had the largest membership (354,236 students), while Jefferson County had the smallest membership (1,039 students).





During the last 30 years, minority student populations have grown substantially in Florida's public schools. Beginning with the school year 2003-04, enrollment for minority students exceeded the white student enrollment. This continued growth has been accompanied by shifts in the demographic composition of the most densely populated counties in south Florida, along with continuing growth in minority student populations in other urban areas of the state. Figure 2 below shows state-level student membership distribution by race and ethnicity for the 2012-13 school year.





Twenty-three of Florida's 67 school districts had minority enrollments of more than 50 percent in the 2012-13 school year (see Table 4).

School District	Percent Minority	School District	Percent Minority
Gadsden	96.63%	Duval	61.46%
Miami-Dade	91.96%	St. Lucie	61.33%
Jefferson	77.29%	Glades	60.34%
Hendry	77.09%	DeSoto	57.34%
Broward	75.05%	Hamilton	55.72%
Osceola	73.02%	Polk	54.87%
Orange	69.50%	Alachua	54.33%
Hardee	67.34%	Leon	54.26%
Palm Beach	64.99%	Lee	53.59%
Madison	63.09%	Highlands	53.02%
Hillsborough	62.33%	Escambia	50.48%
Collier	61.86%		

 Table 4: School Districts with Greater than 50 Percent Minority Enrollment, Fall 2012

Florida's K-12 education program embraces the diversity of the state's public school membership by putting students at the center and focusing on their individual learning from kindergarten through college. Programs and services are designed to support schools, districts, and families in their efforts to maximize student learning gains and reach highest student achievement through rigorous and relevant learning opportunities, with a focus on student success and continuous improvement.

Race to the Top Grant – A Comprehensive Approach to Education Reform

In August 2010, Florida was named a winner in the Race to the Top (RTTT) competition, securing \$700 million in federal funds to revolutionize the state's education system. The four-year grant focuses on dramatically improving academic performance, providing assistance to the most struggling schools, enriching and expanding technology and data systems, and ensuring all students have access to highly effective teachers and leaders. The grant has four major goals for student achievement:

- Double the percentage of incoming high school freshmen who ultimately graduate from high school, go on to college, and achieve at least a year's worth of college credit;
- Cut the achievement gap in half by 2015;
- Increase the percentage of students scoring at or above proficient on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) by 2015, to or beyond the performance levels of the highest performing states; and
- Reduce the percentage of students scoring non-proficient on statewide assessments by half, by 2017.

Building upon the annual strategic planning process, Florida conducted a specific gap analysis to identify areas for accelerated improvement that could be addressed in its RTTT grant. The gap analysis was conducted by reviewing each of the four core education reform areas specified in the federal legislation, examining previous reforms, identifying existing gaps, and then creating an initiative or strategy to address the gap. Florida's RTTT grant includes projects across the major reform assurance areas shown in Table 5 on the following page.

REFORM AREA	PROJECTS
Teacher Effectiveness and Compensation	 Development of a Value-Added Growth Model is under contract and will be used to implement provisions of the state's Student Success Act (SB 736) related to student performance and teacher effectiveness, as well as reforms under RTTT. Revisions and implementation of educator evaluation systems based on a student growth model for implementation during the 2011-12 school year. Educator preparation programs enhanced to include job-embedded and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) initiatives. Redesign the approval requirements for educator preparation programs to focus on outputs, not process. Continue Florida Teacher Certification Exam revisions to align to Next Generation and the Florida Plan standards, including STEM content areas.
Standards and Assessments	 Florida Plan standards in English/language arts and mathematics implementation through provision of support tools for teachers and students. Interim assessment item bank in core subject areas and Spanish for districts to develop examinations.
Data Systems	 Provide single sign-on access by school districts to department resources. Develop and publish minimum standards for Local Instructional Improvement Systems.
Turning Around the Lowest Achieving Schools	 Provide STEM, reading, career/technical, and data experts in regional offices to work directly with low-achieving schools. Expand career and technical education programs. Facilitate recruitment of highly effective teachers. Recruit and train new turnaround principals and assistant principals. Partner with national charter school funding organizations to establish new charter schools in feeder patterns of low-performing high schools. Establish a community compact to increase attendance, family literacy, and parent involvement in communities with low-achieving schools.

Successful implementation of the grant and projects associated with the grant requires the cooperation of school boards and teacher unions in each participating school district (65 in Florida). To implement the reforms, the department is involved in a significant procurement and contract process for approximately 60 projects. Eight implementation committees representing stakeholders provide input and guide decisions.

Florida's RTTT grant reflects a natural extension, alignment, and deepening of the State Board of Education's strategic plan specifying goals and objectives for the state's public schools and Florida College System institutions. Although Florida's education reform efforts did not start with RTTT, the secured funding is helping to accelerate the academic progress of students, provide assistance to low-performing schools, and develop a system that properly recognizes and rewards the state's hardest working teachers.

Florida's College and Career Ready Standards

Florida's student performance standards are crafted to define the knowledge and skills students should have within their K-12 education careers so they graduate high school able to succeed in entry-level, credit-bearing academic college courses and workforce training programs. The college and career ready standards provide clear educational standards, while allowing local districts and schools the flexibility needed to deliver high-quality instruction in the classroom. The standards, which are not to be confused with curriculum or instruction, are designed to ensure that all students, regardless of demography, graduate high school prepared to enter college or the workforce. The standards are designed to:

- Align with college and work expectations;
- Be clear, understandable, and consistent;
- Include rigorous content and application of knowledge through high-order skills;
- Build upon strengths and lessons of current state standards;
- Be informed by other top-performing countries; and
- Be grounded in research and evidence.

The State Board of Education officially adopted standards for English/Language Arts and Mathematics in July 2010. The approval not only strengthens Florida's curriculum standards in these critical subjects, but it lays the groundwork for the comparison of Florida's academic progress with the nation and the world. The department strongly supports the full implementation of the state college and career ready standards in the 2014-15 school year and is focused on providing local districts the support needed for a successful transition.

A Continued Emphasis on Reading

The Just Read, Florida! Office in the Division of Public Schools reported that the following progress was made in teacher preparation during the 2012-13 school year:

- During the summer of 2013, 10,001 teachers, reading coaches, and administrators from all but one district were trained in the state standards adopted by the State Board of education for:
 - English Language Arts Implementation for Grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-12; and
 - Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science, and Technical Subjects Implementation for Grades 6-12.
- As of August 2013, 24,621 teachers have earned their Reading Endorsement, certifying them as highly qualified reading teachers.
- Just Read, Florida! staff trained university peer review groups to conduct reviews of college and university teacher preparation reading programs to ensure that teacher candidates graduate with a deep knowledge of scientifically based reading instruction. Approximately 500 programs will be reviewed and revised over a two-year period.
- Just Read, Florida! staff assists districts with refining their Comprehensive K-12 Reading Plans to ensure teachers are implementing best practices in reading.
- As of August 2013, the Just Read, Florida! staff has conducted professional development in 57 of 75 districts. This professional development has addressed implementation of Florida's standards, the Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading, and Next Generation Content Area Reading Professional Development (NG-CARPD).
- As of August 2013, approximately 858 master trainers for NG-CARPD are providing professional development for content area teachers in their districts. The training emphasizes comprehension and vocabulary and is aligned with the principles of the the standards adopted by the State Board of Education. Teachers who complete the training may provide reading intervention in the midst of their content courses to students who scored at Level 2 on FCAT 2.0 Reading.

- The Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading (FAIR) training was provided over the course of the year. As of August 2013, there were 6,965 FAIR Master Trainers that conduct FAIR training to ensure teachers and coaches understand how to use the data to better inform instruction.
- Just Read, Florida! staff serves as liaisons on the boards of professional organizations, including the Florida Reading Association, the Secondary Reading Council, and the Florida Council for Teachers of English. These organizations provide support and resources for pre-service and in-service teachers.
- The Florida Reading Initiative, provided through the North East Florida Educational Consortium, provides free professional development in reading annually to educators in 14 small and rural school districts.

Increased Graduation Requirements

New graduation requirements were introduced in 2013 to ensure students are leaving high school better prepared for college or career. High school students are required to pass an end-of-course exam in Algebra 1 to earn a standard diploma. In addition, students must take and pass Geometry, Biology, and U.S. History courses. This includes taking the end-of-course exams in each of these courses, and the results of the exams are included in the students' course grade average. Activities associated with this policy change are realigning the instructional materials adoption process to Florida's college and career ready standards and providing access to a digital curriculum for students in grades 6 through 12.

Beginning in 2013-14, students may also earn a scholar designation on their high school diploma if they pass the Algebra 1, Biology, U.S. History, and (when implemented) Algebra 2 end-of-course exams; and earn course credits in higher-level math and science courses, a college credit-bearing course, and foreign language courses.

Virtual Education

Florida has led the way with groundbreaking legislation that makes online education possible and fundable. For over a decade, online learning has been a major component of important reforms in Florida's state education system and an important strategy for achieving the state's ambitious educational goals. Florida's successful RTTT application incorporated online education as a strategy for increasing instructional rigor, promoting college readiness, improving the availability of excellent teachers, and helping turn around low-performing schools.

The Florida Legislature initially funded the Florida Virtual School (FLVS) as a grant-based pilot project in 1997, pioneering Florida's first Internet-based public high school. The school has grown phenomenally, allowing students to learn at any time, any place, and any pace. As shown in Figure 3, FLVS grew from 77 half-credit or semester completions in 1997-98 to over 410,962 student completions in 2012-13. The fully accredited school, which has grown into the largest state virtual school in the nation, offers more than 120 middle and high school courses that are taught by over 1,800 Florida-certified teachers. In 2012-13, the Florida Virtual School enrolled more than 5,300 students and concluded its second year of operation with the graduation of approximately 250 seniors.

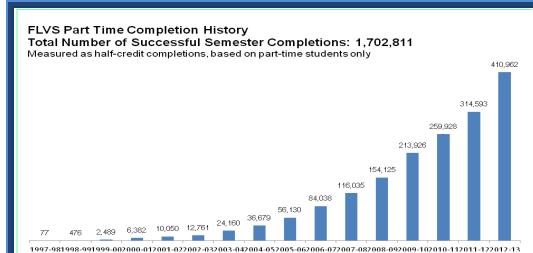


Figure 3: FLVS Part-Time Completion History

The number of districts operating franchises of FLVS has also grown dramatically over the last several years – from 8 in 2008-09 to 56 districts and 2 laboratory schools in 2013-14. In 2012-13, students successfully completed 42,623 half-credit or semester courses through district franchises, up from 33,243 the previous year. To operate a franchise of FLVS, districts enter into an agreement with FLVS and provide district administrators and teachers for the school. FLVS provides the curriculum, student support, and teacher training and mentoring.

In 2008, the Florida Legislature created the School District Virtual Instruction Program, which dramatically altered the online learning landscape by requiring school districts to offer full-time virtual instruction programs for students in kindergarten through eighth grade. The Florida Legislature amended the program in 2009 to require district full-time online programs to expand coverage through the twelfth grade. In addition to operating their own virtual instruction programs, districts may contract with FLVS, establish a franchise of FLVS, contract with online learning providers approved by the Department, or enter into an agreement with another school district, a Florida college, or a virtual charter school for services. School district virtual instruction programs must participate in the statewide assessment program and in the state's education performance accountability system.

The 2011 Legislature passed the Digital Learning Now Act, which incorporates the 10 elements of high-quality digital learning into state policy. Legislation passed in 2011 and 2012 expanded current virtual education options, created new ones, and to prepare Florida students for 21st century postsecondary education and careers, added an online course requirement for graduation. The legislation expanded state-level virtual options by allowing FLVS to offer full-time virtual education for students in grades K-12 and part-time options for elementary school students. District-level part-time virtual options were also expanded in a number of ways. The part-time program for district virtual instruction programs was expanded to offer more courses at more grade levels and in school districts and to offer individual online courses at all grade levels in addition to other virtual education options. Students from other districts may take these courses if they are not offered in their districts of residence. The 2011 Legislature also authorized full-time virtual charter schools for students in grades K-12. Two virtual charter schools began operation in the Osceola

County School District in 2012-13 and five new virtual charter schools are scheduled to open in 2013-14 in other districts.

The 2013 Legislature continued the expansion of virtual education options by allowing students to take virtual courses from other districts, whether or not the courses are offered in their school districts. In addition, virtual instruction part-time programs can now offer courses in all subjects at all grade levels.

Technology Enhancements

The department is working on different technology enhancements. As part of this effort, several different reporting capabilities will be developed for stakeholder use and to enhance the analysis and evaluation of educational programs and policies. The technology projects will include:

- Consolidating state technology resources;
- Developing and implementing the state technology plan;
- Modernizing the Education Data Warehouse;
- Developing and implementing a centralized user-friendly portal for dashboards and reports; and
- Developing and implementing the Florida Virtual Curriculum Marketplace.

Florida received two Statewide Longitudinal Data System grants that are being used to modernize the Education Data Warehouse. This initiative will support improvements in the access and usability of data through self-service research tools; automate the approval process for data requests; and expand state reporting capabilities, including common definitions across the education sectors. System enhancements will allow stakeholders to more efficiently and accurately manage, analyze, and use student data.

Florida's RTTT grant supports the development and implementation of a centralized userfriendly portal for dashboards and reports. This enhancement to data systems supports education reforms anticipated under the RTTT program and other state initiatives. Several different reporting capabilities will be developed for stakeholder use and to enhance the analysis and evaluation of educational programs and policies.

Differentiated Accountability

In 2008, Florida implemented a new school improvement program, Differentiated Accountability (DA), as a means of reconciling the federal and state accountability systems. Through the program, schools were placed into five improvement categories based on Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and school grade metrics, each associated with specific district requirements, school requirements, and state-level support.

While DA helped to stratify compliance requirements and state-provided support, the results of the DA rubric began to diverge problematically from Florida's school grading system. In many cases, the schools targeted for intervention and support were not the schools receiving the lowest grades. Further complicating matters, ever-increasing AYP performance requirements resulted in little opportunity for schools to successfully emerge from the DA process.

Consequently, the construct of DA was revisited with the authoring of Florida's Race to the Top (RTTT) application in 2010 and its Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Flexibility Request in 2012. Several RTTT projects related to science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM); career and technical education (CTE); literacy; and effective use of data were used to increase the size of the DA field staff, allowing for substantial direct support of DA schools. Policies described in Florida's ESEA Flexibility Request dispensed with the original five DA categories and aligned federal designations for low performing schools to Florida's school grading system.

While there is significant evidence to suggest that DA has been effective in elementary and middle school settings, there exist a number of opportunities for improvement in the current approach to supporting Florida's lowest performing schools:

- Its current premise is, in some cases, self-defeating. By positioning themselves as the "fixers," DA field staff inadvertently shifts the onus of improvement away from the parties who are ultimately charged with obtaining better results—the principal and his or her teachers.
- *It doesn't build systems that last.* When teachers and instructional coaches who have benefited from DA instructional support leave a fragile school (as they often do), the school and the DA team find themselves back where they started.
- *It isn't continuously improving*. DA field staff continues to provide essentially the same types of support offered in 2009.
- *It could be better aligned to departmental priorities* of career and college ready standards implementation, Florida Continuous Improvement Model (FCIM) implementation, and improving operational efficiency.

After a great deal of contemplation of the above factors among Florida's five DA regional executive directors, Bureau of School Improvement (BSI) staff members, district school improvement contacts across Florida, and thought partners from a number of other states, BSI staff came to believe that poor instruction is a symptom of an underperforming school, not the problem. The root cause of school underperformance, they believe, is typically a failure of school and district leadership to *effectively* and *relentlessly* problem-solve *with their teachers* around their unacceptable student outcomes. From this premise was born a new theory of action:

"If we model for school and district leaders how to effectively and relentlessly problem solve with their teachers around their barriers to improved student achievement, we will create with them a culture of high expectations which will lead to improved teacher practice, which will result in improved student outcomes."

The practices of the DA field staff in 2013-14 will shift in a number of significant ways as a consequence of this newly refined theory of action.

- DA field staff will evolve from "fixers" to facilitators of the eight-step problem solving process, keeping the onus of improved student outcomes in the hands of the people who can make a difference—the principal and teachers.
- All aspects of problem solving, action planning, and implementation will be captured in the department's *SIP Online* web application, making the School Improvement Plan (SIP) the guiding document for all DA-related support.

- DA staff will support implementation of Florida's state standards through a modified version of FCIM in those schools that identify lack of familiarity with standards and inability to use data to differentiate instruction as barriers to improved student achievement.
- Because problem solving is by nature a data driven process, DA staff will work to create a common data reporting platform for use in all DA schools that ensures every school has the opportunity to base decisions on accurate, convenient, actionable information.

Improving Educator Quality

Assuring that teachers and administrators in Florida are professionally qualified through evidence-based certification and capable of helping students to expand their knowledge and skills through high-quality instructional opportunities in the public schools is a priority of the department. The State Board of Education designates certification subject areas, establishes competencies and skills, sets certification requirements, and adopts educator/leadership standards to be met by all school-based personnel. Florida requires teacher candidates to pass a series of rigorous examinations prior to the issuance of certificates. They must not only demonstrate their general knowledge in reading, English/language arts (including a written essay), and mathematics; they also must pass an exam of pedagogy (professional education exam) and an exam in the area of their expertise and desired certification. In addition, the teacher certification exams are aligned to the state's curriculum standards for students, the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards, and the standards adopted by the State Board of Education in July 2012.

Barriers to Certification Removed

The Florida certification system continues to require, as a minimum, a bachelor's degree, a full state certificate, and subject area competency as established in the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Further, the department also specifies the appropriate certification for the instruction of all programs and courses authorized for funding in the public schools.

The Florida system offers more options to qualify for a full-time certificate than most other states, but does not compromise quality. Waivers to certification requirements and "emergency" credentials are against the law. Reciprocity options are offered, however, for applicants with a valid, standard out-of-state teaching certificate, National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) certificate, or American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) certificate.

In addition to traditional teacher preparation programs, the department approves Educator Preparation Institutes (EPIs), Professional Training Options (PTOs), and alternate route certification programs offered in all Florida school districts. Approval for all these programs is contingent upon alignment to the same certification standards adopted by the State Board of Education.

Teacher Recruitment and Professional Development

The department is committed to supporting and improving educator quality by providing assistance to educators, potential educators, and school district staff in the areas of educator preparation, recruitment, professional development, recognition, and performance evaluation. The Dale Hickam Excellent Teaching Program (s. 1012.72, F.S.) provides categorical funding for bonuses to teachers upon completion of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification process and another bonus upon completion

of 12 mentoring days. The amount of the bonuses is statutorily identified as 10 percent of the previous year's average annual statewide teachers' salary, but payment is contingent upon budget availability annually. Funds have not been allocated in the past few years. In 2012-13, Florida ranked second in the nation in the number of teachers holding national board certification, with 13,634 nationally certified teachers (approximately 8 percent of the state's teaching population).

Teacher recruitment and professional development activities include support for the online web portal (<u>www.teachinflorida.com</u>), the statewide job fair (The Great Florida Teach-In), and a statewide conference for the Florida Future Educators of America chapters. The department also participates in a wide range of collaborations and conferences, as well as research projects related to teacher professional development.

All 67 districts and public university laboratory schools have implemented a system of highquality professional development approved by the department. District site reviews are conducted for all districts using a set of 65 standards adopted as Florida's Professional Development System Evaluation Protocol in State Board of Education Rule 6A-5.071, F.A.C. Districts have submitted and implemented action plans of improvement for any standard rated less than acceptable to ensure continuous improvement in their system of high-quality professional development.

All 67 districts have implemented a Principal Preparation and Certification Program approved by the department, which is based upon the Florida Principal Leadership Standards established through the William Cecil Golden Professional Development Program for School Leaders (s. 1012.986, F.S.).

In 2011-12, all 67 school districts and public university laboratory schools implemented a performance evaluation system for instructional personnel, the purpose of which is to increase student learning growth by improving the quality of instructional, administrative, and supervisory services in Florida public schools. In addition, each school district implemented a performance evaluation system for school administrators in 2012-13. Each district evaluation system is based on sound educational principles and contemporary research in effective educational practices and supports continuous improvement of effective instruction and student learning growth. Evaluation procedures for both instructional personnel and school administrators are based on the performance of students assigned to their classrooms or schools, as specified in s. 1012.34, F.S.

Career and Adult Education

The vision for the Division of Career and Adult Education is a system in which students who receive career-focused education in Florida lead the nation in academic and economic success.

Improving Florida's Workforce through Collaboration and Partnerships

Career and adult education represents collaboration and partnerships across private and public sectors throughout Florida to improve the state's workforce. Florida's career and adult education programs and activities have focused on new initiatives and priorities as a result of recent state and federal legislation. Among the critical initiatives pursued by the

Division of Career and Adult Education are the following: increasing rigor and relevance in secondary career education; improving federal and state accountability; and partnering with representatives from business and industry to update the career education curriculum to the latest industry standards.

Division staff members are focusing on improved access to career education programs, improvements to curriculum, and new program development. The following are specific initiatives in progress or in the planning stages.

Next Generation Occupational Standards

The division has responsibility for the development of curriculum frameworks for career and technical education programs from middle school through A.S. degrees. These programs are organized into 17 career clusters. The division has developed a new process with the following guiding principles: The process will be driven by business and industry, inclusive of all stakeholders, comprehensive, consistent, transparent, and ongoing. The overall goal of the new standards is to ensure that the occupations included in the specific career cluster are aligned with the needs of Florida's business and industry.

Improvements to Articulation

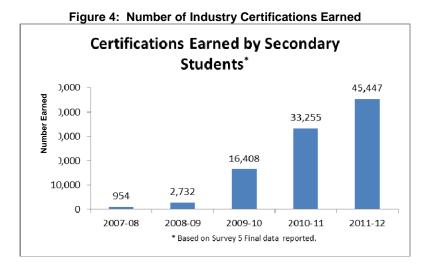
The division places a major focus on articulation and the development of statewide articulation agreements and local agreements that will facilitate the ease of transfer among secondary and postsecondary institutions. Currently, the division has developed 117 Gold Standard Career Pathways articulation agreements through which students who earn industry certifications will have articulated credit into related associate in science degrees.

Career and Professional Academies

A focus will be on establishing, maintaining, and assessing effectiveness of secondary career and professional academy programs that offer student training for high-demand occupations throughout Florida. A key component of career and professional academies is state-approved industry certifications that are determined to be critical to Florida's employers. The Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation defines industry certification as:

"A voluntary process, through which individuals are assessed by an independent, third-party certifying entity using predetermined standards for knowledge, skills, and competencies, resulting in the award of a time-limited credential that is nationally recognized and applicable to an occupation that is included in the workforce system's targeted occupation list or determined to be an occupation that is critical, emerging, or addresses a local need."

The number of secondary-level students earning industry certifications has skyrocketed. Figure 4 on the following page shows the number of students earning industry certifications that were included on the Industry Certification Funding List for 2007-08 through 2011-12.



Educational Transition

Too often, adults who acquire literacy skills do not pursue workforce education options and, therefore, limit their earning potential. The division is developing programs and advisement strategies to facilitate the ability of English for Speakers of Other Languages and General Education Development (GED) students to enroll in and successfully complete career education programs. One of the expected outcomes of this initiative is to increase the number of students who obtain access to high-skill/high-wage training and employment. The division used a one-time federal grant allocation to develop career pathways initiatives through a competitive grant process. Approximately 50 projects were funded for the 2010 through 2012 fiscal years.

Career and Professional Education Act

In 2007, the Florida Legislature passed the Career and Professional Education Act. The act was created to provide a statewide planning partnership between the business and education communities, to expand and retain high-value industry, and to sustain a vibrant state economy. The objectives of the act are to:

- Improve middle and high school academic performance by providing rigorous and relevant curriculum opportunities;
- Provide rigorous and relevant career-themed courses that articulate to postsecondary-level coursework and lead to industry certification;
- Support local and regional economic development;
- Respond to Florida's critical workforce needs; and
- Provide state residents with access to high-wage and high-demand careers.

The department, the Department of Economic Opportunity, and Workforce Florida, Inc., have partnered at the state level to implement the Career and Professional Education Act. At the local level, the act mandates the development of a local strategic plan prepared by school districts with the participation of regional workforce boards and postsecondary institutions.

Florida Colleges

The Florida College System (FCS) is the primary access point to undergraduate education for Floridians, including recent high school graduates and returning adult students. The FCS responds quickly and efficiently to meet the demand of employers by aligning certificate and degree programs with regional workforce needs. With an array of programs and services, the 28 FCS institutions serve individuals, communities, and the state with low-cost, high-quality education opportunities.

The FCS is dedicated to increasing the proportion of Floridians with college-level credentials by improving completion rates for all students through a shift from a traditional access-oriented focus to a more balanced approach aimed at student success. As part of its "student success" agenda for the next ten years, the FCS has adopted the following four goals as the core of its Strategic Plan. These goals are aligned with the Florida Department of Education's Strategic Plan for 2012-13 to 2016-18:

- Goal 1: Expand and Maintain Access
- Goal 2: Optimize Use of Learning Technologies
- Goal 3: Increase College Readiness and Success
- Goal 4: Prepare for Careers

The FCS continues to fulfill its historic mission of providing and expanding access to postsecondary education in the state through a comprehensive variety of cost-effective and efficient programs that address multiple needs. The most recent census data show that one in every 26 Floridians was enrolled in an FCS institution. Two-thirds (65 percent) of the Florida high school graduates continuing their education in Florida after high school enroll in a Florida college. The FCS serve approximately 81 percent of all minority students enrolled in public higher education.

Several projects have been undertaken to further the FCS's commitment and to promote priority goals of the colleges and the department.

College Readiness

The FCS seeks to raise the state's postsecondary educational attainment level by actively contributing to improvements in college readiness and student success initiatives, thereby increasing the percentage of certificates and degrees awarded annually. Florida has taken a number of steps to accelerate student success, foster retention, and promote college completion in an effort to achieve its goals.

• Section 1008.30, F.S.

Recent changes to Florida's common placement testing statute have expanded college-readiness testing to include the assessment of eleventh grade students. Section 1008.30(3), F.S., also requires students who do not demonstrate readiness to complete postsecondary preparatory instruction prior to high school graduation. The intent is that the earlier assessment and college-readiness preparation prior to high school graduation will prepare students for success in gateway courses.

• Rule 6A-10.0315, F.A.C.

Rule 6A-10.0315, F.A.C., outlines approved college-readiness assessments and college-ready scores a student must meet to demonstrate readiness. Assessments include the ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, and Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT). The Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test 2.0 may also be used to demonstrate college-readiness. Multiple assessments provide college degree-seeking students and high school students with a number of means to demonstrate readiness for entry-level coursework.

• The Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT)

The PERT is Florida's customized, computer-adaptive college placement exam. With standards and questions reviewed by Florida faculty, the PERT is intended to accurately place students based on skills and abilities identified as necessary for success in entry-level college credit coursework.

• Core to College

Florida is one of 12 states participating in the Core to College initiative to promote collaboration between colleges and K-12 schools around the implementation of the state's college and career ready standards. Core to College projects support alignment between the two sectors to increase levels of college readiness among students. In Florida, faculty and teacher teams are being created to learn about the college and career ready standards and subsequent assessment. Teams will then engage other faculty and teachers and meet locally to discuss transitions between high school and college.

Dual Enrollment

Since 2008, due to changes in the state's high school grading formula, participation in dual enrollment has increased from 33,112 students to 50,054 students in 2012. The 2013 Florida Legislature passed Senate Bill 1514, which revised provisions for dual enrollment delivery that are expected to further impact dual enrollment participation.

Connections Conference

The Connections Conference was held April 11-12, 2013, at Santa Fe College in Gainesville, Florida. The conference was an important forum for Florida policymakers, educators, and administrators to gather and exchange ideas about programs and services that address academic preparedness, learning strategies, diagnostic assessment and placement, and overcoming barriers to learning. This year's conference, titled *Focus on the Future*, included sessions on state standards, development education redesign, and workshops on meta-majors. Each college invited members from the school districts they serve to the conference to be a part of conversations regarding student preparedness, college-readiness assessments, and college and career ready standards.

On October 9, 2012, the State Board of Education approved the FCS five-year goals presented in *Stepping Up: A Strategic Plan for The Florida College System.* The strategic plan identifies college completion as a primary goal for Florida. Specifically, the FCS seeks to "raise the state's postsecondary educational attainment level by actively contributing to improvements in college readiness and student success initiatives, thereby increasing the percentage of certificates and degrees awarded annually." Florida has taken a number of steps to accelerate student success, foster retention, and promote college completion in an effort to achieve its goals.

• "2+2" Articulation System

Florida's long-standing, comprehensive policies in statute related to acceleration and articulation facilitate student transitions from one education level to the next. Florida's Articulation Agreement, first authored in 1957 and enacted in 1971 by the State Board of Education, puts into practice the programs that allow the separate education sectors to function as an interdependent system by providing for the smooth transition of students who seek postsecondary education.

• Equity and Civil Rights Compliance

Section 1000.05(4), F.S., requires that "public schools and community colleges shall develop and implement methods and strategies to increase the participation of students of a particular race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, disability, or marital status in programs and courses in which students of that particular race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, disability, or marital status have been traditionally underrepresented, including, but not limited to, mathematics, science, computer technology, electronics, communications technology, engineering, and career education." All 28 colleges design methods and strategies to promote retention and completion of underrepresented student populations.

• Finish Up, Florida!

The Finish Up, Florida! Program is designed to reach out to students who left the FCS without earning a degree and encourage them to return to finish their degree. Using the Florida Virtual Campus, former students can access their college records and – in five steps – get on a path to enroll in a Florida college to complete their degree. With help from the Florida Department of Education, colleges reach out to targeted students and guide them regarding enrollment. The project's overarching goal is to reconnect with adult students and inform them of new and enhanced opportunities to complete their degrees. As of May 2013, 11,543 students earned degrees as a result of the campaign—almost 15 percent of the 78,000 students who left the FCS without earning a degree. An additional 12,000 students were enrolled in the 2013 spring term.

• Florida College System Advising Network

The Division of Florida Colleges has organized a network for academic advisors to build relationships and share information across the FCS about student success and college completion initiatives. The first component of this network is a listserv, which serves as a forum for advisors to discuss emerging issues and ask peers for helpful suggestions or advice. The network's second component is a monthly newsletter entitled *A Community for Completion: Promising Practices to Increase Completion in The Florida College System.* The monthly newsletter highlights a project from a college targeted at improving completion. Through the newsletter, FCS successes are celebrated and ideas shared among institutions for adoption statewide.

Project Win-Win

Project Win-Win is a coordinated effort to identify former FCS students who left college just short of earning their degree and bring them back to complete their degree. The project is coordinated by the Division of Florida Colleges, with financial management assistance from the Florida College System Foundation. Broward College, Indian River State College, and St. Johns River State College serve as pilot colleges. The project relies heavily on data and analyzes students through a rigorous degree audit. The audit identifies students as "eligibles," meaning they are in line to receive the degree, and "potentials," for students who are a small number of credits short and

must be found, contacted, and offered templates for completion. Overall, over 8,304 students have been identified as "eligibles" or "potentials." From 2011 to 2013, 2,197 students were enrolled, with 1,466 completing as a result of Project Win-Win.

Statewide Common Course Numbering System

The Statewide Course Numbering System (SCNS) serves as a key component for Florida's seamless K-20 system. The SCNS includes all course offerings at public and participating nonpublic institutions in Florida and, for courses deemed by faculty to be equivalent in content, a guarantee of transfer. This guarantee of transfer at the course level is the mechanism by which mobile students seamlessly transfer without duplicating coursework.

Florida Virtual Campus

On July 1, 2012, four organizations (College Center for Library Automation, Florida Center for Advising and Academic Support, Florida Center for Library Automation, and the Florida Distance Learning Consortium) with long histories of service to Florida's public colleges and universities came together to form an exciting new academic support organization: the Florida Virtual Campus (FLVC). Section 1006.73, F.S., establishes the FLVC to provide access to online student and library support services, and to serve as a statewide resource and clearinghouse for technology-based public postsecondary education distance learning courses and degree programs. FLVC's services to the students, faculties, and staff of the state's public colleges and universities include:

- Support for Florida's ever-growing population of distance learners and institutions offering online courses and degrees.
- Online academic advising services to help students identify the requirements of their chosen degree.
- A variety of tools used by staff at college and university libraries to provide services to their students and faculties.
- Online access to the library holdings of all Florida public colleges and universities, including electronic resources such as full-text journals, databases, and e-books.
- Support and training for college and university students and staff using the services of FLVC.

The chancellors of the State University System and the Florida College System jointly oversee the FLVC. A board of directors composed of college and university vice presidents appointed by the chancellors, as well as officers from FLVC's advisory groups, assists the chancellors in their governance role.

Florida is increasing its reliance on the FCS as an appropriate alternative to providing baccalaureate programs. In 2001, Senate Bill 1162 resulted in a process by which Florida colleges could seek State Board of Education approval to grant baccalaureate degrees in limited areas. Section 1007.33, F.S., created site-based baccalaureate degree access. Initially, three colleges – Chipola College, Edison State College, and Miami Dade College – engaged in the proposal process, for which about \$4 million had been appropriated. Under the same bill, St. Petersburg College (then St. Petersburg Junior College) was provided separate authority to grant baccalaureate degrees in nursing, education, and information technology, and \$1 million was provided to the college for this effort.

Currently, 22 of the system's 28 colleges are approved to offer a total of 157 programs in a wide range of baccalaureate programs, including education, nursing, and applied

technology. A statutory revision in 2009 enabled colleges to propose programs to be considered for approval by the State Board of Education at any time during the year. Even though some colleges have been approved to offer baccalaureate programs, and more are expected to follow, all of the system's colleges are statutorily required and committed to remain true to their primary mission of responding to community needs for postsecondary academic and career education and providing associate degrees for access to a university. Of the 855,541 students enrolled in courses in FCS institutions in the 2012-13 academic year, 21,517, or 2.5 percent, were enrolled in upper-division baccalaureate courses.

Finally, to continually monitor student access and student success, the DFC conducts agency-directed research projects including: program reviews (required by ss. 1001.02(6) and 1001.03(13), F.S.), accountability procedures (required by s. 1008.41-45, F.S.), and research briefs detailing system- and institutional-level information. These activities enable the DFC to continue its commitment to increase student access to postsecondary education and to strive toward student success.

State Board of Education

Advancing high-quality education for the next generation of students is the primary responsibility of the Florida State Board of Education. The State Board of Education is the chief implementing and coordinating body of public education in Florida, overseeing all systems of public education except for the State University System. The State Board focuses on high-level policy decisions and has the authority to adopt rules to implement the provisions of law. General duties include, but are not limited to, adopting educational objectives and strategic long-range plans for public education in Florida, exercising general supervision over the department, submitting an annual coordinated legislative budget request, and adopting uniform standards of student performance.

Strategic Planning

Section 1001.02(3)(a), F.S., authorizes the State Board of Education to "adopt a strategic plan that specifies goals and objectives for the state's public schools and Florida College System institutions." The board's current strategic plan was adopted October 2012, and outlines a vision to support students in becoming globally competitive from prekindergarten through college and careers. Success toward this vision will be measured through the performance indicators included in the plan, which are similar to those included in the department's Long Range Program Plan.

The priorities matrix in Table 7 shows that the State Board's strategic plan focuses on improving the college and career readiness of all students and preparing them for success in the 21st century. As part of the annual planning effort to improve the state's education system and increase student achievement, the current 2012-2018 plan will be updated in 2014 and presented to the State Board of Education for approval.

	St	atutory Goals (Section 1008.31, F.S.)					
	Goal 1: Highest Student Achievement	Goal 2: Seamless Articulation / Maximum Access	Goal 3: Skilled Workforce / Economic Development				
Prekindergarten Students	Improve kindergarten readiness						
K-12 Students	 Increase the percentage of students performing at grade level Increase student participation and performance in accelerated course options 	 Increase high school graduation rates Improve college readiness Expand digital education 	 Expand STEM-related educational opportunities in high- demand areas Increase career and technical education opportunities Improve adult education programs in school districts 				
Teachers and Leaders	 Increase the percentage of effective and highly effective principals Increase the percentage of effective and highly effective teachers Reduce the number of out-of-field teachers 	 Increase the percentage of effective and highly effective teachers at high- minority, high-poverty, and low- performing schools Reduce the number of out-of-field teachers at high-minority, high- poverty, and low-performing schools 					
School Choice	 Increase the percentage of charter school students performing at grade level Ensure Supplemental Educational Service providers are high performing 	Expand choice for students					
Postsecondary Students	Improve college readiness and success	Expand and maintain access	Prepare students for careers				
	Goal 4: Quality Efficient Services						

Table 7: Florida State Board of Education 2012-2018 Priorities Matrix

Accountability for Achievement

Section 1008.33, F.S., authorizes the State Board of Education to hold all school districts and public schools accountable for student performance. Florida's focus on increased proficiency for every student is yielding impressive results.

Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test Results

As shown in Figure 5, 57 percent of students in grades 3 through 10 were reading at or above grade level in 2013. Figure 6 shows that 56 percent of students in grades 3-8 were performing at or above grade level (Achievement Level 3) on the 2012 FCAT 2.0.

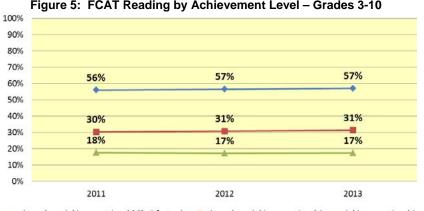
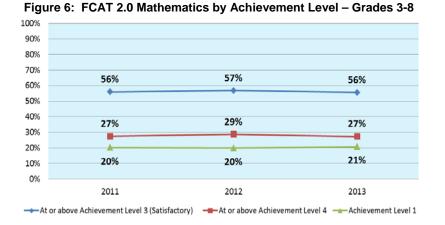


Figure 5: FCAT Reading by Achievement Level – Grades 3-10



Figures 7 and 8 show that grade 5 student performance on FCAT science assessments improved from 2012 to 2013. In 2013, 53 percent of students in grade 5 were performing at or above Achievement Level 3 (on grade level and above) on FCAT Science, an increase from 52 percent in 2012. Forty-seven percent of students in grade 8 were performing at or above Achievement Level 3 (on grade level and above) on FCAT Science.

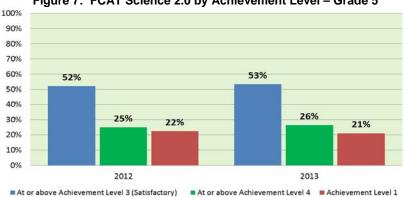


Figure 7: FCAT Science 2.0 by Achievement Level – Grade 5

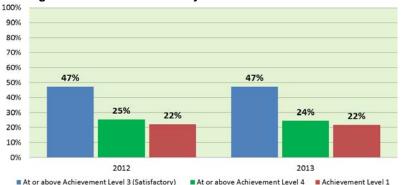
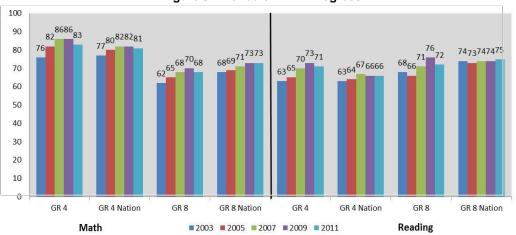
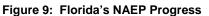


Figure 8: FCAT Science 2.0 by Achievement Level – Grade 8

NAEP – The Nation's Report Card

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is the largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Since 1969, the NAEP has measured and reported on the knowledge and abilities of America's students in grades 4, 8, and 12. In 2011, the most recent year for which data are available, Florida's fourth and eighth grade students achieved a seven-point and six-point increase in math since 2003, respectively. The results indicate that, since 2003, Florida's fourth and eighth grade students have increased their overall math scores by eight points and four points, respectively, compared to a four-point gain for the nation's fourth-graders and a five-point gain for the nation's eighth-graders.

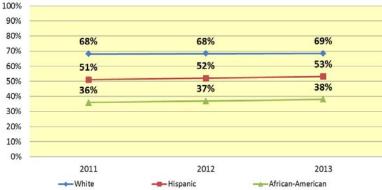




Florida Narrows the Reading Achievement Gap

As shown in Figure10, 2013 FCAT results indicate a narrowing of the reading achievement gap between minority and white students. White students in grades 3-10 increased the percentage reading at or above Achievement Level 3 (Satisfactory) in 2013 by one percentage point compared to 2012 performance. In contrast Hispanic and African American students increased the percentage scoring at 3 or above by 2 percentage points from 2012 to 2013.





SAT, ACT, and Advanced Placement

Florida students are showing excellent progress in SAT scores, while closing the gap between their mean SAT subsection scores and the scores of their counterparts

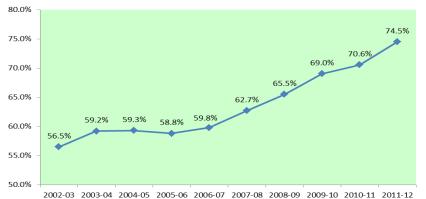
nationwide. Mean Critical Reading scores and Writing scores both increased by five points, and mean Mathematics scores increased three points. More than half (51 percent) of all students who took the SAT in the class of 2012 indicated that they are a minority. These minority and underrepresented students made great strides in overall performance in 2012 scores. African American students showed an increase of seven points in mean Critical Reading scores, as compared to no change to scores nationwide, while Hispanic students showed an increase of three points in mean Critical Reading scores, as compared to a three-point decrease for Hispanic students nationwide.

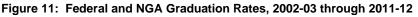
Florida's 2012 American College Testing (ACT) scores show that students have improved performance in every subject area - while the national average in each area is at a standstill, showing no improvement. Florida increased the number and percentage of graduates taking the ACT in 2012, while also increasing average scores slightly. A total of 118,420 of Florida's 2012 graduating seniors took the ACT at some point during their high school career, an increase of 1,845 (0.7 percentage points) over 2011. The number of ACT-tested graduating seniors nationwide increased by 3 percentage points over 2011. Average ACT scores for Florida increased from 2011 to 2012 by three-tenths of a point in reading, by one-tenth of a point in English, science and the composite. Florida's minority students experienced increases in average ACT composite scores from 2011 to 2012.

Florida is ranked number one in the nation for the percentage of 2012 seniors taking Advanced Placement (AP) exams while in high school, according to the College Board. The first-place ranking with 52.9 percent of seniors (76,128) taking at least one AP exam during their high school career bettered the national average of 30.2 percent. In addition, 27.3 percent of Florida seniors (39,306) passed an AP exam with a score of three or higher, coming in at fourth in the country and exceeding the national average of 19.5 percent. The rankings are fueled by solid gains in participation and performance of Florida's African-American and Hispanic students.

High School Graduation Rate

In 2012, Florida's federal high school graduation rate increased almost four percentage points over the last year and has increased during the past ten years. The rate rose from 56.5 percent in 2002-03 to 74.5 percent in 2011-12. Federal regulations require each state to calculate a four-year adjusted cohort rate, which includes standard diplomas, but excludes general education diplomas and special diplomas. Figure 11 shows the federal graduation rate from 2002-03 through 2011-12.





Hispanic and African American students have made notable progress over the last five years. The graduation rate for African Americans has improved by 13.7 percentage points. Hispanics have made similar gains, with a graduation rate increase of 13.1 percentage points. By comparison, the graduation rate for white students has improved by 10.2 percentage points over the same period of time. African American and Hispanic males have made significant gains as well, with increases in their graduation rates of 14.9 and 14.7 percentage points, respectively.

School Grades

As Florida continues efforts to raise school performance, the state's school grades are being calculated using more rigorous standards and new achievement levels. According to the 2013 preliminary (pre-appeals) school grades report, which includes grades for schools other than high schools with graduating classes in 2013, 83 percent of schools (2,158) earned an A, B, or C grade and 17 percent (460) earned a D or F grade.

The State Board of Education approved a policy ensuring that in 2013 no school would drop more than one letter grade from the previous year. This provides Florida's public school leaders, teachers and students a safety net while working toward more rigorous standards. For the 2,618 Florida public schools receiving a school grade in 2013 (not including high schools):

- 760 earned an "A" (29 percent), a decrease of 482 schools compared to 2012.
- 677 earned a "B" (26 percent), an increase of 68 schools compared to 2012.
- 721 earned a "C" (28 percent), an increase of 227 schools compared to 2012.
- 353 earned a "D" (13 percent), an increase of 141 schools compared to 2012.
- 107 earned an "F" (4 percent), an increase of 67 schools compared to 2012.

As established in s. 1008.34, F.S., Florida's high schools are graded using eight stateassessment-based measures for performance and learning gains that are included in all school grades, plus several components other than statewide assessments that account for 50 percent of the high school grade. Grades for Florida high schools for 2012-13 will be released in December 2013.

State Board of Education Policy Initiatives and Legislation

Florida is a nationally recognized leader in education reform that has improved the quality of education for the state's students. Florida education leaders will continue to build on a strong record of success by challenging the status quo and continually raising the bar for academic achievement. As the national and state economies recover and improve, education progress remains a priority and major budget driver in Florida.¹

Planning and budgeting will focus on continuing education operations and core programs that are constitutional requirements, statutory requirements, or ongoing initiatives in the State Board of Education's Strategic Plan. The State Board of Education will reprioritize and repurpose existing resources as needed to ensure sustainability of priority reform efforts and initiatives, which will be reflected in the strategic plan to be updated in 2014. The Race to the Top (RTTT) agenda to which Florida has committed is consistent with the

¹State of Florida Long-Range Financial Outlook Fiscal Year 2014-15 through 2016-17. Fall 2013 report to the Legislative Budget Commission and jointly prepared by the Senate Committee on Budget, the House Appropriations Committee, and the Legislative Office of Economic and Demographic Research. Accessed at: <u>http://edr.state.fl.us/Content/long-range-finacial-outlook/3-Year-Plan_Fall-2013_1415-1617.pdf</u>.

Next Generation Strategic Plan and state policy. The RTTT funding will enable Florida to accelerate and strengthen its reform agenda.

Other priority initiatives that are as important in meeting Florida's future education needs include the following:

Technology and Digital Learning

In March 2012, the State Board of Education directed the department to develop a comprehensive plan to use digital learning to prepare students with the knowledge and skills to succeed in college and challenging 21st century careers. A diverse group of educators, lawmakers, business leaders, policy advisors, philanthropers, and parents was identified to guide the development of the plan. The group identified priorities for reform in three general areas – Infrastructure, Instruction, and Institutional Reform.

Although academic standards and assessments are standardized, when, where, and how students learn can be customized so no child is left behind. To ensure all students achieve high expectations, Florida will need to customize and personalize education for each and every student – a daunting endeavor for a school system that has an average annual student population of 2.6 million. Technology and digital learning will be important tools in the education process.

Florida schools are gearing up for new education standards and online testing. Schools must also prepare to deliver half of all classroom instruction digitally by 2015. Over the next few years, public education in Florida will increasingly happen on a computer. The state already requires high school students to take at least one online course. By fall 2015 half of all classroom instruction will need to be digital and students are expected to be taking statewide standardized tests on a computer.

Success for Students through Teacher Professional Development, Test Development, and Performance Pay

Creating a valid, robust assessment system for teachers, instructional personnel, and school administrators continues to be a state education priority. Florida statutes establish new ways to reward teachers and administrators who help students learn, and modernizes Florida's instructional workforce by ensuring that employment decisions are determined primarily on a teacher's demonstrated effectiveness. School districts are authorized to recognize and reward teachers who help students make learning gains by making student success a higher priority in the instructional evaluation process.

Performance Funding for High Priority Outcomes

The State Board of Education has recommended that major funding models for voluntary prekindergarten; science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) instruction; adult workforce education; and state colleges be amended to allow a larger percentage of funding to be tied to performance outcomes. This is expected to be a complex undertaking that must consider varying missions, resources, and student demographics to ensure fairness and equity. Nevertheless, the creation and maintenance of exemplary data collection systems will yield sufficient information to explore performance-based funding alternatives that can be adjusted for various factors. Florida's prior experience in performance funding demonstrates the potential that performance–based funding has in

motivating educational providers to focus increased attention on student outcomes that are specifically tied to funding.

Administrative Efficiencies

The 2007-2012 global recession has taught education managers that schools must find ways to improve student outcomes with constrained budgets. Data-driven management that improves the delivery of education is a requirement under conditions of fiscal constraint.

Commissioner Initiatives

Florida is implementing world-class academic standards that define what students are expected to learn in kindergarten through high school so they enter college ready to learn or start a job ready to work. These new expectations for knowledge and skills are more rigorous, more focused, and more relevant to the world students will enter after graduating from high school. Students in Florida, and across the nation, will be measured on their achievement of the college and career ready standards in 2014-2015.

With the adoption of more rigorous and focused coursework, the state has laid the groundwork to ensure that increased proficiency for every public school student in the state will undoubtedly continue. Florida's statewide assessments are currently undergoing a transition, with the new FCAT 2.0 and End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments replacing the original FCAT. These new assessments are based on the rigorous *Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS)*, which were adopted by the State Board of Education in 2007; whereas, the FCAT assesses the *Sunshine State Standards*, which were adopted in 1996. As FCAT 2.0 assessments are phased in, they will replace existing FCAT assessments. The transition to the FCAT 2.0 began in 2011 with the Reading and Mathematics assessments and will be complete when the FCAT 2.0 Science assessments are administered in 2012. The NGSSS are aligned to facilitate implementation of the college and career ready standards and assessments in 2014-2015.

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) was scheduled to expire September 30, 2007; however, because Congress has been unable to agree on a reauthorization package, the law is automatically extended until a new law is passed. In October 2011, the United States (US) Secretary of Education invited states to request a flexibility waiver from ESEA requirements, enabling them to eliminate redundant regulation and move to a single accountability system. Florida was one of 11 states to apply for the waiver and, in February 2012, the US Department of Education granted the waiver. Approving the request for flexibility is the first step in a process; there are still several steps prior to implementation.

Key Legislative Priorities

Implementation of the following legislation and policies will have a major impact on the planning, budgeting, and delivery of education programs and services during the 2014-15 through 2018-19 years.

• Chapter 2013-27, L.O.F. (Senate Bill 1076) – K-20 Education

Known as the Career and Professional Education Act of 2013, this law establishes new standard high school diploma requirements for students entering ninth grade in the

2013-14 school year, alters course and testing requirements for current ninth and tenth graders, and establishes Scholar and Merit diploma designations. Current and future high school students may earn a Scholar or Merit designation if they satisfy course and testing requirements above and beyond those required for a standard diploma. In addition, the bill includes higher education and workforce-related provisions regarding fee waiver authority for Florida College System (FCS) institutions pertaining to the \$10,000 degree program; performance funding for workforce education programs, FCS institutions, and state universities.

Chapter 2013-237, L.O.F. (Senate Bill 1388) – Instructional Materials for K-12 Public Education

The law provides increased flexibility to local school districts in selecting instructional materials, while requiring instructional materials to align with state standards. School districts, or a consortium of school districts, are exempt from certain rules and have the flexibility to implement their own instructional materials overview, approval, adoption, and purchasing program. The law requires the department to retain the existing state instructional materials process, and increases the number of reviewers appointed by the Commissioner of Education from three to up to five.

• Chapter 2013-185, L.O.F. (Senate Bill 1664) – Education

The law revises criteria for evaluating classroom teachers, other instructional personnel, and school administrators for purposes of the performance pay schedule required in s. 1012.22, F.S. The law also revises the requirements for state-approved educator preparation programs and educator and principal certification, and provides a new framework for the approval of teacher preparation programs that is based on outcome metrics. It requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules to allow an individual to be eligible for a temporary certificate in educational leadership if he or she meets certain requirements. The law renames the Florida Teachers Lead Program as the Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program. Also, the law requires school districts to approve and publish on their websites testing administration schedules for district-mandated assessments.

• Chapter 2013-51, L.O.F. (Senate Bill 1720) – Education

Florida College System institutions are required to implement a developmental education plan no later than the fall of 2014, and to prepare annual accountability reports on developmental education beginning in 2015. The law specifies which students are not required to be tested or to enroll in developmental education, and requires colleges to provide students with developmental education options, including in-course tutoring. In addition, the law creates a new Office of K-20 Articulation in the department to support the work of the Higher Education Coordinating Council and revises membership and duties of the council.

• Chapter 2013-250, L.O.F. (Senate Bill 7009) – Education

The law includes several provisions that increase charter school accountability and transparency, including, but not limited to: requiring sponsors to submit to the department specific information for each application received to be compiled in a summary report regarding the number of applications received, approved, denied, and

withdrawn each year. Employees of the charter school or the charter management organization and their spouses are prohibited from serving on the charter school governing board. In addition, the law prohibits a student assigned to a teacher who is rated as "needs improvement" or "unsatisfactory" to be assigned to a similarly rated teacher the following school year. The bill authorizes a District Innovation School of Technology to develop the innovative use of industry-leading technology, while requiring high student academic achievement and accountability, in exchange for flexibility and exemption from certain provisions of law.

• Chapter 2013-45, L.O.F. (Senate Bill 1514) – Education

The law requires that, if the sum of courses taken by a student is greater than 1.0, the membership value shall be equally distributed to all entities providing instruction so that the student's total FTE is equal to 1.0. The law authorizes school districts and virtual charter schools to provide virtual courses for a student in the summer for course completion when the student does not complete the virtual course by the end of the regular school year. The law also authorizes school districts to provide virtual courses for a student in the summer for credit recovery when a student has unsuccessfully completed a traditional or virtual education course during the regular school year and must re-take the course in order to be eligible to graduate with the student's class. In addition, the law repeals the state satellite network and transfers duties and responsibilities of the satellite transponder from the department to WFSU.

• Chapter 2013-225, L.O.F. (House Bill 7029) – Education

The law allows students enrolled in one school district to enroll in an online course offered by any other district in the state, without limitations. It also allows the Florida Virtual School (FLVS) and the school district to agree to an alternative testing site for statewide assessments. School districts are allowed to contract with qualified contractors to administer and proctor the statewide assessments.

• Chapter 2013-252, L.O.F. (House Bill 7165) – Early Learning

The law establishes the Office of Early Learning (OEL) within the Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice within the Department of Education under an Executive Director who is fully accountable to the Commissioner of Education. The OEL is required to: adopt a list of approved curricula and a process for the review and approval of a provider's curriculum that meets the performance standards; identify a preassessment and postassessment for school readiness program participants; adopt a statewide, standardized contract to be used by coalitions with each school readiness program provider; and coordinate with other agencies to perform data matches on individuals or families participating in the school readiness program. The law requires the Early Learning Advisory Council to periodically analyze and provide recommendations to the office on the effective and efficient use of local, state, and federal funds; the content of professional development training programs; and best practices for the development and implementation of coalition plans.

Commission for Independent Education

Chapter 1005, Florida Statutes, Part II, provides authority for the Commission for Independent Education (Commission). The statutes include specific guidelines, requirements, and responsibilities that provide the basis for Commission activities (i.e., school licensure, consumer protection, and institutional compliance) and performance reporting related to nonpublic, postsecondary educational institutions. This includes rules that have been developed and approved by the State Board of Education to implement statutory requirements.

Some of the specific performances demonstrated by the Commission are listed below.

Timelines for Licensure

Within 30 calendar days of the receipt of the application (all documents are date-stamped upon arrival at the Commission), the Commission responds to each institutional application with a list of errors and omissions that need to be submitted in order to complete the application for licensure. The Commission must review the application for licensure and place it on the meeting agenda of the Commission for Independent Education (in order for the Commission for Independent Education to issue a license or issue a denial of licensure) within 90 calendar days of the application being deemed complete.

Consumer Protection

The Commission must respond to complaints concerning licensed schools or colleges within seven calendar days of the receipt of the document. The institutional response to the Commission and the complainant must occur within 20 calendar days of the receipt of the letter by the institution.

Institutional Compliance

The Commission conducts on-site visits to those institutions that hold a provisional license or an annual license on an ongoing basis. The purpose of these visits is to evaluate the institution's compliance with the 12 Standards for Licensure. These visits often result in reports that notify licensed schools or colleges of areas of noncompliance with s. 1005, F.S., and/or Chapter 6E, Florida Administrative Code.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES

TITLE	PURPOSE AND ACTIVITIES
Articulation Coordinating Committee	Approves common prerequisites across program areas, approves course and credit-by- exam equivalencies, oversees implementation of statewide articulation agreements, and
Assessment and Accountability Advisory Committee	recommends articulation policy changes. Advises the department about K-12 assessment and accountability policies.
Assistive Technology Advisory Council	Improves the quality of life for Floridians with disabilities through advocacy and awareness activities that increase access to and acquisition of assistive services and technology.
Career Education Construction Committee	Reviews and evaluates the requests submitted from the school districts and ranks the requests in priority order in accordance with statewide critical needs.
Charter School Appeal Commission	Assists the Commissioner of Education and the State Board of Education, pursuant to s. 1002.33(6)(e)1., F.S., with a fair and impartial review of appeals by applicants whose charter applications have been denied, not renewed, or terminated by their sponsors.
College Reach-out Program Advisory Council (CROP)	Reviews and recommends to the State Board of Education an order of priority for funding CROP proposals, as required by s. 1007.34(9),F.S.
Commissioner's Task Force on Holocaust Education	Assists school districts in implementing s. 1003.42(2)(g), F.S., relating to the history of the Holocaust.
Commissioner's Task Force on School Grades	Established to provide recommendations regarding the 2013 school grades calculation and potential revisions to the calculation.
Commission for Independent Education	Performs statutory responsibilities in matters related to nonpublic, postsecondary educational institutions in areas that include consumer protection, program improvement, and the licensure of independent schools, colleges, and universities.
Department of Education / Department of Juvenile Justice Interagency Workgroup	Provides structure and process for interagency coordination and collaboration essential to effective and efficient delivery of educational services to youth in Department of Juvenile Justice programs.
Education Practices Commission	Hears applicant or certified educator misconduct cases in Florida for individuals who are in violation of s. 1012.795, F.S., and renders decisions regarding penalties. The Commission is not responsible for investigations or prosecution.
End-of-Course U.S. History Content Advisory Committee	Advises the department about the scope of the U.S. History End-of-Course Assessment.
FCAT Bias Review Committee	Reviews FCAT passages, prompts, and items for potential bias.
FCAT Community Sensitivity Committee	Reviews all passages, prompts, and items for issues of potential concern to members of the community at large.
FCAT Computer-Based Testing Advisory Committee	Examines and discusses Florida's experience and opportunities with computer-based testing along with the practical aspects of computer-based testing – student registration, verification, maintaining security during testing, scoring and reporting, general testing policy implications, and practical considerations.
FCAT Gridded-Response Field Test Item Adjudication Committee	Reviews all field-test responses to mathematics and science gridded-response questions to determine if all possible correct answers have been included in the scoring key.
FCAT Item Content Review Committee	Reviews reading passages and reading, mathematics, science, and writing test items to determine whether the passages and items are appropriate for the grade level for which each is proposed.
FCAT Mathematics Content Advisory Committee	Advises the department about the scope of the mathematics assessment.
FCAT Prompt Writing/Review Committee	Reviews the prompts and student responses from the writing assessment pilot test.
FCAT Reading Content Advisory Committee	Advises the department about the scope of the reading assessment.
FCAT Science Content Advisory Committee	Advises the department about the scope of the science assessment.
FCAT Special Ad Hoc Focus Group	Reviews various aspects of the testing program and advises the department on appropriate courses of action.
FCAT Standard Setting Committees	Recommends achievement level standards for new state assessments.
FCAT Technical Advisory Committee	Assists the department by reviewing technical decisions and documents and by providing advice regarding the approaches for analyzing and reporting state assessment data.
FCAT Writing Content Advisory Committee	Advises the department about the scope of the writing assessment, including the benchmarks that should be assessed and the item types recommended for each assessed benchmark.
FCAT Writing Rangefinder Committee	Establishes the range of responses that represent each score point of the rubric for each item or prompt.

FCAT Science Expert Content Review	Reviews newly-developed science test items to ensure the accuracy and currency of the science content.
Florida Council for Interstate Compact on Education Opportunity for Military Children	Provides advice and recommendations regarding Florida's participation in and compliance with the Interstate Compact.
Florida Independent Living Council	Collaborates with the state on planning and evaluation of the independent living program, and collaborates to prepare annual reports and conduct public forums.
Florida Rehabilitation Council	Functions as the state rehabilitation council as mandated by the U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitative Services Administration through the Code of Federal Regulation; also mandated under current Florida Statutes.
Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind	Assists the department in the planning and development of statewide vocational rehabilitation programs and services pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, to recommend improvements to such programs and services, and to perform the functions provided in this section.
Florida School Finance Council	Serves in an advisory role with respect to public school funding, accounting, and related business services.
Florida State Committee of Vendors	Collaborates with the Florida Division of Blind Services, Business Enterprises Program in major administrative decisions, policy and program development, transfer and promotion opportunities for vendors, and acts as advocate for the vendors with grievances; represents vendors in the Business Enterprise Program based on geographic location and facility type.
Florida 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Advisory Committee	Discusses and assists the Florida 21st CCLC program office with issues related to the 21st CCLC after-school programs.
K-12 Public School Facility Funding Task Force	Examines relevant factors, as required by Chapter 2012-133, L.O.F., to make recommendations to the Florida Legislature for more equitable facility funding for charter schools and schools operated by a school district.
Leadership Policy Advisory Committee	Provides advice and recommendations to the Commissioner of Education regarding assessment and accountability related topics as well as other issues on which the Commissioner may request input.
Migrant Comprehensive Needs Assessment Committee	Develops the Florida Migrant Education Program Comprehensive Needs Assessment.
NCLB Committee of Practitioners	Reviews, before publication, any proposed or final state rule or regulation pursuant to Title I programs; provides guidance on policies and procedures governing Title I programs.
Special Facilities Construction Committee	Reviews facilities requests submitted by the districts, evaluates the proposed projects, and ranks the requests in priority order.
State Advisory Committee for the Education of Exceptional Students	Provides policy guidance with respect to the provision of exceptional education and related services for Florida's children with disabilities.
State Apprenticeship Advisory Council	Advises on matters relating to apprenticeship, preapprenticeship and on-the-job training programs as required by s. 446.045, F.S., but may not establish policy, adopt rules, or consider whether apprenticeship programs should be approved by the department.
State Committee of Vendors	Participates with the State Licensing Agency in major administrative decisions and policy and program development decisions.
State Implementation Team for Interagency Agreement for Children in Out-of-Home Care State Instructional Materials Committee (SIMC)	Oversees implementation of the state agreement to review state statutes, rules, and plans to ensure consistency with purposes of the agreement and makes recommendations to respective agency heads regarding procedures and policies. Evaluates and determines which instructional materials submitted for consideration best implement the selection criteria developed by the Commissioner of Education and those curricular objectives included within applicable performance standards provided for in s.
State Task Force on African American History Task Force	1001.03(1), F.S., and recommends instructional materials for state adoption. Assists school districts in implementing s. 1003.42(2)(h), F.S., relating to African American history, which is required instruction in Florida.
Statewide Course Numbering System Faculty Discipline Committees	Establishes and evaluates postsecondary course number equivalencies to facilitate the guaranteed transfer of credit.
Student Growth Implementation Committee	Provides feedback and recommendations in the development of value-added models for student growth to be used in Florida's educator effectiveness system.
Students with Disabilities Education Pathway Task Force	Makes recommendation on a rigorous K-12 academic pathway to enable students with disabilities to earn a diploma that will matriculate into postsecondary education college credit programs and include options for expanding access for students with disabilities to participate in a traditional postsecondary academic experience.
Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Advisory Panel	Assists with the implementation and monitoring of high standards consistent with federal requirements, state law, and State Board of Education rules. Provides guidance related to monitoring, evaluation, services, and development of technical assistance.
Teacher and Leader Preparation Implementation Committee	Provides feedback and recommendations in the development and implementation of performance standards and targets for continued approval of state-approved teacher and school leadership preparation programs.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND STANDARDS

LRPP EXHIBIT II

PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND STANDARDS

The performance measures adopted by the Florida Legislature in 2006 for the Department of Education are reviewed annually as part of the agency's update of the Long Range Program Plan (LRPP). The annual review and updating process has resulted in department staff identifying measures or standards that may need deletion or modification. The annual review also provides an opportunity for staff to recommend new measures that are valid, reliable, and useful to management and the public.

Data element requirements for calculations are also reviewed to make sure data exist and are collected to populate the required measures. On the basis of the annual review, the department makes recommendations to revise, delete, or add performance measures that are aligned to current programs and statutory requirements. While actual changes to the performance measures or standards will require approval from the Legislature and the Office of the Governor, recommendations for revisions are included in the annual LRPP document along with a rationale for each proposed change.

The State Board of Education and the department place the highest priority on using education data to drive student improvement. Additionally, the State Board of Education continuously reviews and raises achievement expectations as necessary to ensure students are prepared for the rigor of postsecondary education and the workforce. Historical grading trends show definite patterns in school grades resulting from raising standards, particularly among the lowest-performing schools. Since the public schools performance measures and standards are based on the number and percent of A, B, and D grades that are reported, the effect that "raising the bar" had upon school grades, student achievement, and other performance measures is reflected in several of the performance measures in the LRPP.

While the LRPP includes a significant and important list of performance measures and standards, the list is not exhaustive. Education, like business and industry, has realized the importance of data-driven management. Further, education choices made by students and parents about enrollment at schools, colleges, and universities are greatly influenced by the data that are available publicly.

The State Board of Education and the department have a legacy of transparency of student, staff, and finance data. A tour of the sites available on the site index of the department website reveals numerous significant and meaningful measures in addition to those reported in the LRPP, which reveal with data the strengths and weaknesses of Florida public education. Indicators of school status and performance of public schools for each of Florida's school districts are available by viewing the school accountability reports at: http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/.

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards					
Department:	Department: Education Department No.: 48				
Program:	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation	Code: 48180000			
Service/Budget Entity: General Program Code:					

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number/percent of customers gainfully employed (rehabilitated) in at least 90 days	11,500 / 65%	6,523 / 43.4%	11,500 / 65%	6,000 / 56%
Number/percent of VR customers with a significant disability who are gainfully employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	9,775 / 58.5%	6,450 / 43.4%	9,775 / 58.5%	N/A Delete
Number/percent of VR customers with a disability employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	2,000 / 76%	73 / 47.7%	2,000 / 76%	N/A Delete
Number/percent of VR customers placed in competitive employment (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	11,213 / 97.5%	6,409 / 98.3%	11,213 / 97.5%	N/A Delete
Number/percent of VR customers retained in employment after 1 year – estimated from two quarters of data	6,300 / 67.5%	6,975 / 64.1%	6,300 / 67.5%	6,300 / 60%
Average annual earning of VR customers at placement (Recommend Deletion)	\$17,500	\$17,242	\$17,500	N/A Delete
Average hourly wage of VR customers gainfully employed at employment outcome (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	NA	\$10.98	N/A	\$10.00
Average annual earning of VR customers after 1 year – estimated from two quarters of data	\$18,500	\$17,384	\$18,500	\$16,000
Percent of case costs covered by third-party payers (Recommend Deletion)	23%	2.9%	23%	N/A Delete
Average cost of case life (to division) for VR customers with a significant disability	\$3,350	\$3,612	\$3,350	\$3,600

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Average cost of case life (to division) for VR customers with a disability (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	\$400	\$3,772	\$400	N/A Delete
Number of customers reviewed for eligibility	29,000	24,569	29,000	27,500
Number of written service plans	24,500	16,831	24,500	20,100
Number of active cases	37,500	55,457	37,500	50,000
Customer caseload per counselor	125	127	125	90
Percent of eligibility determinations completed in compliance with federal law	95%	92.3%	95%	95%
Number of Program applicants provided reemployment services (Recommend Deletion – Chapter 2012-135, Laws of Florida, eliminated duties of the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, in the Department of Education and transferred program responsibilities to the Department of Financial Services, Division of Workers' Compensation.)	2,525	N/A	2,525	N/A Delete
Percent of eligible injured workers receiving reemployment services with closed cases during the fiscal year and returning to suitable gainful employment (Recommend Deletion – Chapter 2012-135, Laws of Florida, eliminated duties of the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, in the Department of Education and transferred program responsibilities to the Department of Financial Services, Division of Workers' Compensation.)	76%	N/A	76%	N/A Delete

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards					
Department: Education Department No.: 48					
Program:	Division of Blind Services	Code: 48180000			
Service/Budg	Service/Budget Entity: Code:				

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number/percent of rehabilitation customers gainfully employed at least 90 days (regardless of wage earned)	747 / 68.3%	700 / 48.41%	747 / 68.3%	747 / 51.6%
Number/percent rehabilitation customers placed in competitive employment (at or above minimum wage)	654 / 64.3%	689 / 98.43%	654 / 64.3%	700 / 93.7%
Projected average annual earnings of rehabilitation customers at placement	\$16,500	\$21,046	\$16,500	\$21,046
Number/percent successfully rehabilitated Independent Living customers, non-vocational rehabilitation	1,700 / 55.2%	1,667 / 86.96%	1,700 / 55.2%	1,700 / 88.6%
Number/percent of Early Intervention/Blind Babies customers successfully transitioned from the Blind Babies Program to the Children's Program (preschool to school)	100 / 67.3%	160 / 88.4%	100 / 67.3%	160 / 88.4%
Number/percent of customers exiting the Children's Program who are determined eligible for the Vocational Rehabilitation Transition Services Program	70 / 26.5%	47 / 32.63%	70 / 26.5%	47 / 32.63%
Number of customers (cases) reviewed for eligibility	4,000	4,715	4,000	4,000
Number of initial written service plans	1,425	3,948	1,425	3,500
Number of customers	13,100	11,187	13,100	11,187
Average time lapse (days) between application and eligibility determination for rehabilitation customers	60	26	60	60
Customer caseload per counseling/case management team member	114	80	114	85

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Cost per library customer served	\$19.65	\$49.64	\$19.65	\$52.50
Number of blind vending food service facilities supported	153	143	153	145
Number of existing food service facilities renovated	5	6	5	5
Number of new food service facilities constructed	5	5	5	5
Number of library customers served	44,290	34,283	44,290	36,000
Number of library items (Braille and recorded) loaned	1.35 M	1.77 M	1.35 M	1.35 M
Number/percentage of licensed operators meeting or exceeding program and profit margin expectations for the type of facility enterprise (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	117 / 98%	TBD	TBD
Number/percentage of licensed operators placed in enterprises (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	14 / 67%	TBD	TBD

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards					
Department:	Education	Department No.: 48			
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities	Code: 48190000			
Service/Budg	Service/Budget Entity: Code:				

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Graduation rate of first time in college (FTIC) award recipients, using a 6-year rate (Florida Resident Access Grant – FRAG), and delineated by overall rate, Independent Colleges and Universities (ICUF), State University System (SUS), and Florida College System (FCS) <i>(Recommend Deletion)</i>	50%	FRAG 6-YEAR GRAD RATE: Overall: 61% ICUF: 57% SUS: 5% FCS: 0%	50%	N/A Delete
Number of degrees granted for FRAG recipients and contract program recipients <i>(Recommend Substitution)</i>	9,987	9,137	9,987	9,987
Number of degrees granted to FRAG recipients (total number of students who are found in the reporting year as earning a degree and receiving FRAG) <i>(Recommended Substitute Measure)</i>	TBD	5,523	TBD	TBD
Retention rate of award recipients (delineate by: Academic Contract, FRAG, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) (<i>Recommend Substitution</i>)	53%	FRAG Overall: 8,834 / 59% HBCU: 628 / 48%	53%	53%
Retention rate of FRAG recipients (<i>Recommend Substitute Measure</i>)	TBD	FRAG Overall: 8,834 / 59%	TBD	TBD
Graduation rate of award recipients (Delineate by: Academic Contract; FRAG; HBCU) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	50%	FRAG HBCU: 94 / 7.0%	50%	N/A Delete

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Of those graduates remaining in Florida, the percent employed at \$22,000 or more one year following graduation (Delineate by: Academic Contract; FRAG; HBCU) (<i>Recommend Substitution</i>)	TBD	ICUF: Percent employed one year after graduation – 64.4% HBCU: Percent employed one year after graduation – 72.78%	TBD	TBD
Graduates remaining in Florida (one year after graduation): Of all FRAG recipients who graduate in a given year, the number and percent found employed in Florida one year after graduation (<i>Recommended Substitute Measure</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Percent of FRAG recipients found employed in Florida one year following graduation (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	TBD	ICUF: 64.4 % Remaining in Florida	TBD	N/A Delete
Of those graduates remaining in Florida, the percent employed at \$22,000 or more five years following graduation (Delineate by: Academic Contract; FRAG; and HBCU) (<i>Recommend</i> <i>Substitution</i>)	TBD	FRAG: Number and percent employed at \$22,000 or more five years after graduation: 6,361 / 39.52% HBCU: Number and percent employed at \$22,000 or more five years after graduation: 312 / 45.88%	TBD	TBD

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Graduates remaining in Florida (five years after graduation): Of all FRAG recipients who graduate in a given year, the number and percent found employed in Florida five years after graduation (<i>Recommended Substitute Measure</i>)	TBD	FRAG: Number and percent employed at \$22,000 or more five years after graduation: 5,361 / 39.25%	TBD	TBD
Licensure/certification rates of award recipients (where applicable), (Delineated by: Academic Contract; FRAG, HBCU) (<i>Recommend continued efforts to obtain data</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Number/percent of baccalaureate degree recipients who are found placed in an occupation identified as high-wage/high-skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list (this measure would be for each Academic Contract and for the FRAG) (Recommend Deletion)	TBD	TBD	TBD	N/A Delete
Number of prior year's graduates (Delineate by: Academic Contract; FRAG; and HBCU) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	N/A Delete
Number of prior year's graduates (FRAG) (<i>Recommend</i> Addition)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Number of prior year's graduates remaining in Florida (Academic Contracts) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	N/A Delete
Number of FTIC students, disaggregated by in-state and out-of- state (HBCU) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	N/A Delete

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards			
Department: Education Department No.: 48			
Program: Student Financial Assistance Program—State	Code: 48200200		
Service/Budget Entity:	Code:		

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2011-12 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2011-12 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2013-14 Standard (Numbers)
Percent of high school graduates who successfully completed the 19 core credits (Bright Futures) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	63%	See Following Recommended Measure to be Substituted	63%	N/A Delete
Percent of standard diploma recipients who have completed the required courses for Bright Futures (<i>Recommend Measure to be Substituted</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Retention rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system, using a four-year rate for Florida Colleges and a six-year rate for universities (Bright Futures) <i>(Recommend Deletion)</i>	TBD	See Following Recommended Measure to be Substituted	TBD	N/A Delete
Graduation rate of FTIC award recipients (Bright Futures), by delivery system (Florida College System (FCS) and State University System (SUS))	FCS: 19.9% SUS: 48.1%	FCS: 91.0% SUS: 92.0%	FCS: 19.9% SUS: 48.1%	FCS: 19.9% SUS: 48.1%
Percent of high school graduates attending Florida postsecondary institutions (Bright Futures) (Recommend Deletion)	52%	See Following Recommended Measure to be Substituted	52%	N/A Delete
Number of students eligible for initial Bright Futures Scholarship who enroll and are disbursed in a Florida postsecondary education institution, reported by award type (Florida Academic Scholarship (FAS), Florida Medallion Scholarship (FMS), Gold Seal Vocational (GSV) Scholarship) (<i>Recommend Measure to</i> <i>be Substituted</i>)	TBD	FAS = 12,084 FMS = 32,270 GSV = 492 Total = 44,846*	TBD	TBD

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number of Bright Futures recipients (from March 2013 Estimating Conference, Office of Economic and Demographic Research)	149,384	162,531	152,164	133,482
Retention rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system, using a four-year rate for Florida Colleges and a six-year rate for universities (Florida Student Assistance Grant) (Recommend Deletion)	2.4% CC 2.4% SUS	See Following Recommended Measure to be Substituted	2.4% CC 2.4% SUS	N/A Delete
Retention rate of recipients of Florida Student Assistance Grant, using a two-year rate (<i>Recommend Measure to be</i> <i>Substituted</i>)	TBD	FCS: 82% SUS: 87%	TBD	TBD
Graduation rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system (Florida Student Assistance Grant)	27.4% CC 31.6% SUS	FCS: 34% SUS: 58%	27.4% CC 31.6% SUS	27.4% CC 31.6% SUS
Percent of recipients who, upon completion of the program, work in fields in which there are shortages (Critical Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program) (<i>Recommend Deletion –</i> <i>The Critical Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program was</i> <i>repealed by the 2011 Florida Legislature</i>)	100%	Program not funded; therefore, no recipients for percentages in work fields.	Program repealed in 2011.	Program repealed in 2011.
Number/percent of FRAG recipients who also receive Florida Student Assistance Grant (FSAG); non-need-based grant recipients who also have need-based grants (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	FRAG: FSAG recipients also receiving FRAG: 13,281	TBD	TBD
Number/percent of Bright Futures recipients who also receive Florida Student Assistance Grant (merit-based grant recipients who also have need-based grants) (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	BFS students also receiving FSAG: 23,235	TBD	TBD

* Data as of 08/09/2013

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards				
Department: Education	Department No.: 48			
Program: State Grants/PreK-12 Program—FEFP	Code: 48250300			
Service/Budget Entity:	Code:			

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number/percent of teachers with National Teacher's Certification, reported by district (Note: Data reported by National Board for Professional Teaching Standards) (Recommend Deletion Due to Budget Reductions)	4,853 / 3%	94 / >1%	4,853 / 3%	N/A Delete
Number/percent of "A" schools, reported by district (Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels; high school grades will be available in late 2012)	600 / 25%	760 / 29%	600 / 25%	760 / 29%
Number/percent of "A" schools (Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels; high school grades will be available in late 2012) (<i>Recommend Substitution</i>)	600 / 25%	760 / 29%	600 / 25%	760 / 29%
Number/percent of "D" or "F" schools, reported by district (Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels; high school grades will be available in late 2012)	300 / 12%	460 / 17%	300 / 12%	460 / 17%
Number/percent of "D" or "F" schools (Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels; high school grades will be available in late 2011) (<i>Recommend Substitution</i>)	300 / 12%	460 / 17%	300 / 12%	460 / 17%
Number/percent of schools declining one or more letter grades, reported by district (Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels; high school grades will be available in late 2012)	193 / 8%	1,345 / 53%	193 / 8%	1,345 / 53%

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number/percent of schools declining one or more letter grades (Note: school grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels. School grades for high schools will not be available until late 2012) (<i>Recommend Substitution</i>)	193 / 8%	1,345 / 53%	193 / 8%	1,345 / 53%
Number/percent of schools improving one or more letter grades, reported by district (Note: school grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels. School grades for high schools will not be available until late 2012)	966 / 40%	148 / 6%	966 / 40%	148 / 6%
Number/percent of schools improving one or more letter grades (Note: school grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels. School grades for high schools will not be available until late 2012) (<i>Recommend Substitution</i>)	966 / 40%	148 / 6%	966 / 40%	148 / 6%
Florida's federal high school graduation rate (<i>Recommend</i> Addition)	TBD	74.5%	TBD	74.5%
Number of students taking college credit courses in high school (AP, IB, AICE, and Dual Enrollment) (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	45%	TBD	45%
Percent of standard high school diploma recipients who enroll in postsecondary education one year after high school graduation, reported by sector (postsecondary continuation rate) (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Percent of children served in VPK who were determined "ready" for kindergarten as measured by the FLKRS (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	TBD*	TBD	TBD

*Data not yet available; actual most recent data was 79.37% for 2011-12.

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards				
Department: Education Department No.: 48				
Program: Workforce Education/Division of Career and Adult Education	Code: 48250800			
Service/Budget Entity:	Code:			

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program identified as high-wage/high- skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list, who are found employed at \$4,680 or more per quarter (Level III) <i>(Recommend Deletion)</i>	2,055 / 53%	3,847 / 42.16%	2,055 / 53%	N/A Delete
Credential attainment - career education certificate completers, placed in full-time employment, military enlistment, or continuing education at a higher level (Data include students completing programs at Florida colleges and technical centers) (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	17,635 / 51.25%	TBD	TBD
Number/percent of college credit career certificate completers who are placed in full-time employment, military enlistment, or continuing education at a higher level <i>(Recommend Addition)</i>	TBD	14,760 / 66.95%	TBD	TBD
Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program identified for new entrants on the Workforce Estimating Conference list, who are found employed at \$3,900 or more per quarter or continuing education in a college credit program (Level II) <i>(Recommend Deletion)</i>	4,700 / 60%	17,635 / 51%	4,700 / 60%	N/A Delete

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program not included in Levels II or III, who are found employed, enlisted in the military, or continuing education at the vocational certificate level (Level I) <i>(Recommend Deletion)</i>	21,115 / 70%	14,760 / 67%	21,115 / 70%	N/A Delete
Number/percent of workforce development programs that meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards for those programs that teach a subject matter for which there is a nationally recognized accrediting body (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	TBD	Not Available	TBD	N/A Delete
Number/percent of students attending workforce development programs that meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	TBD	Not Available	TBD	N/A Delete
Number/percent of students completing workforce development programs that meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	TBD	Not Available	TBD	N/A Delete
Number of adult basic education completers, including English as a Second Language, and adult secondary education completion point completers, who are found employed or continuing their education (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	73,346 / TBD	54,046 / 69%	73,346 / TBD	N/A Delete
Number/percent of adult basic education completers who are found employed full-time, in the U.S. Armed Forces, or continuing their education (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	Not Available	TBD	TBD
Number/percent of students in career certificate and credit hour technical programs who took an industry certification or technical skill assessment exam approved by the Department of Education (<i>New Measure-Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	Not Available	TBD	TBD
Number/percent of students taking an approved industry certification or technical skill attainment exam who earned a certification or passed a technical assessment exam (New Measure-Recommend Addition)	TBD	Not Available	TBD	TBD

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards			
Department: Education	Department No.: 48		
Program: Florida College Programs	Code: 48400600		
Service/Budget Entity:	Code:		

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Number/percent of A.S. degree and college-credit certificate program completers who finished a program identified as high- wage/high-skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and who are found employed at \$4,680 or more per quarter (Level III) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	5,516 / 35%	6,803 / 62%	5,516 / 35%	N/A Delete
Number/percent of A.S. degree and college-credit certificate program completers who finished a program identified for new entrants on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$3,900 or more per quarter, or are found continuing education in a college-credit program (Level II) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	4,721 / 30%	11,836 / 70.97%	4,721 / 30%	N/A Delete
Number/percent of A.S. degree and college-credit certificate program completers who finished any program not included in Levels II or III and are found employed, enlisted in the military, or continuing their education at the vocational certificate level (Level I) (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	3,024 / 19%	5,723 / 83.24%	3,024 / 19%	N/A Delete
Percent of A.A. degree graduates who transfer to a state university within two years (<i>Recommend Modification – below</i>)	62%	55.77%	62%	55.77%
Transfer rates of associate degree graduates who transfer within two years to the upper division at a Florida College System institution or state university <i>(Recommend Modification)</i>	TBD	SUS: 45.8% FCS: 12.0%	TBD	SUS: 45.8% FCS: 12.0%
Percent of A.A. degree transfers to the State University System who earn a 2.5 or above in the SUS after one year	75%	73%	75%	75%

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Of the A.A. graduates who are employed full-time rather than continuing their education, the percent who are in jobs earning at least \$9 an hour (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	59%	7,290 / 90.39%	59%	N/A Delete
Of the A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the percent who graduate in four years.	33%	42%	33%	42%
Percent of students graduating with total accumulated credit hours that are less than or equal to 120 percent of the degree requirement	38%	45%	38%	45%
Percent of students exiting the college-preparatory program who enter college-level course work associated with the A.A., A.S., Postsecondary Vocational Certificate, and Postsecondary Adult Vocational programs	74%	81%	74%	81%
Percent of A.A. degree transfers to the State University System who started in College Prep and who earn a 2.5 in the SUS after one year	75%	70%	75%	70%
Number/percent of A.A. partial completers transferring to the SUS with at least 40 credit hours (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	17,796 / 61.5%	TBD	17,796 / 61.5%	N/A Delete
Use measure reported for Performance Based Program Budgeting; for consistency, change threshold to 45 credit hours (<i>Recommend Modification</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Number/percent/FTEs of A.A. students who do not complete 18 credit hours within four years (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	5,346 / 23.3% 2,275 FTE	15,1512 / 29.6% 3,674 FTE	5,346 / 23.3% 2,275 FTE	N/A Delete
Of economically disadvantaged A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within four years (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	2,138 / 34%	8,546 / 40%	2,138 / 34%	N/A Delete
Of disabled A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within four years (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	153 / 31%	417 / 37%	153 / 31%	N/A Delete
Of black male A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within four years (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	126 / 18%	TBD	126 / 18%	N/A Delete

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Of the English as Second Language (college prep) or English for Non-Speaker (college credit) students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within four years (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	105 / 31%	211 / 25.0%	105 / 31%	N/A Delete
Of the A.A. graduates who have not transferred to the SUS or an independent college or university, the number/percent who are found placed in an occupation identified as high-wage/high- skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	2,900	9,757 / 31.32%	2,900	N/A Delete
Percent of prior year Florida high school graduates enrolled in Florida colleges	31%	45,686 / 37.58%	31%	39.5%
Number of A.A. degrees granted	29,880	57,690	29,880	57,690
Number of students receiving college preparatory instruction	118,471	154,734*	118,471	154,734
Number of students enrolled in baccalaureate programs offered on Florida college campuses	22,000	30,215	22,000	30,000
Number of BA/BS graduates of Florida college baccalaureate degree programs <i>(Recommend Addition)</i>	TBD	5,009	TBD	5,000
Percentage of students earning a grade "C" or better in traditional/campus-based, online/distance learning, or hybrid courses (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	Fall 2012: Traditional: 72.0% Distance: 70.0% Hybrid: 75.0%	TBD	Traditional: 72.0% Distance: 70.0% Hybrid: 75.0%
Percentage of developmental education completers who go on to complete a college-level course in the same subject within two academic years of entry <i>(Recommend Addition)</i>	TBD	Total Fall 2009-10 to Summer 2011-12: Reading: 69.6% Writing: 68.0% Math: 53.8%	TBD	Reading: 69.6% Writing: 68.0% Math: 53.8%
Retention rates for AA and AAS/AS students (Recommend Addition)	TBD	65%	TBD	65%
Total number of degrees and certificates awarded (Recommend Addition)	TBD	105,886	TBD	105,886

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards				
Department: Education Department No.: 48				
Program: State Board of Education	Code: 48800000			
Service/Budget Entity:	Code:			

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Percent of program administration and support costs and positions compared to total agency costs and positions - Division of Public Schools (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	0.09% / 7.89%	TBD	0.09% / 7.89%	N/A Delete
Number of districts that have implemented a high-quality professional development system, as determined by the Department of Education, based on its review of student performance data and the success of districts in defining and meeting the training needs of teachers (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	67	67	67	N/A Delete
Percent of current fiscal year competitive grants initial disbursement made by August 15 of current fiscal year, or as provided in the General Appropriations Act <i>(Recommend Deletion)</i>	100%	NA	100%	N/A Delete
Issue all audit resolution and management decision letters within six month of receipt of audit findings, with 100 percent accuracy <i>(Recommend Addition)</i>	100%	100%	100%	100%
Issue all non-competitive project applications for state or federal funds without error within an average of 35 calendar days from the date of receipt by the Department of Education (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	100%	100%	100%	100%
Post all formal procurements with 100% accuracy within three days of receipt of the final from the designated program office <i>(Recommend Addition)</i>	100%	100%	100%	100%

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Process, with 100% accuracy, all contract documents received by Contract Administration within an average of two calendar days from the date of receipt from the designated program office (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of certification applications processed (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	109,275	115,902	109,275	N/A Delete
Percent of Educator Certification eligibility evaluation outcomes processed within 30 days or less (90-day statutory requirement) (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	90%	100%	90%	90%
Average number of days it takes to determine an applicant's eligibility for Educator Certification after receipt of a complete application (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	15 days	8 days	15 days	15 days
Percent of teacher certificates issued within 30 days after receipt of complete application and the mandatory fingerprint clearance notification	90%	99%	90%	90%
Percent of program administration and support costs and positions compared to total agency costs and positions (<i>Recommend Deletion</i>)	0.10% / 4.15%	.67%	0.10% / 4.15%	N/A Delete
Percent of Division of Colleges and Universities administration and support costs and positions compared to total state university system costs and positions (SUS positions are not appropriated) (<i>Recommend Addition</i>)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

LRPP Exhibit II - Performance Measures and Standards		
Department: Education Department No.: 48		
Program: State Board of Education Code: 480000000		
Service/Budge	et Entity: Commission for Independent Education	Code:

Approved Performance Measures for FY 2013-14 (Words)	Approved Prior Year Standard FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Prior Year Actual FY 2012-13 (Numbers)	Approved Standards for FY 2013-14 (Numbers)	Requested FY 2014-15 Standard (Numbers)
Percentage of Licensure Applications received by the Commission that are responded to within 30 days	95%	96.78%	95%	95%
Percentage of Licensure Applications deemed complete that are reviewed and placed on an agenda within 90 days	N/A	98.59%	95%	95%
Percentage of complaints received by the Commission that are responded to within 7 days	N/A	94.69%	98%	98%
Percentage of institutional responses to complaints that are received by the Commission within 20 calendar days of the institution's receipt of the Commission's letter	N/A	91.51%	85%	85%
Percentage of institutions holding a Provisional License or an Annual License that received an on-site visitation	50%	76.10%	50%	50%

ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE FOR APPROVED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

LRPP EXHIBIT III

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure:	Number/percent of customers gainfully employed
	(rehabilitated) at least 90 days

Action:

- Performance Assessment of <u>Outcome</u> Measure
- Performance Assessment of Output Measure
- Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards

Revision of Measure

] Deletion of Measure

Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference
65%	43.4%	-21.6%	-33.2%
11,500	6,523	(4,977)	-43.3%

Factors Accounting for the Difference:

Internal Factors (check all that apply):

Personnel Factors

Competing Priorities

Previous Estimate Incorrect

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	Level of Training
	Other (Identify)

Explanation:

The actual performance results fell below the approved standards because the Division invoked an Order of Selection.

Standards for this measure should be adjusted because the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation invoked an Order of Selection, consistent with the Federal Rehabilitation Act, on August 4, 2008. Federal law requires priority to be given to individuals with the "most significant disabilities" and that these individuals are served first when resources are not sufficient to serve all persons with disabilities. The emphasis on customers with significant disabilities competes with the approved standard goal of 11,500 customers (65.0%) gainfully employed. This is because these individuals typically require a greater investment of resources and more involvement with their counselors, and take longer to complete rehabilitation than do customers with a disability.

External Factors (check all that apply):Resources UnavailableLegal/Legislative ChangeTarget Population ChangeThis Program/Service Cannot Fix the ProbleCurrent Laws Are Working Against the Agen	
Explanation:	
Management Efforts to Address Differences/	Problems (check all that apply):
Recommendations:	

Standards for this measure should be revised for the reasons stated above, to 6,000 customers and a rate of 56%.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity: Measure:	General Program Number/percent of Vocational Rehabilitation customers with a significant disability who are gainfully employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days

Action:

Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure

Performance Assessment of Output Measure

Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards

	Revision of Measure
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Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference
58.5%	43.4%	-15.1%	-25.8%
9,775	6,450	(3,325)	-34.0%

Factors Accounting for the Difference:

Internal Factors (check all that apply):

Personnel Factors

Competing Priorities

Previous Estimate Incorrect

	Staff Ca	bacity
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ng Other (Identify)

Explanation:

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation invoked an Order of Selection, consistent with the Federal Rehabilitation Act, on August 4, 2008. Federal law requires priority to be given to individuals with the "most significant disabilities" and that these individuals are served first when resources are not sufficient to serve all persons with disabilities. The emphasis on customers with significant disabilities competes with the approved standard of 9,775 customers (58.5%) gainfully employed. This is because these individuals typically require a greater investment of resources and more involvement with their counselors, and take longer to complete the rehabilitation process than do customers with a disability.

The division fell short in the performance results of all customers gainfully employed. While the same elements operated here as for the previous outcome measure, these customers typically require more resources and are less likely to succeed due to the significance of their disabilities.

 External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Legal/Legislative Change Target Population Change This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Proble Current Laws Are Working Against the Ager 	
Explanation:	
Management Efforts to Address Differences/ Training Personnel	Problems (check all that apply): ☐ Technology ⊠ Other (Identify)
Recommendations: This measure should be deleted for the reasons	stated above.

Service/Budget Entity:General ProgramMeasure:Number/percent of		cational Rehabilitation am nt of all Vocational Reha sy who are gainfully emp		
Action:				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
76%	47.7%	-28.3%	-37.2%	
2,000	73	(1,927)	-96.4%	
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply):				
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify) Recommendations:				
	e deleted for the reason s	stated above.		

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Department: Department of Education Program: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Service/Budget Entity: General Program Measure: Number/percent of Vocational Rehabilitation customers			itation customers	
placed in competitive employment Action: □ □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Revision of Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Revision of Measure □ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □ Deletion of Measure				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
97.5%	98.3%	0.8%	0.8%	
11,213	6,409	(4,804)	-42.8%	
Internal Factors (check all that apply):				
External Factors (check all that apply): Technological Problems Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Øther (Identify)				
Recommendations: This measure should be deleted for the reasons stated above. If the measure is retained, the standards should be adjusted to align them with proposed modifications to the standards for outcome measure one, number/percent of customers gainfully employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days.				

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LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT				
Department:Department of EducationProgram:Division of Vocational RehabilitationService/Budget Entity:General ProgramMeasure:Number/percent of Vocational Rehabilitation customers retained in employment after 1 year				
Action:				
Approved Standard	Projected Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
67.5%	64.1%	-3.4%		
67.5% 6,300	1		-5.0% -10.7%	
0,300	6,975	(675)	-10.7%	
Internal Factors (check all that apply): Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify) Explanation: The percentage performance falling below the approved standard most likely occurred from placing an emphasis on serving customers with most significant disabilities first. Customers with the most significant disabilities are not as likely to maintain employment at a high rate for one year or longer. Therefore, the percentage of attainment for the standard should be decreased. . External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Other (Identify)				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify) Recommendation: The standard for this measure should be reduced to 60% for the reasons stated above.				

Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Revision of Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Deletion of Measure □ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □ Deletion of Measure ▲ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □ Deletion of Measure ▲ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □ Difference Percentage ▲ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □ Difference Difference ▲ \$17,500 \$17,242 (\$258) -1.5% Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): □ Staff Capacity □ Competing Priorities □ Level of Training □ □ Previous Estimate Incorrect □ Other (Identify) Explanation: The measure should be deleted and replaced by a measure of the average hourly wage for customers placed in gainful employment. The current measure requires the fallacious assumption that every customer who enters employment works 40 hours per week. It also requires the assumption that the person continues employment for 52 weeks of the year. Shifting to a measure of the average hourly wage would align Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation with the measures of the Federal Rehabilitation Services Administration.<	Department:Department of EducationProgram:Division of Vocational RehabilitationService/Budget Entity:General ProgramMeasure:Average annual earnings of Vocational Rehabilitation customers at placement				
Results (Over/Under) Difference \$17,500 \$17,242 (\$258) -1.5% Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Staff Capacity Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify) Explanation: This measure should be deleted and replaced by a measure of the average hourly wage for customers placed in gainful employment. The current measure requires the fallacious assumption that every customer who enters employment works 40 hours per week. It also requires the assumption that the person continues employment for 52 weeks of the year. Shifting to a measure of the average hourly wage would align Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation with the measures of the Federal Rehabilitation Services Administration. External Factors (check all that apply): Technological Problems Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster	 Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure Performance Assessment of Output Measure Deletion of Measure 				
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify) Explanation: This measure should be deleted and replaced by a measure of the average hourly wage for customers placed in gainful employment. The current measure requires the fallacious assumption that every customer who enters employment works 40 hours per week. It also requires the assumption that the person continues employment for 52 weeks of the year. Shifting to a measure of the average hourly wage would align Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation with the measures of the Federal Rehabilitation Services Administration. External Factors (check all that apply): Technological Problems Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster	Approved Standard				
Internal Factors (check all that apply): □ Staff Capacity □ Personnel Factors □ Level of Training □ Previous Estimate Incorrect □ Other (Identify) Explanation: This measure should be deleted and replaced by a measure of the average hourly wage for customers placed in gainful employment. The current measure requires the fallacious assumption that every customer who enters employment works 40 hours per week. It also requires the assumption that the person continues employment for 52 weeks of the year. Shifting to a measure of the average hourly wage would align Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation with the measures of the Federal Rehabilitation Services Administration. External Factors (check all that apply): □ Technological Problems □ Legal/Legislative Change □ Technological Problems	\$17,500	\$17,242		-1.5%	
Rehabilitation with the measures of the Federal Rehabilitation Services Administration. External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster	Internal Factors (check all that apply): □ □ Personnel Factors □ □ Competing Priorities □ □ Previous Estimate Incorrect □ ○ Other (Identify) Explanation: This measure should be deleted and replaced by a measure of the average hourly wage for customers placed in gainful employment. The current measure requires the fallacious assumption that every customer who enters employment works 40 hours per week. It also				
 This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission 					
Explanation:					
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify) Recommendations: This measure should be deleted and replaced with a measure of the average hourly wage based on the reasons state above. The standard should be set at \$10.00 per hour in recognition of customers with significant disabilities and the substantial decrease in customers who are self-supporting at acceptance.					

Service/Budget Entity: General Progra		<u>cational Rehabilitation</u> <u>am</u> al earnings of Vocational Rehabilitation		
Action:				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
\$18,500	\$17,384	(\$1,116)	-6.0%	
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify)				
Explanation: The performance result fell below the approved standard because of the emphasis on serving customers with the most significant disabilities consistent with the Order of Selection. Customers with significant disabilities may find it harder to enter employment with high wages. Therefore, the standard for this measure should be reduced.				
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)				
Recommendations: The standard for this m	neasure should be reduce	ed to \$16,000 for the reaso	ons stated above.	

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure:	Percent of case costs covered by third-party payers

Action:

- Performance Assessment of <u>Outcome</u> Measure
 Performance Assessment of Output Measure
 - Adjustment of CAA Berformance Standards
- Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards

	Revision of Measure
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Approved Standard	Actual Performance	Difference	Percentage
	Results	(Over/Under)	Difference
23%	2.9%	-20.1%	-87.4%

Factors Accounting for the Difference:

Internal Factors (check all that apply):

Personnel Factors

Competing Priorities

Previous Estimate Incorrect

Explanation:

The performance fell below the approved standard, indicating that attention to recovery of monies competes with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation's mission of assisting persons with disabilities to gain or retain employment and increased independence. Recovery of the monies is a specialized task apart from the Division's mission of helping persons with a disability to obtain gainful employment. A cadre of employees in headquarters now has primary responsibility for the recovery process; this has contributed to improvement in this past fiscal year.

Another factor is that the information to be included in calculation of this measure has changed since the prior standard of 23 percent was set, but the standard was not corrected at that time.

This measure should be deleted because the division has little control over the results. Both state and federal law prohibit deliberately seeking customers based on the likelihood of recovery of funds.

External Factors (check all that apply):

- Resources Unavailable
- Legal/Legislative Change

Target Population Change

This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem

Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission

Explanation:

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation has slight control over performance on this measure. The agency cannot select clients whose costs are likely to be recoverable from a third-party payer, although the agency can emphasize the need to recover such monies, where possible.

Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply):

Personnel

☐ Technology☑ Other (Identify)

Recommendations:

This measure should be deleted for the reasons stated above.

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Other (Identify)

Staff Capacity
Level of Training

Other (Identify)

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity Measure:	y: <u>General Progr</u> Average cost	cational Rehabilitation		
Action:				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
\$3,350	\$3,612	(\$262)	7.8%	
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify) Explanation: The division serves first those individuals who have a most significant or significant disability, due to the Order of Selection. These individuals typically require more time and more resources, which means the average cost of case life is likely to increase.				
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission Explanation: Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)				
Recommendation: This measure should be increased to \$3,600 for the reason stated above.				

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity: Measure:	<u>Department of Education</u> <u>Division of Vocational Rehabilitation</u> <u>General Program</u> <u>Average cost of case life (to division) for Vocational</u> Rehabilitation customers with a disability
Action:	

Performance Assessment of <u>Outcome</u> Measure

Performance Assessment of <u>Output</u> Measure

Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards

Revision of MeasureDeletion of Measure

Approved Standard	Actual Performance	Difference	Percentage
	Results	(Over/Under)	Difference
\$400	\$3,772	(\$3,372)	843.0%

Factors Accounting for the Difference:

Internal Factors (check all that apply):

Personnel Factors

Competing Priorities

Previous Estimate Incorrect

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Explanation:

This is a variation on the previous measure addressing a different set of customers. Reduction of direct costs for services to customers competes with the state and federal mandates to provide services to persons to assist them in gaining or maintaining employment. Efforts are made to use other community resources, but availability of resources from many other community agencies has been reduced or eliminated due to changes in their policies or as a result of increased demand. Additionally, learning about community resources that can provide comparable benefits is one of the most time-consuming factors in the education of newly-hired counseling staff.

This measure should be deleted because the number of customers with a disability receiving services is currently limited due to the Order of Selection.

 External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Legal/Legislative Change Target Population Change This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Probl Current Laws Are Working Against the Age 	
Explanation:	
Management Efforts to Address Differences Training Personnel Recommendations: This measure should be deleted for the reason	 ☐ Technology ☑ Other (Identify)

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity Measure:	y: General Progra	cational Rehabilitation	ustomers reviewed	
Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
29,000	24,569	(4,431)	-15.3%	
Factors Accounting f Internal Factors (cheo Personnel Factors Competing Prioritie Previous Estimate	ck all that apply): es	 Staff Capacity Level of Training Other (Identify) 		
Explanation: The performance result fell below the approved standard due to the Order of Selection. Nevertheless, the division has worked for several years under the Order of Selection and the number of customers reviewed for eligibility appears to have stabilized. Therefore, the performance standard for this measure should be decreased. External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem				
	Working Against the Agen	icy Mission		
Explanation: Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify) Recommendations: The performance standard for this measure should be adjusted to 27,500 from the approved standard of 29,000, based on the reason stated above.				
standard of 29,000, ba	sed on the reason stated	adove.		

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity Measure:	r: General Progra	cational Rehabilitation		
Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Revision of Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Deletion of Measure □ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
24,500	16,831	(7,669)	-31.3%	
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Competing Priorities Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify)				
Explanation: The performance result fell below the approved standard, probably indicating newly-hired counselors who require approximately 18 months of orientation and training after they join the organization before they can be expected to work independently or carry a full caseload.				
The performance standard for this measure should be decreased because the number of written service plans has stabilized under the Order of Selection. The growing demand for services cannot be met with available financial resources, requiring the division to limit the number of new customers added to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation caseload.				
External Factors (check all that apply): Image: Check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Image: Check all that apply): Legal/Legislative Change Image: Check all that apply): Target Population Change Image: Check all that apply): This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Image: Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Øther (Identify)				
Recommendations: The standard for this measure should be decreased from the approved standard of 24,500 to the standard of 20,100, based on the reasons stated above.				

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT

Department: Department of Education Program: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Service/Budget Entity: General Program Measure: Number of active cases				
Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Revision of Measure ☑ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Deletion of Measure ☑ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
37,500	55,457	17,957	47.9%	
Factors Accounting fInternal Factors (chectPersonnel FactorsCompeting PrioritiePrevious Estimate	ck all that apply):	 Staff Capacity Level of Training Other (Identify) 		
	dard for this measure sho reased every year since \$		the average number	
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission 				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Øther (Identify)				
Recommendations: The performance standard for this measure should be increased to 50,000 from the approved standards of 37,500, based on the reason stated above.				

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT				
Department:Department of EducationProgram:Division of Vocational RehabilitationService/Budget Entity:General ProgramMeasure:Customer caseload per counselor				
Performance Asse	ssment of <u>Outcome</u> Mea ssment of <u>Output</u> Measu A Performance Standards	re 🗌 Deletion of N		
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
125	127	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1.6%	
Factors Accounting fInternal Factors (chectPersonnel FactorsCompeting PrioritiePrevious Estimate	ck all that apply): es	 ☐ Staff Capacity ☐ Level of Training ☑ Other (Identify) 		
Explanation: The standard for this measure should be decreased because the result of an informal survey of other states' vocational rehabilitation agencies established the desired caseload per counselor to be in the range of 90-100. Small caseloads improve the quality of rehabilitation by allowing customers more time with the counseling staff and increase the likelihood of success, e.g., customers placed in gainful employment. Small caseloads allow more time for each customer to spend with counseling staff, which is especially critical as the division focuses on customers with significant disabilities who traditionally require more resources than those with a lesser disability.				
External Factors (check all that apply):				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)				
Recommendations: The approved performance standard of 125 for this measure should be reduced to 90 for future state fiscal years for the reasons stated above.				

Department: Department of Education Program: Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Service/Budget Entity: General Program Measure: Percent of eligibility determinations completed in compliance with federal law				
Action: Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure Revision of Measure Performance Assessment of Output Measure Deletion of Measure Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
95%	92.3%	-2.7%	-2.8%	
Factors Accounting fInternal Factors (checPersonnel FactorsCompeting PrioritiePrevious Estimate	ck all that apply):	 Staff Capacity Level of Training Other (Identify) 		
Explanation: It is undetermined why the division fell below the approved standard with a small percentage difference of -2.8%. Random variations throughout the state fiscal year could account for this small difference.				
External Factors (check all that apply): Image: Technological Problems Resources Unavailable Image: Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Image: Natural Disaster Target Population Change Image: Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Image: Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)				
Recommendations: To improve training on eligibility determination to occur within 60 days of application, or the customer to be in extended evaluation or trial work, or the customer's agreement to an extension of the eligibility period must be documented in the customer's file.				
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Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity Measure: Action:	y: <u>Rehabilitation</u> Percent of elig services with o	Education cational Rehabilitation and Reemployment Ser ible injured workers rec closed cases during the uitable gainful employme	eiving reemployment fiscal year and		
 Performance Asse Performance Asse 	 Performance Assessment of <u>Outcome</u> Measure Performance Assessment of <u>Output</u> Measure Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards 				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference		
76%	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Factors Accounting f Internal Factors (chec Personnel Factors Competing Prioritie Previous Estimate	ck all that apply): es	 ☐ Staff Capacity ☐ Level of Training ☑ Other (Identify) 			
Explanation: The Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services (BRRS) was abolished effective July 1, 2012, in keeping with legislative intent, and responsibilities were transferred to the Department of Financial Services, Division of Workers' Compensation. External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission					
Explanation:					
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify) Recommendations: None.					

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity Measure:	Department of Education Division of Vocational Rehabilitation y: Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services Number of Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services program applicants provided reemployment services			
Performance Asses	ssment of <u>Outcome</u> Meas ssment of <u>Output</u> Measur A Performance Standards	e 🛛 🛛 Deletion of N		
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
2,525	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Factors Accounting fInternal Factors (checPersonnel FactorsCompeting PrioritiePrevious Estimate	ck all that apply): es	 ☐ Staff Capacity ☐ Level of Training ☑ Other (Identify) 		
Explanation: The Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services (BRRS) was abolished effective July 1, 2012, in keeping with legislative intent, and responsibilities were transferred to the Department of Financial Services, Division of Workers' Compensation.				
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)				
Recommendations:				

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Department: Department of Education Program: Division of Blind Services Service/Budget Entity: Blind Services Measure: Number/percent of rehabilitation customers gainfully employed at least 90 days				
Action:				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
747	700	-47	-6.29%	
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other Explanation: External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Economy) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem				
 Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission Explanation: The Division of Blind Services attributes its inability to achieve the SFY 2012-13 standard listed above to the nation's continued economic decline, a competitive increase in the job market, the increased number of eligible customers with secondary disabilities, and the increased number of customers with criminal backgrounds. 				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Outreach)				
 Recommendations: To address the deficiencies, the division recommends the following: 1. Hire additional employment placement specialists; 2. Develop strategies with each district to increase placements; 3. Encourage customers to consider returning to higher education; 4. Increase partnerships with local employers; and 5. Encourage collaboration with local community rehabilitation providers and other agencies in order to serve consumers with secondary disabilities. 				

LRPP Exhibit III:	PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT
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Department: Department of Education Program: Division of Blind Services Service/Budget Entity: Blind Services Measure: Number/percent successfully rehabilitated Independent Living customers, non-vocational				
Action:				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
1,700	1,667	-33	-1.94 %	
Factors Accounting fInternal Factors (checPersonnel FactorsCompeting PrioritiePrevious Estimate	ck all that apply): es	 ☐ Staff Capacity ☐ Level of Training ☑ Other (specify) 		
Explanation: The resulting deficience	y of 33 customers may be	e due to disproportionate of	outreach efforts.	
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Outrech) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission 				
Explanation:				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Personnel Other (specify)				
Recommendations: The Division of Blind Services continues to increase outreach efforts focused on the Independent Living populations (e.g., doctor's offices, senior living centers, various civic groups).				

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Action:

Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure

Performance Assessment of <u>Output</u> Measure

Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards

Revision of Measure
Deletion of Measure

Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference
70	47	-23	-32.86 %
26.5%	32.68%	+6.13%	+23.13%

Factors Accounting for the Difference:

Internal Factors (check all that apply):

Personnel Factors

Competing Priorities

Previous Estimate Incorrect

Staff	Са	pac	ity

Level of Training

Other (revise standard)

Explanation:

While the <u>percentage</u> portion of actual performance exceeded the approved standard for SFY2012-13, the <u>number</u> portion for the approved standard did not meet the expectation. This is due to the performance measure's language being revised to clarify which data elements should be included in the percentage calculation in order to accurately reflect the population of children who were eligible to move into the Vocational Rehabilitation Transition Services program.

There were a total of 120 successfully closed cases (goals met) in the Children's Program. An additional query determined that 47 of those cases were new to the Vocational Rehabilitation Transitional Services program. These 47 cases make up the number portion of the measure.

Twenty-four cases were closed unsuccessful (goals not met). The denominator was better defined to include the sum of the Unsuccessful closed cases (24) and the Successful closed cases (120).

External Factors (check all that apply):

Resources Unavailable

Legal/Legislative Change

Target Population Change

This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem

Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission

Explanation:

Management Efforts to Address Differences/Prob	lems (check all that apply).
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Training
Personnel

Technology

Technological Problems

Natural Disaster

Other (specify)

Other (specify)

Recommendation:

This recalculation should better assist the division in looking at future trends in the population of children found eligible for the Vocational Rehabilitation Transition Services Program.

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT					
Department:Department of EducationProgram:Division of Blind ServicesService/Budget Entity:Blind ServicesMeasure:Number of initial written service plans					
Performance Asse	Action:				
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference		
1,425	3,948	2,523	177%		
Factors Accounting f Internal Factors (cheo Personnel Factors Competing Prioritie Previous Estimate	k all that apply):	 Staff Capacity Level of Training Other 			
		eed the FY 2012-13 stand s and ongoing case mana			
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission 					
Explanation:					
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Specify)					
Recommendations: The division recommends that the standard be increased to 3,500 (a number more reflective of the upward trend in writing service plans for eligible Floridians).					

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT

Department:Department of EducationProgram:Division of Blind ServicesService/Budget Entity:Blind ServicesMeasure:Number of customers						
Action:						
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference			
13,100	11,187	-1,913	-14.6%			
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Timeliness)						
Explanation: The Division of Blind Services attributes its inability to achieve the SFY 2012-13 standard listed above (inclusive of all programs) to limited staff capacity for outreach to unserved and underserved populations across the state. In addition, changes in the restoration surgery requirement further restricted the number of eligible eye procedures, thus affecting the total number of customers served.						
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Population and Outreach) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission						
Explanation: Funding	resources do not suppor	t the current standard.				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Monitoring)						
Recommendations: The division recommends the continued monitoring of caseloads and policies.						

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT					
Department: Department of Education Program: Division of Blind Services Service/Budget Entity: Blind Services Measure: Cost per library customer served					
Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Revision of Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Deletion of Measure □ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □					
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference		
\$19.65	\$49.64	+\$29.99	152.6%		
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Federal requirement) Explanation: Under prior library administration, the cost for the performance standard was incorrectly calculated; the inflated number for total patrons served was used and only one quarter's cost—rather than the entire year's cost—was used for the calculation. The approved standard for SFY 2012-13 does not correctly reflect a realistic cost per customer, as it is significantly understated and has not been updated to reflect current economic conditions and rising costs. External Factors (check all that apply): Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster					
= •	ice Cannot Fix the Proble Working Against the Ager		<u> </u>		
Explanation:					
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (See above explanation) Recommendations: The division continues to recommend that this standard be updated. The performance standard for this measure should be increased to \$52.70, for the reasons stated above.					
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Department:Department of EducationProgram:Division of Blind ServicesService/Budget Entity:Blind ServicesMeasure:Number of blind vending food service facilities supported					
Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Revision of Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Deletion of Measure □ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □ Deletion of Measure					
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference		
153	143	-10	-6.5%		
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify)					
Explanation: The Bureau of Business Enterprise, working in corroboration with the State Committee of Blind Vendors, found it necessary to consolidate several facilities operated by blind vendors in order to ensure financial viability. Additionally, a review of financial losses incurred by blind vendors led to the closure of two snack bar facilities. These consolidations and closures resulted in a net loss of nine facilities during SFY 20012-13. For the year there was a net loss of four, from 147 to 143.					
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Economy) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission					
Explanation: Employee cutbacks at state and federal facilities have resulted in a continued climate of contraction rather than expansion. Few opportunities were available to advance the number of facilities to be added to the Business Enterprise Program. Employee populations in federal and state agencies, particularly the Kennedy Space Center and US Post Office letter processing centers, which make up most of the facilities serviced by blind vendors in the state, have been greatly reduced as a result of cutbacks and layoffs.					
Management Efforts ☐ Training ⊠ Personnel	o Address Differences/	Problems (check all that ☐ Technology ☑ Other (Identify)	apply):		
Recommendations: The bureau is aggressively pursuing opportunities where the Randolph-Sheppard Act gives priority to blind vendors, including military dining, the Veterans Administration, and state and federal buildings currently serviced by other companies. Specific strategies have been developed as a result of consultation with other State Licensing Agencies and national blind vendor associations. New marketing materials are being developed to assist in the promotion and expansion of business opportunities for the blind. We recommend that the standard be adjusted to a more reasonable achievable goal of 145.					

Department:Department of EducationProgram:Division of Blind ServicesService/Budget Entity:Bureau of Braille and Talking Books LibraryMeasure:Number of library customers served			<u>ibrary</u>		
Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Revision of Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Deletion of Measure □ Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards □					
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference		
44,290	34,283	-10,007	-22.6%		
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify) Explanation: Output for the library has purged the patron files to eliminate individuals who are no longer receiving materials or no longer have valid mailing addresses. Staff capacity was increased in October 2011 to include a Customer Development position to help in recruiting					
additional customers. External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Identify) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission					
Explanation: Under previous library administration, the patron counts were inflated for all deposit collections, which resulted in the higher number being set as a standard. Had that practice continued, the number of patrons would have continued to be grossly inflated and inappropriate.					
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)					
Recommendations: The Division of Blind Services continues to recommend that this standard be updated. In April 2013, the division filled a customer development position. The employee has begun to develop a comprehensive outreach plan in order to increase the number of library customers served.					
The performance standard for this measure should be decreased to 36,000, which is a more realistic number.					

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT				
Service/Budget Entity: <u>General Pro</u> Measure: <u>Number/pere</u> <u>occupationa</u> <u>within a pro</u> <u>Workforce E</u>		am nt persons earning voca completion points, at lea am identified as high wa imating Conference list 4,680 or more per quarte	ational certificate ist one of which is ige/high skill on the and are found er (Level III)	
Performance Asses	ssment of <u>Outcome</u> Meas ssment of <u>Output</u> Measur Performance Standards	e 🛛 🛛 Deletion of N		
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
2,055	3,847	1,792	87.20%	
53%	42.16%	-10.84%	-20.45%	
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Economy) Explanation: The percentage performance for this measure is below the approved standard because the economic recession that began in late 2007 resulted in a dramatic increase in the unemployment rate in Florida. Layoffs, staff reductions, and business closings across the state created a depressed market for job seekers. The criterion-referenced targets do not consider these significant changes in the labor market.				
External Factors (check all that apply): Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Economy) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission Explanation: Explanation:				
Economic Recession				
Management Efforts f	o Address Differences/	Problems (check all that ☐ Technology ☑ Other (Identify)	apply):	
Recommendations: This measure should be deleted because it excludes programs not linked to high-wage/high- skill occupations. New proposed labor market outcome measures will be more inclusive and will look for employment at any wage level among all postsecondary career and technical education programs. In addition, two new proposed measures will focus on third-party assessment of technical skills and the earning of industry-recognized credentials. This is a truer measure of the quality of the education delivered than labor market outcome measures, which are influenced by macroeconomic climate, local labor market supply and demand, and individual student-level variables outside of the influence of the educational program (e.g., personality, soft skills, drive, work habits, access to transportation, and child-care needs).				

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT				
Department: Department of Education Program: Workforce Education/Division of Career and Adult Education Education Service/Budget Entity: General Program Measure: Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program identified for new entrants on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$3,900 or more per quarter, or are found continuing education in a college credit program (Level II) Action: □ Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □ Performance Assessment of Output Measure □				
	Performance Standards		Dereentere	
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference	
4,700	17,635	12,935	275.21%	
60%	51.25%	-8.75%	-14.58%	
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Economy) Explanation: The percentage performance for this measure is below the approved standard because the economic recession that began in late 2007 resulted in a dramatic increase in the unemployment rate in Florida. Layoffs, staff reductions, and business closings across the state created a depressed market for job seekers. The criterion-referenced targets do not take into account these significant changes in the labor market.				
External Factors (check all that apply): Technological Problems Resources Unavailable Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Economic Recession) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Current Laws Are Working Against the Agency Mission				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)				
Recommendations: This measure should be deleted because it excludes programs not linked to high-wage/high- skill occupations. New proposed labor market outcome measures will be more inclusive and will look for employment at any wage level among all postsecondary career and technical education programs. In addition, two new proposed measures will focus on third-party assessment of technical skills and the earning of industry-recognized credentials. This is a truer measure of the quality of the education delivered than labor market outcome measures, which are influenced by macroeconomic climate, local labor market supply and demand, and individual student-level variables outside of the influence of the educational program (e.g., personality, soft skills, drive, work habits, access to transportation, and child-care needs). Attainment of an industry certification validates the instruction delivered in the educational program as meeting industry standards and producing individuals with skills employers are seeking.				

LRPP Exhibit III: PERFORMANCE MEASURE ASSESSMENT				
Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity: Measure:		Department of Education Workforce Education/Division of Career and Adult Education General Program Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program not included in Levels II or III and are found employed, enlisted in the military, or continuing their education at the vocational certificate level		
Action: Performance Asses Performance Asses Adjustment of GAA	ssment of	Output Measur		
Approved Standard		Performance esults	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference
21,115		14,760	-6,355	-30.10%
70%		66.95%	-3.05%	-4.36%
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Staff Capacity Competing Priorities Level of Training Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Economy) Explanation: The percentage performance for this measure is below the approved standard because the economic recession that began in late 2007 resulted in a dramatic increase in the unemployment rate in Florida. Layoffs, staff reductions, and business closings across the state created a depressed market for job seekers. The criterion-referenced targets do not consider these significant changes in the labor market. External Factors (check all that apply): Technological Problems Legal/Legislative Change Natural Disaster Target Population Change Other (Economy) This Program/Service Cannot Fix the Problem Other (Economy)				
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (See recommendation)				
Recommendation: This measure should be deleted because it excludes programs not linked to high-wage/high- skill occupations. New proposed labor market outcome measures will be more inclusive and will look for employment at any wage level among all postsecondary career and technical education programs. In addition, two new proposed measures will focus on third-party assessment of technical skills and the earning of industry-recognized credentials. This is a truer measure of the quality of the education delivered than labor market outcome measures, which are influenced by macroeconomic climate, local labor market supply and demand, and individual student-level variables outside of the influence of the educational program (e.g., personality, soft skills, drive, work habits, access to transportation, and child-care needs). Attainment of an industry certification validates the instruction delivered in the educational program as meeting industry standards and producing individuals with skills employers are seeking. <i>Office of Policy and Budget – July 2013</i>				

Department: Department of Education Program: State Grants/PreK-12 FEFP Service: PreK-12 FEFP Measure: Number/percent of schools declining one or more letter grades, reported by district Action: Performance Assessment of Outcome Measure Performance Assessment of Output Measure Revision of Measure Performance Assessment of Output Measure Deletion of Measure Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards Deletion of Measure					
Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference		
199 / 8%	1,345 / 53%	1,146 / 45%	N/A		
Factors Accounting for the Difference: Internal Factors (check all that apply): Personnel Factors Competing Priorities Previous Estimate Incorrect Other (Identify) Explanation: School grades were first issued in 1999 under the A+ Plan for Education. Since then, school grading has evolved to include multiple changes in the school grading formula, including: new assessments and achievement levels, adjustments to student learning gains, the addition of students scoring in the lowest 25 percent, and the addition of standards related to graduation rates, accelerated participation and performance, and college readiness. Changes in the school grading formula have impacted the number of schools with declining grades. Of importance, however, is that the ratio of high-performing schools to low-performing schools has remained high while standards are raised.					
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Further, the number of schools that have been assigned grades has changed each year since the first school grades were issued. This factor in makes it difficult to determine and report consistent performance results for this standard.

Explanation: There have been changes in policies and legislation affecting school accountability and performance.
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply): Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)
Recommendations:

Department:	Department of Education	on
Program:	State Grants/PreK-12 Fl	
Service:	PreK-12 FEFP	
Measure:	Number/percent of sch	ools improving one or more letter
	grades, reported by dis	trict
Action:		
Performance Asses	ssment of Outcome Measure	Revision of Measure

Performance Assessment of Output Measure

Performance Assessment of Output Measure

Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards

Revision	of	Measure
Deletion	of	Measure

Staff Capacity

Level of Training

Approved Standard	Actual Performance	Difference	Percentage
	Results	(Over/Under)	Difference
416 / 40%	148 / 6%	268 / 34%	N/A

Factors Accounting for the Difference:

Internal Factors (check all that apply):

Personnel Factors

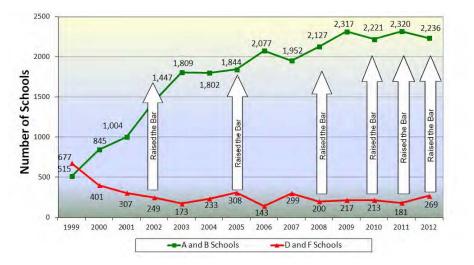
Competing Priorities

Previous Estimate Incorrect

Other (Identify)

Explanation:	

School grades were first issued in 1999 under the A+ Plan for Education. Since then, school grading has evolved to include multiple changes in the school grading formula, including: new assessments and achievement levels, adjustments to student learning gains, the addition of students scoring in the lowest 25 percent, and the addition of standards related to graduation rates, accelerated participation and performance, and college readiness. Changes in the school grading formula have impacted the number of schools with declining grades. Of importance, however, is that the ratio of high-performing schools to low-performing schools has remained high while standards are raised.



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External Factors (check all that apply): <pre> </pre>	
Explanation: There have been changes in policies and legislation affecting school accountability performance.	and
Management Efforts to Address Differences/Problems (check all that apply):	
Training Technology Personnel Other (Identify)	
Recommendations:	

Department:
Program:
Service:
Measure:

Department of Education State Board of Education – Educator Certification **Teacher Certification (ACT0630)** Number of certification applications processed

Action:

- Performance Assessment of <u>Outcome</u> Measure
- Revision of Measure Deletion of Measure
- Performance Assessment of Output Measure Adjustment of GAA Performance Standards า

Approved Standard	Actual Performance Results	Difference (Over/Under)	Percentage Difference
109,275	108,060	-1,215	-1.11%
Factors Accounting f	or the Difference:		
Internal Factors (cheo Personnel Factors Competing Prioritie Previous Estimate Other (Identify)	es		f Capacity el of Training
Certification now empl packets for certification	oys only ten (10) evaluato n eligibility. This equates t	educing overall agency states ors trained to review comp to a nearly 40% reduction the capacity for eligibility o	lete application from its previous
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Management Efforts	to Address Differences/		apply): hnology er (Identify)
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PERFORMANCE MEASURE VALIDITY AND RELIABILITY

LRPP EXHIBIT IV

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 1:	Number/percent of customers gainfully employed (rehabilitated)
	in at least 90 days

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used. The information is entered into the system for every customer by field associates. "Edits" have been added to RIMS to prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The data are downloaded from the mainframe monthly and a SAS program is used to aggregate the data using well established operational definitions for gainful employment from the federal regulations for vocational rehabilitation. The rate is computed as a percentage of all customers who exit the program within the designated timeframe after completing an individualized plan for employment (IPE) and receiving services. The numerator is the number of customers who do enter employment; the denominator is all the customers who completed an IPE, both those who do enter employment and those who do not.

Standards for this measure should be adjusted to 6,000 customers and 56 percent because the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation invoked an Order of Selection, consistent with the Federal Rehabilitation Act, on August 4, 2008, to limit the number of new customers added to the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) caseload during the 2008-2009 state fiscal year. Federal law requires priority to be given to individuals with the "most significant disabilities," and that these individuals be served first when resources are not sufficient to serve all persons with disabilities. The emphasis on serving customers with most significant and significant disabilities first, competes with the performance goal of 11,500 customers (65.0 percent) gainfully employed, because these individuals typically require a greater investment of resources and more involvement with their counselors. They require more time to complete the rehabilitation process than do customers with disabilities and are also less likely to succeed.

Validity:

The methodology used was to examine the relationship between the measure and the mission of the DVR and to look for potential threats to validity. The percent and number of customers placed in gainful employment is a logical measure of the effectiveness of the rehabilitation process that has been used at the federal and state levels since inception of the VR program. This measure, with its subsets, is directly linked to the mission of the program: To help people with disabilities find and maintain employment and enhance their independence.

One potential threat to validity is selection, e.g., are the customers who are determined eligible for the VR program, compared to all those who apply or are referred, appropriate for services? This threat is largely mitigated by the use of well developed criteria for selection, and assessment of the customer's needs and his or her employment potential. Information from external sources, as well as from the customer, coupled with the VR associate's experience and skills, are all used to decide eligibility for services.

Assessment of the customer's incentive to go to work is always difficult; these decisions are subject to the counselor's interpretation to some degree, based on his or her experience and the evaluations done.

Reliability:

This is a reliable measure of the VR program. Data for this measure are entered into RIMS by associates as cases are closed for individual customers; data entry is likely to be highly reliable because of the edits in the RIMS system. Redefinition of this measure, in 1999, to align it with the definition used by the Federal Rehabilitation Service Administration (RSA) improved the reliability and allows comparison of Florida's performance with that of other states.

Overall, consistency and reproducibility would be affected by the fact that RIMS is a "live" database that changes constantly as customers progress through the rehabilitation process. This potential threat is controlled by using a "static" database of data downloaded monthly from RIMS for the performance-based program budgeting measures, and maintained on a server.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 2:	Number/percent of VR customers with a significant disability
	who are gainfully employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

This measure addresses a subset of the population addressed in the first measure – customers with a significant or most significantly disability; the same protocols and calculations are used. Data are selected according to the same criteria for gainful employment. The criteria for assigning the significance of the disability are also well established.

This measure should be deleted. On August 4, 2008, Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation began operating under an Order of Selection that limits the number of new persons who can be added to the VR caseload. Consequently, this measure will duplicate the first outcome measure, as most customers have a most significant or significant disability.

Validity:

As with the first measure, this is a logical measure of the effectiveness of the rehabilitation process that has been used at the federal and state levels for many years. Comments on the validity of the measure above are also applicable to this measure.

Another potential threat to validity is the accuracy of the assessment of the significance of a disability. These decisions are subject to the counselor's interpretation to some degree and influenced by the state and federal mandate to provide services to individuals with significant disabilities first. This threat is mitigated by the use of well-established criteria for the levels of significance that are incorporated into policy and frequently discussed in training sessions.

Reliability:

Comments on the reliability for this measure, a subset of the first measure above, are equally applicable here. The measure is reliable, i.e., reproducible.

The subjectivity inevitably associated with assessing the severity of the disability may affect the reliability of this indicator. The threat to reliability results from the pressure to serve individuals with most significant or significant disabilities first, which must be balanced against evidence that rehabilitation is more demanding with this population and thus a lower incidence of success is likely. Consistent and continuing training for staff, coupled with the use of assessment instruments and the counselor's training and experience, assure the reliability of this measure.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 3:	Number/percent of VR customers with a disability who are
Recommend Deletion	gainfully employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

This measure addresses a subset of the population addressed in Measure 1 – customers who have a disability. The same protocols and calculations are used, and data are selected according to the same criteria for gainful employment. The criteria for assigning the significance of the disability are also well established.

This measure should be deleted. On August 4, 2008, Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation began operating under an Order of Selection that limits the number of new persons who can be added to the VR caseload. Consequently, this measure will duplicate the first outcome measure, as most customers will have a most significant or significant disability. Services to a limited number of individuals with a disability are available.

Validity:

Comments on the validity of Measures 1 and 2 are also applicable to this measure. The same steps to address and control those threats are applicable to Measure 3.

Reliability:

Comments on the reliability for this measure, a subset of Measure 1, are equally applicable here. The measure is reliable, i.e., reproducible. The same steps are taken to address possible subjectivity in assessing significance of the disability.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 4:	Number/percent of VR customers placed in competitive
Recommend Deletion	employment

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used. The information is entered into the system for every customer by field associates. "Edits" have been added to RIMS to prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The data are downloaded from the mainframe monthly and a SAS program is used to aggregate the data, using well established operational definitions for competitive employment based on the customer's work status at placement. This is a subset of the first measure, "gainfully employed." The rate is computed as a percentage of all customers who exit the program in gainful employment. The numerator is customers placed in competitive employment; the denominator is customers placed in gainful employment.

This measure should be deleted because the majority of the division's customers enter competitive employment, making this measure duplicative of the first outcome measure and unnecessary. It differs only slightly from the first outcome measure and the minor differences are confusing.

If the measure is not deleted, standards should be adjusted because the standards cannot be met unless the standard for the first measure (number of customers <u>gainfully</u> employed) is met. Operation of the division under the Order of Selection invoked August 4, 2008, limits the number of new customers added to the division's caseload. This will reduce the number of customers placed in gainful employment and, thus, the number who can potentially enter competitive employment.

Validity:

This is a valid measure of vocational rehabilitation. Its validity may be compromised somewhat by the fact that not all individuals who are placed in competitive employment are working full-time (>= 36 hours per week). Validity has been improved by redefining this measure to make it consistent with the definition used by RSA.

As a variant of the first measure – number and percent placed in gainful employment – the same potential threats to validity were considered, and mitigated to the extent possible.

Reliability:

Data entry is done by each counselor at the time the customer's case is closed. Results can be duplicated within the current definition of competitive employment. As for other measures, the potential threat to reliability of a "live" database is controlled by using a "static" database of data downloaded monthly from RIMS for the division's performance report of measures and maintained on a server.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 5:	Number/percent of VR customers retained in employment after 1
	year

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are matched with data from the Division of Unemployment Compensation by another entity within the Florida Department of Education, the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP). Results from FETPIP are entered into an Excel spreadsheet to be reported for the year in which the match is made. Edits in RIMS assure the accuracy of data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The number of customers retained in employment one year after placement is found for each quarter of the state fiscal year. The rate for each quarter is calculated by dividing the sum of the individuals employed by the total number of participants. For the fiscal year, the number is computed by summing the individuals employed for each of the four quarters. The rate is calculated by dividing the sum of the individuals employed in each of the four quarters (numerator) by the total number of participants in the four quarters (denominator).

The standards for this measure should be decreased to 60 percent because having an emphasis on serving individuals with a most significant or significant disability first, means serving individuals who are not likely to maintain employment at a high rate after one year.

Validity:

Given the mission of the DVR, this is a valid measure of the quality of outcomes in vocational rehabilitation. Validity is threatened by the lack of information about continuity of employment since closure, i.e., an individual is recorded as employed whether she or he worked one week in a quarter, or 13 weeks in the quarter.

Data on employment are obtained from 97 percent of Florida's employers, but no data are obtained from employers in Georgia or Alabama, nor are data collected on individuals who are self-employed. This may bias results for units located in counties along Florida's borders.

Reliability:

This measure has been tracked since 1996. The RIMS data used for the match, and the database from the Division of Unemployment Compensation, are well established and well documented. The reliability of this measure is good.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 6:	Average annual earning of VR customers at placement
Recommend Deletion	

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used. The information is entered into the system for every customer by field associates. "Edits" in RIMS prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The data are downloaded from the mainframe monthly and a SAS program is used to aggregate the data, using well established operational definitions for gainful employment. Earnings are computed by multiplying the weekly earnings of each customer placed in gainful employment by 52 weeks. The total earnings for all customers, the numerator, is then divided by the number of customers placed in gainful employment.

This measure should be replaced by a measure of the average hourly wage for customers placed in gainful employment. The current measure requires the fallacious assumption that every customer who enters employment will work 40 hours per week. It also requires the assumption that the person continues employment for 52 weeks of the year. Shifting to a measure of the average hourly wage will align Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation with the measures of the federal RSA.

Validity:

This is a valid measure of a quality outcome of vocational rehabilitation and is widely used in the rehabilitation community as an indicator of the return for the investment cost of services delivered. Validity is threatened to some extent in that earnings of all customers are included without regard to the type or severity of the customers' disabilities, individual abilities, the number of hours worked per week, or local economic conditions.

The validity of this measure of the quality of the outcome is supported in principle by the use of multiple federal measures that assess earnings as hourly wages.

Reliability:

The lack of available documentation may compromise the reliability of this measure. Earnings are "self-reported" by customers to their counselors. Initial entries for the week prior to the closure of the case may later be corrected in the RIMS data; these changes are not made to the static database.

Another threat to reliability is the requirement for two assumptions: that the customer works 40 hours per week and that she or he works 52 weeks of the year. Additionally, earnings may be reported erroneously by the customer, either accidentally or by design. Research on income that is self-reported in situations not related to credit applications shows that self-reported income is usually inflated.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 7:	Average annual earning of VR customers after one year

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are matched with data from the Division of Unemployment Compensation by another entity within the Florida Department of Education, the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP). Results from FETPIP are entered into an Excel spreadsheet to be reported for the year in which the match is made. Edits in RIMS prevent erroneous data entries as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The earnings of customers retained in employment one year after placement are found for each quarter of the state fiscal year. Earnings for each quarter are multiplied by four to project annual earnings for the customers employed in the quarter. Earnings for the fiscal year are obtained by summing the average earnings for each of the four quarters to obtain the annual projection.

Validity:

This is a good measure of the quality of the outcomes of vocational rehabilitation. Follow-up data are wages reported by employers. Validity is threatened to some extent in that earnings of all customers are included without regard to the type or severity of the customers' disabilities, individual abilities, weeks worked, the number of hours worked per week, or local economic conditions.

The value of this measure of the outcomes of vocational rehabilitation is supported by the fact that the federal RSA is exploring its use. RSA has conducted a pilot test to determine whether agencies in all states will be able to conduct the match adequately and report findings in a timely manner.

Reliability:

This measure has been tracked since 1996. The RIMS data used for the match and the database from the Division of Unemployment Compensation are well established and well documented. The reliability of this measure is good.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 8:	Percent of case costs covered by third-party payers
Recommend Deletion	

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Figures for expenditures for clients (client service dollars), reimbursements from Social Security Insurance/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSI/SSDI), and monies recovered from insurers and legal settlements for Division of Vocational Rehabilitation customers are obtained from the appropriate administrative units. Edits have been added to the Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) to protect the accuracy of the data and the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the RIMS data regularly.

The measure is computed by summing the dollars obtained from third-party payers, the numerator. This is divided by the total client service dollars expended to obtain the percentage of direct costs of services recovered.

This measure should be deleted. The division has little control, because both state and federal law prohibit deliberately seeking customers most likely to contribute to high performance in recovering monies.

Validity:

This is a valid measure of the division's efforts to coordinate its activities with other programs and agencies to maximize its resources. It is not a valid measure of the division's performance in accomplishing its mission: To help people with disabilities find and maintain employment and enhance their independence.

Reporting the percentage, rather than the dollar amount, improves validity of this measure by showing the amount obtained relative to direct costs of client services and allows comparison of performance over time.

Reliability:

Data on SSI/SSDI reimbursements have been tracked over many years and are highly reliable. Figures for other monies recovered by the division's legal unit and tracked by the division's budget office are also highly reliable.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 9:	Average cost of case life (to division) for VR customers
	with a significant disability

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used; the information is entered into the system by field associates for every customer. "Edits" control accuracy of the data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly and the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) regularly audits the data.

The average cost is computed by first summing the direct costs to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of services for individuals with a most significant or significant disability closed during the time period. This figure is divided by the number of customers closed with a most significant or significant disability to obtain the average cost.

The standard for this measure should be increased to \$3,600, since focusing services to individuals with a significant disability first, due to the Order of Selection, and who typically require more time and more resources means that the average cost of case life is likely to increase.

Validity:

This is a valid measure of the efficiency of the vocational rehabilitation process, although validity may be compromised somewhat by examining the costs according to the severity of the disability rather than using a combination of type and severity of the disability.

Reliability:

The life-of-case cost has been tracked by RSA for a number of years and is reproducible.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 10:	Average cost of case life (to division) for VR customers
Recommend Deletion	with a disability

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used as for other measures; the information is entered into the system by field associates for every customer. "Edits" control accuracy of the data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly and the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) regularly audits the data.

The average cost is computed by first summing the direct costs to the division of services to customers with a disability closed during the time period. This figure is divided by the number of customers closed with a disability to obtain the average cost of case life.

This measure should be deleted. Under the Order of Selection, there are a limited number of customers with a disability who are taken off the wait list and eligible to receive services.

Validity:

This is a valid measure of the efficiency of the VR program, although validity may be compromised somewhat by examining the costs according to the severity of the disability rather than using a combination of type and severity of the disability.

Reliability:

The life-of-case cost has been tracked by RSA for a number of years and is reproducible.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 11:	Number of customers reviewed for eligibility

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used; the information is entered into the system by field associates for every customer. "Edits" have been added to RIMS to prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The measure is a simple sum, using the SAS program, of the number of eligibility determinations made within the time period. An "eligibility determination" includes all persons determined to be eligible for services, as well as a limited number of persons determined to be ineligible. Inclusion of a determination of ineligibility is related to established definitions of the reason for ineligibility.

The performance standard for this measure should be decreased to 27,500 because of the Order of Selection. The growing demand for services cannot be met with available financial resources, requiring the DVR to limit the number of new customers added to the division's caseload.

Validity:

Determining whether an applicant is eligible for services in the DVR program is an important and often time-consuming portion of the rehabilitation process. This output measure is a valid indicator of productivity.

Validity of this measure has been improved by limiting the measure to the specific statuses recognized by RSA as determination of eligibility or ineligibility by counseling staff, rather than including customers who simply leave the program without a formal decision.

Reliability:

Determining eligibility may be difficult because of the unique elements associated with the customer's disability, knowledge, skills, etc. Nevertheless, the criteria for eligibility are well defined. These data have been tracked in RIMS and by RSA for a number of years and are reproducible. Periodic case reviews by supervisory staff and by RSA contribute to the reliability of eligibility determination.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 12:	Number of Written Service Plans

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used; the information is entered into the system by field associates for every customer. "Edits" have been added to RIMS to prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The measure is a simple sum, using the SAS program, of the number of plans written within the time period.

The performance standard for this measure should be decreased to 20,100 because of the Order of Selection. The growing demand for services cannot be met with available financial resources, requiring the division to limit the number of customers added to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) caseload. Because there are fewer new customers, fewer individuals will require development of Individualized Plans for Employment.

Validity:

This is a valid measure of productivity for the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program. A plan is tailored for individual customers, incorporating specific services needed for the customer to be prepared for employment. Preparation of a good Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE) is critical to the customer's successful achievement of employment.

Reliability:

The criteria for development of a plan are well defined. These data have been tracked in RIMS and by RSA over many years. These data are reproducible and highly reliable.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 13:	Number of active cases

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used; the information is entered into the system by field associates for every customer. "Edits" have been added to RIMS to prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

The measure is a simple sum, using the SAS program, of the number of clients in specific active statuses within the time period. An "active" case is any case that applied in a prior time period and remains open.

The performance standard for this measure should be increased to 50,000 because the number of active cases as increased every state fiscal year since 2007-2008.

Validity:

This is a valid measure of productivity for the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program. Use of the monthly average represents unique customers for the interval measured and reflects the workload of VR personnel.

Reliability:

The criteria for assigning the status codes for active customers are well defined and the results represent unique individuals in each time period. These data have been tracked in RIMS and by RSA over many years. These data are highly reliable; results are reproducible when they are computed from a static database.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 14:	Customer caseload per counselor

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used; the information is entered into the system by field associates for every customer. "Edits" have been added to RIMS to prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) audits the data regularly.

"Caseload" is all active customers and customers closed in specified statuses who are affiliated with a counselor. The measure is calculated by the SAS program as the median (middle) value for all counselor caseloads during the timeframe. The median is computed for each month, then computed for quarterly reports and for the fiscal year.

The standard for this measure should be decreased to 90 because of the Order of Selection. If a smaller number of active cases require available services, counselors will, on average, have smaller caseloads. Another reason to decrease the standard is the result of an informal survey of other state vocational rehabilitation agencies that established the desired caseload per counselor in the range of 90-100. Smaller caseloads improve the quality of rehabilitation by allowing customers more time with the counseling staff and increase the likelihood of success, e.g., customers placed in gainful employment. Smaller caseloads to allow more time for each customer to spend with counseling staff is especially critical as the division focuses on customers with most significant disabilities, who traditionally require more resources than those with less significant disabilities.

Validity:

The median is a valid measure of the efficiency of the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program because it is not affected by outliers. The computation also reflects the effect of vacant positions and the role of associates who carry partial caseloads, perhaps because of other responsibilities or to compensate when a position is vacant.

Reliability:

This is a reliable measure of the efficiency of the VR program and can be reproduced over time. Reliability is contingent upon recalculation of a true median as timeframes shift, rather than mathematical computation of the caseload as an arithmetic average.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 15:	Percent of eligibility determinations completed in compliance
	with federal law

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Rehabilitation Information Management System (RIMS) data are used; the information is entered into the system by field associates for every customer. These data are protected, as for other measures, by "edits" added to RIMS to prevent the entry of invalid or erroneous data as much as possible without constricting the system unduly. These data are also audited regularly by the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA).

"Eligibility determination" is defined in Measure 11. To meet the federal mandate, the determination must have occurred within 60 days of application, or the customer must have been placed in extended evaluation or trial work, or the customer's agreement to an extension of the eligibility period must be documented in the customer's file. The numerator for the measure is the number of eligibility determinations for the timeframe that meet the federal mandate. The denominator is the total number of eligibility determinations made within the timeframe.

Validity:

The discussion of validity for the number of eligibility determinations also applies to this measure. The timeliness of the eligibility determination has been validated as an important factor in the likelihood of a customer's successful completion of the rehabilitation program.

Reliability:

The reliability for this measure was examined with the same methodology used for the measure of the number of eligibility determinations. Criteria for each of the three categories that meet the mandate are also well established within federal regulations and incorporated into the division's training and policies.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 16:	Number of program applicants provided Reemployment services
Recommend Deletion	

Chapter 2012-135, Laws of Florida, eliminated duties of the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, in the Department of Education and transferred program responsibilities to the Department of Financial Services, Division of Workers' Compensation.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Vocational Rehabilitation
Service/Budget Entity:	General Program
Measure 17:	Percent of eligible injured workers receiving reemployment
	services with closed cases during the fiscal year and returning
	to suitable gainful employment
Recommend Deletion	

Chapter 2012-135, Laws of Florida, eliminated duties of the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, in the Department of Education and transferred program responsibilities to the Department of Financial Services, Division of Workers' Compensation.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 18:	Number/percent of rehabilitation customers gainfully employed
	at least 90 days (regardless of wage earned)

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data and calculations for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

The number portion of the measure is calculated as the sum of all Successfully Rehabilitated VR Cases within the reporting period.

The percent portion of the measure was previously calculated by dividing the total Successfully Rehabilitated VR Cases by the sum of the Successfully Rehabilitated VR Cases and Unsuccessful VR case closures. An additional query was added to include Unsuccessful Closures after eligibility without a plan date. This better represents the total number of VR case closures.

A Successfully Rehabilitated VR Case is defined as a Successful Case Closure during the reporting period. This is further defined, by 34 CFR Part 361, as maintenance in an acceptable employment outcome for at least 90 days.

An Unsuccessfully Rehabilitated VR Case is defined as a case closed during the reporting period, either Closed Unsuccessful or Closed Unsuccessful Before Plan Initiated (after being determined eligible).

A Case is defined as services performed for a client to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status dates that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success, or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the division.

The percentage portion of the measure needs to be revised. The number portion of the standard (747 rehabilitation customers gainfully employed) is an increase over the 700 customers who were gainfully employed in FY2012-13. This number is appropriate due to the addition of 9 employment support specialists hired in the current fiscal year. The 747 equates to 51.6% of the total number of VR customers served (1,446 successful and unsuccessful).

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
-	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 19:	Number/percent of rehabilitation customers placed in competitive
	employment.

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data sources were modified to reflect current employment types and obsolete employment type codes were deleted (see current employment types 1, 3, and 4 below).

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data and calculations for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE, using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

A client's Work Status is stored when a VR case is successfully closed, indicating the type of employment:

1 – Competitive Employment 3 – Self Employment 4 – Business Enterprises.

The number portion of the measure is calculated as the sum of all VR Cases Closed Successful at or below minimum wage during the reporting period, with a Work Status of 1, 3, or 4.

The percent portion of the measure is calculated by dividing the number portion of the measure by total of all VR Cases Closed Successful with Work Statuses 1, 3, and 4.

"Competitively" employed cases are all cases that are closed successfully and that are at or above minimum wage.

A Case is defined as services performed for a client to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, and case success or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the division. We are requesting revision to the standard. Due to the hiring of 9 employment specialists throughout the state, we anticipate additional customers to be employed at or above minimum wage. Based on our anticipated growth of customers gainfully employed, we also anticipate seeing an additional number of customers who will be employed at or above minimum wage. The percentage of growth of competitively employed employees who are gainfully employed has been over 90% for the past 3 fiscal years.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
-	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 20:	Projected average annual earnings of rehabilitation customers at
	placement

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data sources were modified to reflect current employment types and obsolete employment type codes were deleted (see current employment types 1, 3, and 4 below).

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data and calculations for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

To calculate this measure, the Total Annual Earnings are divided by the Total Number of Successfully Closed VR Cases.

Total Annual Earnings is defined as the sum of the Weekly Earnings of Successfully Closed VR Cases multiplied by 52 weeks.

Successfully Closed VR Cases are defined as all Successfully Closed VR Cases with a Work Status equal to 1, 3, or 4 in the reporting period.

A client's Work Status is stored when a VR case is successfully closed, indicating the type of employment:

1 – Competitive Employment 3 – Self Employment 4 – Business Enterprises

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success, or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the Division.

We are requesting revision to the standard. The average rehabilitation customer annual earnings in FY 2012-13 was \$21,046. Due to the anticipated stability of the economy, we project this same amount for FY 2014-15.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services, provide counseling, facilitate
	the provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training,
	independent living services, and job placement assistance to
	Blind Services' customers. Provide consultation, training, and
	rehabilitation engineering services to employers of Blind
	Services' customers.
Measure 21:	Number/percent of successfully rehabilitated older persons, non-
	customers, non-vocational rehabilitation.

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data and calculations for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

The Number portion of the measure is calculated as the sum of all Successfully Closed (goals met) Independent Living Adult Cases during the reporting period. This includes all successfully rehabilitated Independent Living Clients, regardless of age, non-vocational rehabilitation.

The Percent portion of the measure is calculated by dividing the Number Portion, Successfully Closed Independent Living Cases, by the sum of the Successfully Closed Independent Living Cases and Unsuccessfully Closed (goals not met) Independent Living Cases.

Successfully Closed Independent Living Adult Cases are defined as the Total Independent Living Cases (Adult Program and Older Blind) closed during the reporting period that were Closed Successful with a closure outcome of goals met.

Unsuccessfully Closed Independent Living Adult Cases are defined as Total Independent Living Adult Program (ILAP) Cases closed during the reporting period, which were Closed Unsuccessful or Closed Unsuccessful Before Plan Initiated (after being determined eligible).

An Independent Living Adult Case is defined as services performed for a client to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success, or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the division.

We request a revision to this standard. The percent OF successfully rehabilitated IL customers is based on 1,700 successfully rehabilitated IL customers divided by 1,917 (the total number of successful and unsuccessful IL customers).

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
-	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 22:	Number/percent of Early Intervention/Blind Babies customers
	successful transitioned from the Blind Babies Program to the
	Children's Program (preschool to school)

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data and calculations for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

The Number portion of the measure is calculated as the sum of all Successfully Transitioned Early Intervention Cases with a plan date during the reporting period.

The Percent portion is calculated by dividing Successfully Transitioned Early Intervention Cases with a plan date by the sum of Unsuccessful Early Intervention Closures with a plan date and Successfully Transitioned Early Intervention Cases with a plan date.

Unsuccessful Early Intervention Closures are defined as the total number of Blind Babies Program cases with a plan date during the reporting period that were Closed Unsuccessful.

An Early Intervention Case is defined as services provided to a client in the Blind Babies program to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success, or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the division.

We request revision to the standard. Based on the past 3 fiscal years data and early projections for FY2013-14, the requested standard for FY2014-15 is 160.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 23:	Number/percent of customers exiting the Children's Program who
	are deemed eligible for the Vocational Rehabilitation Transition
	Services Program.

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

- Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies
- Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data and calculations for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

The Number portion of the measure is calculated as the sum of all successful Children's Cases (with a plan date and goals met) who were determined eligible for VR services during the fiscal year reporting period.

The Percent portion of the measure is calculated by dividing the total Successful Children's cases (with a plan date and goals met) who were determined eligible for VR services by the sum of the Unsuccessful Children's Cases (with a plan date and goals not met) and Successful Children Cases (with a plan date and goals met).

Successful Children's Cases are defined as Children's Program Cases (with a plan date and goals met). In FY2011-12, data for successful closures included Children's Program cases that did NOT have a plan date. The measure's verbiage was clarified; the programming logic has been corrected.

Unsuccessful Children's Cases are defined as Children's Program Cases with a plan date that are closed unsuccessful (goals not met).

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the division.

We request revision to the standard. We project that the number of children who transitioned into the VR transition services program (47) will continue into FY2014-15.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
-	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 24:	Number of customers reviewed for eligibility

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

- Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies
- Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The definition and methodology for this measure conforms to that of DVR.

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

To calculate this measure, total all cases for clients that were determined eligible or ineligible for services during the reporting period for all plan types.

All cases include clients from the Vocational Rehabilitation Program, the Independent Living Program, the Children's Program, and the Blind Babies Program.

A Case is defined as services performed for a client to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success, or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the DBS user community.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 25:	Number of initial written plans for services

Action (check one):

- Requesting Revision to Approved Measure
- Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies
- Requesting New Measure
- Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

This measure is calculated as the sum of the first plans created for a case with a plan approval date falling within the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success, or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and provided services. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the DBS user community.

We request revision to the standard. Based on the decrease in the number of customers reviewed for eligibility (over the last 3 fiscal years), the number of initial written service plans will also decrease from 3,948 FY 2012-13 to 3,500 in FY2014-15

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 26:	Number of customers served

Action (check one):

- Requesting Revision to Approved Measure
- Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies
- Requesting New Measure
- Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

This measure is calculated by taking the sum of all cases that were in open status at any time during the reporting period.

A Case is defined as services performed for a client to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and provided services. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the DBS user community.

The number of customers served has decreased over the past 3 fiscal years. Therefore, our projection for FY2014-15 is based on the actual number of customers served in FY2012-13.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 27:	Average time lapse (days) between application and eligibility determination for rehabilitation customers

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data for the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

This measure is calculated by dividing the total number of Days Lapsed by the total number of Eligibility Determinations for all Case Types.

An Eligibility Determination is defined as a Case from any program that was determined "eligible for service" or closed as "ineligible for services" during the reporting period.

Days Lapsed is defined as the number of days between the Eligibility Determination Date that occurred during the reporting period and the Application Date for that specific Eligibility Determination.

The Eligibility Determination Date is defined as the Eligibility Date for the clients determined Eligible, and the Case Closure Date for the clients determined ineligible.

Case Type is defined as a case in the Vocational Rehabilitation Program, or the Independent Living Program, the Children's Program, or the Blind Babies Program.

A Case is defined as services performed for a client to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan development, services, case success, or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates totals based upon the status codes of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and services provided. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable.

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the DBS user community.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Determine eligibility for services; provide counseling; facilitate the
	provision of rehabilitative treatment, job training, independent
	living services, and job placement assistance to Blind Services'
	customers. Provide consultation, training, and rehabilitation
	engineering services to employers of Blind Services' customers.
Measure 28:	Customer caseload per counseling/case management team
	member

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

The definition and methodology for this measure conforms to that of DVR.

Data from the Accessible Web-based Activity Reporting Environment (AWARE) will be used. Data from the measures will be produced directly from AWARE using a programmed reporting process to extract data entered on clients at the field office level.

This measure is calculated by dividing the number of primary cases by the number of Counselors and reported supervisors that maintain caseloads. The average caseload is determined by identifying the total number of cases in any open status, for all programs, on the 15th of every month and dividing this total by the number of Counselors and Supervisors who maintain caseloads (the average caseload from the 15th of every month is used because of seasonal considerations. There is not one day in the year that could have been used as the basis for identifying a normal day's caseload.

The number of Counselors is identified by the DBS Personnel Department. The current breakdown is 9 VR Supervisors, 53 VR Counselors, 53 Independent Living Counselors, and 10 Children's Counselors, for a total of 80.

A case is defined as services performed for a client to achieve the client's goals. A client may have more than one case during the reporting period.

Validity:

AWARE contains consistent status codes that indicate application, eligibility, plan developments, services, and case success or failure. The methodology used to calculate this measure aggregates total based upon the status code of the client during the reporting period.

Reliability:

AWARE was developed to track client cases and provided services. AWARE is the sole repository for this type of data. Client information is entered in AWARE by associates in the district offices. Edits in AWARE ensure greater reliability and accuracy of data entered at the field level. AWARE reports are reviewed at all management levels statewide. Therefore, the methodology appears to be reliable

New procedures have been developed to validate the integrity of established Performance Based Program Budgeting Measures generated by AWARE. Detailed extract reports are created so that results can be independently validated by the division. We request a revision to the standard. Caseloads have been adjusted downwards over the past 3 fiscal years to better serve clients. In FY2010-11 a caseload assessment resulted in caseloads being redistributed and cases being closed due to clients no longer requiring services. Additional counselors have also been hired, thereby improving the ratio of counselors to clients.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Provide Braille and recorded publications services.
Measure 29:	Cost per library customer served

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

All data related to customer registration and the circulation of reading materials is tracked by the Keystone Library Automation System (KLAS).

This measure is calculated by dividing the Library's General Revenue (State Funding) allocation for the fiscal year by the Total Number of Library Customers Served.

The Total Number of Library Customers Served is derived by generating the Readership and Circulation Report from KLAS for the state fiscal year. This report identifies the total number of individuals and institutions registered for service at the end of the fiscal year.

Validity:

The fiscal data for this measure includes only General Revenue funds, because trust funds provided to the Library consist of nonrecurring, competitive federal grants designated for special projects rather than operating expenses. The number used was taken from the Quality Performance Information System (QPIS) Budget Analysis for State Fiscal Year 2011-12.

KLAS contains consistent data elements that were designed to track library services and usage.

The Library adjusts this data daily as new patrons are added and current patrons are moved to an inactive status.

Reliability:

Under the federal regulations governing the Library's services, the Library must retain the original application for service for all registered customers. Eligibility for service must be certified by a physician, counselor, cleric, or a librarian. The current status of each customer is maintained in the KLAS system. The service status for each customer reported as receiving service may be verified by examination of the application files and review of the patron records in the KLAS System.

The Library's General Revenue allocation is taken directly from the QPIS system.

The current standard of \$19.65 has been static for several years and does not accurately reflect the increase in costs. The past 3 fiscal years have more accurately reported the cost, taking in to consideration current economic conditions and rising costs.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Provide food service vending training, work experience, and
	licensing.
Measure 30:	Number of blind vending food service facilities supported

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

All data related to tracking blind vending food service facilities are maintained in the Randolph-Sheppard Vending Program (RSVP) software program.

This measure is derived by generating the Facility General Report. The total blind vending service facilities supported are the total of Licensed Operator Facility Agreements (LOFA) in place during the reporting period.

Validity:

Prior to opening a facility, all Blind Business Operators must have a signed LOFA with the DBS. RSVP tracks this information by maintaining the current status of the facility. Those statuses are: Available, Closed Temporarily, Development, LOFA in Place, or Opened.

Reliability:

Strict business rules are programmed into the RSVP that do not allow operator/facility linkages to occur without a valid LOFA. The system also does not allow operators to have more than one Type I LOFA; therefore, an attempt to link an operator with two Type I LOFAs would fail.

There are two types of LOFAs:

1. Type I is used with the primary facility operated under a perpetual agreement with a food service manager who may stay in a facility as long as desired provided the facility approves and there is no material breach of contract; and

2. Type II is used with a secondary facility under an agreement of one year or less.

For this output measure, only Type I LOFAs are counted along with those operators having a Type II LOFA only (some operators may have both a Type I and Type II at the same time).

We request that the standard be revised. Due to cutbacks at both state and federal facilities (post offices and Kennedy Space Center), BBE has seen a decrease in the number of facilities over the past 3 fiscal years.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Provide food service vending training, work experience, and
-	licensing.
Measure 31:	Number of existing food service facilities renovated

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Renovation of all new food service facilities during the reporting period is planned by the Business Enterprise Program (BEP). The number of facilities renovated is tracked manually in a Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet.

Validity:

On-site visits by Regional Business Consultants ensure that the project has been completed, and that the facility is open and providing service.

Reliability:

These totals are derived from documents approving the renovation of the facilities, and from onsite progress reports from Regional Business Consultants, verified by the Bureau of Business Enterprise (BBE) Operations Manager.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Blind Services
Service:	Blind Services
Activity:	Provide food service vending training, work experience, and
	licensing.
Measure 32:	Number of new food service facilities constructed

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

Construction of all new food service facilities during the reporting period is planned by the Business Enterprise Program (BEP). The number of facilities constructed is manually tracked in a Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet.

Validity:

On-site visits by Regional Business Consultants ensure that the project has been completed, and the facility is open and providing service.

Reliability:

These totals are derived from documents approving the construction of the facilities, and from on-site progress reports from Regional Business Consultants, verified by the BBE Operations Manager.

Department:	
Program:	
Service:	
Activity:	
Measure 33:	

Department of Education Blind Services Blind Services Provide Braille and recorded publications services. Number of Library customers served

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

All data related to customer registration and the circulation of reading materials is tracked by the Keystone Library Automation System (KLAS).

This measure is derived by generating the Patron Status Summary report, which identifies the number of library customers served, from KLAS as of the last day of the state fiscal year. This is defined as the total number of individuals and institutions registered for service at that time.

The goals for FY 2011-12 were taken from the Library's strategic plan, which projects an 18.4 percent increase in the number of customers served.

Validity:

KLAS system contains consistent data elements that were designed to track library services and usage.

The Library adjusts this data daily as new patrons are added and current patrons are moved to an inactive status.

Reliability:

Under the federal regulations governing the Library's services, the Library must retain the original application for service for all registered customers. Eligibility for service must be certified by a physician, counselor, cleric or a librarian. The current status of each customer is maintained in the KLAS system. The service status for each customer reported as receiving service may be verified by examination of the application files and review of the patron records in the KLAS system.

The current standard of 44,290 does not accurately reflect the number of library customers served due to updating the customer data base (purging and reconciling patron records). We recommend adjusting the standard downward to a more achievable number (36,000).

Department:	
Program:	
Service:	
Activity:	
Measure 34:	

Department of Education Blind Services Blind Services Provide Braille and recorded publications services. Number of Library items (Braille and recorded) loaned

Action (check one):

Requesting Revision to Approved Measure

Change in Data Sources or Measurement Methodologies

Requesting New Measure

Backup for Performance Outcome and Output Measure

Data Sources and Methodology:

All data related to the circulation of reading materials is tracked by the Keystone Library Automation System (KLAS).

Items loaned by the Library include reading materials in Braille, cassette, disk, large type, and descriptive video formats. For this measure, only the Braille and recorded materials are included.

This measure is calculated by adding the total number of Braille, cassette, and digital books circulated during the state fiscal year. This data is extracted from the Readership and Circulation Report for the period using the KLAS system.

The goal for FY 2011-12 is a direct correlation to the anticipated increase in the number of customers served; with a projected increase of 18.4% in the number of customers served, an increase in total number of items circulated is anticipated to be 18.4% as well.

Validity:

The KLAS system contains consistent data elements that were designed to track library services and usage.

The totals for the items circulated during the state fiscal year are taken directly from the KLAS system.

Reliability:

Under the federal regulations governing the Library's services, the Library must retain the original application for service for all registered customers. Eligibility for service must be certified by a physician, counselor, cleric, or a librarian. The current status of each customer is maintained in the KLAS system. The service status for each customer reported as receiving service may be verified by examination of the application files and review of the patron records in the KLAS system.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1962
Measure 35:	Graduation rate of FTIC (first time in college) award recipients,
Recommend Substitute	using a 6-year rate (Florida Resident Access Grant – FRAG)

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data source: PreK-20 Education Data Warehouse.

Methodology:

Data on Independent Colleges and Universities residing in the PreK-20 Education Data Warehouse do not include a first-time in college indicator. Therefore, a proxy was used to identify any student who received a FRAG disbursement in one year, but not in the prior year.

Denominator:

Includes any initial FRAG recipient in a given year

Numerator:

Numerator includes any student in denominator who graduates from a FRAG eligible private postsecondary institution within six years following initial enrollment at a FRAG eligible private postsecondary institution; reported by delivery system

Validity:

One purpose of the Florida Resident Access Grant is to enable students to access the higher education system and graduate. Therefore, graduation from any sector by those who initially receive a FRAG award is a measure toward achieving that goal. Therefore, this is a valid measure of the positive outcomes of providing assistance to Florida residents to enroll in private colleges and universities.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	<u>Department of Education</u>
Program:	<u>Private Colleges and Universities</u>
Service/Pudget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, ACT1956, ACT1936, ACT1938,
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure 36:	Number of degrees granted for FRAG recipients and contract
Recommend Substitute	program recipients (Florida Resident Access Grant – FRAG)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

Data are reported by Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program through a data-sharing agreement with the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida.

Methodology:

Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records of bachelor degree recipients (2006-07) from ICUF institutions to the last 6 years of Florida Resident Access Grant.

Graduates are reported only for FRAG recipients; contract program graduates are not included. Data on contract programs are not available, and most contract programs are not intended to aid students to graduate.

Denominator:

All FRAG recipients in a given year.

Numerator:

Of the denominator, those who earned a degree in the following year.

Validity:

As an indicator of the effectiveness of the Florida Resident Access Grant in increasing the number of college graduates, this measure has validity. It would not be a valid measure for contract program recipients, and data are not available or reported.

This measure requires clarity. In general, the contract program funds are program-specific and not student-specific. However, in some cases, funds are provided to institutions for research and purchase of equipment.

We recommend revising this measure to "Number of degrees granted for Florida Resident Access Grant recipients."

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, ACT1956, ACT1936, ACT1938,
	ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure 37:	Retention rate of award recipients (Delineate by Academic
Recommend Substitute	Contract. Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically Black
	Colleges and Universities)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

This measure requires clarity. In general, the contract program funds are program-specific. There is also a wide variability in the levels of degree programs funded under Academic Contract (Degrees include B.S., M.S., MSW, Ph.D., and M.D.). As a result, data cannot be generalized for all students. Additionally, in some cases, funds are provided to institutions for research and purchase of equipments. Further, only a limited number of private colleges and universities receive contract program funds. An aggregation of performance data would thus be misleading.

Students in the three Historically Black Private Colleges and Universities are not the direct recipients of the state funds. Funds for Historically Black Private Colleges and Universities are provided to the institutions to enhance access, retention, and graduation efforts.

We recommend deleting this measure for contract programs and revising it to 'Retention rate of students who receive a Florida Resident Access Grant', using a 2-year rate.

Data Source:

Data to report this measure for recipients of the Florida Resident Access Grant are compiled by the K20 Education Data Warehouse.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Includes all initial FRAG recipients in a given year

Numerator:

Numerator includes those in denominator found as FRAG recipients in the following year; graduates will not be included in cohort.

Validity:

Research shows that retention into the second year of college is an important milestone toward completion. As an indicator of the effectiveness of the Florida Resident Access Grant in increasing the number of college graduates, this measure has validity. It would not be a valid measure for contract program recipients, and data are not available or reported. Also, it is not recommended to report on the HBCUs separately.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, ACT1956, ACT1936, ACT1938,
	ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure 38:	Graduation rate of award recipients (Delineate by Academic
Recommend Deletion	Contract: Florida Resident Access Grant: Historically Black
	Colleges and Universities)

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data source: PreK-20 Education Data Warehouse.

Methodology:

Data on Independent Colleges and Universities residing in the PreK-20 Education Data Warehouse do not include a first-time in college indicator. Therefore, a proxy was used to identify any student who received a FRAG disbursement in one year, but not in the prior year.

Denominator:

All FRAG initial recipients in a given year.

Numerator:

Of the denominator, those who are found as earning a bachelors degree from any sector in the prior year.

Data are reported for FRAG recipients only.

In general, the contract program funds are in general program-specific. There is also a wide variability in the levels of degree programs funded under Academic Contract (Degrees include B.S., M.S., MSW, Ph.D., and M.D.). As a result, data cannot be generalized for all graduates. Additionally, in some cases, funds are provided to institutions for research and purchase of equipment. Further, only a limited number of private colleges and universities receive contract program funds. An aggregation of performance data would thus be misleading.

Students in the three Historically Black Private Colleges and Universities are not the direct recipients of the state funds. Funds for Historically Black Private Colleges and Universities are provided to the institutions to enhance access, retention, and graduation efforts. Consequently, it is important that we track the graduation rate of students enrolled in the three Historically Black Private Colleges and Universities.

The standard measure for graduation rates is based on the number of students completing a program within 150% of the normal time. Thus, for a 4-year baccalaureate degree program, the standard is the number graduating in 6 years.

The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) defines normal time as the amount of time necessary for a student to complete all requirements for a degree or certificate according to the institution's catalog. This is typically 4 years for a bachelor's degree in a standard term-based institution.

Validity:

One purpose of the Florida Resident Access Grant is to enable students to access the higher education system and graduate. Therefore, graduation from any sector by those who initially receive a FRAG award is a measure toward achieving that goal. Therefore, this is a valid measure of the positive outcomes of providing assistance to Florida residents to enroll in private colleges and universities.

The measure would not be a valid measure of the success of state spending on education if it were reported on HBCUs and colleges participating in contract programs, as students are not the direct beneficiaries of those programs.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department: Program:	Department of Education Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, ACT1956, ACT1936, ACT1938,
	ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure 39:	Of those graduates remaining in Florida, the percent employed at
Recommend Substitute	\$22,000 or more 1 year following graduation (Delineate by
	Academic Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically
	Black Colleges and Universities)

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Student records on graduates are obtained from database of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida as part of the PK20 Education Data Warehouse. Data are available through an agreement with the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program.

Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases. Data on employment and earnings are available for employers who report to the Florida unemployment insurance wage report.

Data are reported in the aggregate for ICUF colleges and cannot be delineated as required in the measure. In general, the contract program funds are program-specific. There is also a wide variability in the levels of degree programs funded under Academic Contract (Degrees include B.S. M.S., MSW, Ph.D., and M.D.). As a result, data cannot be generalized for all graduates. Additionally, in some cases, funds are provided to institutions for research and purchase of equipments. Further, only a limited number of private colleges and universities receive contract program funds. An aggregation of performance data would thus be misleading.

We recommend deleting this measure for contract programs and revising it to reflect all ICUF graduates who remain in Florida. Because the dollar figure for employment may become obsolete, that variable should be removed.

Methodology:

<u>Denominator:</u> Total number of graduates in a given year.

Numerator:

Of those, the number who were found in full-time employment in Florida in the following year.

Validity:

Having graduates who remain in Florida to work is one of the main contributions of private colleges and universities to the workforce (statutory goal 3). However, the earnings threshold of \$22,000 was established some time ago and should be removed. The main goal is to have graduates remain in Florida rather than moving to another state. The measure of graduates found in full time employment in Florida one year after graduation is a valid measure of the success of state support of independent colleges and universities.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, ACT1956, ACT1936, ACT1938,
	ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure: 40	Of those graduates remaining in Florida, the percent employed at
Recommend Substitute	\$22,000 or more 5 years following graduation (Delineate by
	Academic Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically
	Black Colleges and Universities

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Student records on graduates are obtained from database of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida as part of the PK20 Education Data Warehouse. Data are available through an agreement with the Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program. Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases. Data on employment and earnings are available for employers who report to the Florida unemployment insurance wage report.

Data are reported in the aggregate for ICUF colleges and cannot be delineated as required in the measure. In general, the contract program funds are program-specific. There is also a wide variability in the levels of degree programs funded under Academic Contract (Degrees include B.S., M.S., MSW, Ph.D., and M.D.). As a result, data cannot be generalized for all graduates. Additionally, in some cases, funds are provided to institutions for research and purchase of equipments. Further, only a limited number of private colleges and universities receive contract program funds. An aggregation of performance data would thus be misleading. We recommend deleting this measure for contract programs and revising it to reflect all ICUF graduates who remain in Florida. Because the dollar figure for employment may become obsolete, that variable should be removed.

Methodology:

Denominator: Total number of graduates from ICUF institutions in a given year.

<u>Numerator</u>: Of those, the number who were found in full-time employment in Florida in five years later.

Validity:

Having graduates who remain in Florida to work is one of the main contributions of private colleges and universities to the workforce (statutory goal 3). However, the earnings threshold of \$22,000 was established some time ago and should be removed. The main goal is to have graduates remain in Florida rather than moving to another state. The measure of graduates found in full time employment in Florida five years after graduation is a valid measure of the success of state support of independent colleges and universities.

Reliability: This procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, ACT1956, ACT1936, ACT1938,
	ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure 41:	Licensure/certification rates of award recipients, (where
Recommend Deletion	applicable), (Delineate by Academic Contract; Florida Resident
	Access Grant; Historically Black Colleges and Universities)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data bases on licensure and certification shared with the Department of Education are not sufficiently complete to report data on this measure.

This measure requires clarity.

We recommend revising this measure to 'Pass rate on licensure/certification exams (where applicable), for the first sitting (Delineate by Academic Contract; and Historically Black Colleges and Universities)'.

Data Source:

Historically Black Colleges and Universities and institutions that receive contract program funds shall report this measure directly to the Office of Student Financial Assistance.

Methodology:

Not yet established.

Validity:

Methodology not yet implemented; validity not yet established.

Reliability:

Methodology not yet implemented; reliability not yet established.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, and ACT1956
Measure 42:	Number/percent of baccalaureate degree recipients who are
Recommend Deletion	employed in an occupation identified as high wage/high skill on
	the Workforce Estimating Conference list (This measure would be
	for each Academic Contract and for the Florida Resident Access
	Grant)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

This measure requires clarity.

Only a few of the contract program funds are baccalaureate degree-specific. As a result, data cannot be generalized for all students. An aggregation of performance data would thus be misleading.

A baccalaureate degree does not qualify a person to obtain employment in an occupation identified as high wage/high skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference Targeted Occupations list. Those occupations all require a technical education at the certificate- or degree-level.

We recommend deleting this measure.

Data Source:

Methodology:

Validity:

Not valid. If any ICUF graduates were found employed in an occupation requiring a technical certificate or AS degree, that employment would not be related to the baccalaureate degree.

Reliability:

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, ACT1956, ACT1936, ACT1938,
	ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure 43:	Number of prior year's graduates (Delineate by Academic
Recommend Deletion	Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically Black
	Colleges and Universities)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Note: This is the same as measure # 36 for the Florida Resident Access Grant

Data Source:

Data are reported by Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program through a data-sharing agreement with the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida.

Methodology:

Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records of bachelor degree recipients (2005-06) from ICUF institutions to the last 6 years of Florida Resident Access Grant.

Graduates are reported only for FRAG recipients; contract program graduates are not included. Data on contract programs are not available, and most contract programs are not intended to aid students to graduate.

Denominator:

All FRAG recipients in a given year.

Numerator:

Of the denominator, those who earned a degree in a given year.

Validity:

As an indicator of the effectiveness of the Florida Resident Access Grant in increasing the number of college graduates, this measure has validity. It would not be a valid measure for contract program recipients, and data are not available or reported.

This measure requires clarity.

In general, the contract program funds are program-specific and not student-specific. However, in some cases, funds are provided to institutions for research and purchase of equipment.

We recommend revising this measure to 'Number of degrees granted for Florida Resident Access Grant recipients."

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trails, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department: Program:	Department of Education Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1901, ACT1906, ACT1946, and ACT1956
Measure 44:	Number of prior year's graduates remaining in Florida (Academic
Recommend Deletion	Contract)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

This measure requires clarity. In general, the contract program funds are program-specific. However, in some cases, funds are provided to institutions for research and purchase of equipments.

Additionally, Historically Black Colleges and Universities should also report this measure.

We recommend revising this measure to Number of graduates remaining in Florida one year following graduation [Academic Contract (where applicable) and Historically Black Colleges and Universities].

Data Source: The institutions that receive contract program funds and Historically Black Colleges and Universities shall report this measure directly to the Office of Articulation.

Methodology:

Not yet established.

Validity:

Methodology not yet implemented; validity not yet established.

Reliability:

Methodology not yet implemented; reliability not yet established.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Private Colleges and Universities
Service/Budget Entity:	ACT1936, ACT1938, ACT1940, and ACT1960
Measure 45:	Number of FTIC students disaggregated by in-state and out-of
	state (Historically Black Colleges and Universities)

Recommend Deletion

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data are not available to report this measure. The Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF) data residing in the PK20 Education Data Warehouse do not indicate in-state or out-of-state status.

Data Source:

The Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) should report this measure directly to the Office of Student Financial Assistance.

Methodology:

The number of First Generation in College students and the number of First Time in College (FTIC) students enrolled in HBCUs.

Validity:

As an indicator of the extent to which HBCUs are providing access to Florida residents, this is a valid measure. However the measure should include First Generation in College students as well. Funds for Historically Black Private Colleges and Universities are provided to the institutions to enhance access in addition to retention and graduation efforts. Consequently, it is important to track First Generation in College students enrolled in the three HBPCUs.

We recommend revising this measure to: Number of FTIC students and First Generation in College students disaggregated by in-state and out-of-state and gender (HBCUs).

Methodology has not yet been implemented; validity not yet established.

Reliability:

Methodology has not yet been implemented; reliability is not yet established. Data related to the performance measure has not been recently compiled due to organizational restructuring leading to the transfer of responsibility from the Division of Colleges and Universities to the Office of Articulation in January 2006. More recently, the responsibility for tracking the private colleges and universities data was transferred from the Office of Articulation to the Office of Student Financial Assistance in 2012.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity: Measure 46: Recommend Substitute Department of Education Student Financial Assistance Program

Percent of high school graduates who successfully completed the 19 core credits (Bright Futures)

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

The data are not available to report on the measure as written. (The reference to "19 core credits" is unclear, as Bright Futures requires 16 credits.) Therefore, the data reported are for the number of standard high school graduates who were eligible for Bright Futures.

Data Source:

PK20 Education Data Warehouse

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of high school standard diploma recipients in academic year

Numerator:

Of the denominator, the number who were eligible for Bright Futures in the following academic year

Validity:

The percent of high school graduates who are eligible for a merit-based scholarship is a valid indicator of progress toward the statutory goal of highest student achievement.

Reliability:

Data in the student transcript database form the basis for evaluating a student's eligibility for a Bright Future award. Therefore, the data are carefully edited and reliable. However, the term "19 credits" as used in the measure is not defined. Also, it is not clear what is intended by "successfully completed" the courses, because the student can earn high school credit in all fifteen courses but not be eligible for scholarship because of GPA in those courses. Therefore, the computation is not accurately described by the measure.

As a proposed substitute, the department calculated the percent of high school graduates who were eligible for a Bright Futures scholarship.

Denominator:

Number of students receiving a standard high school diploma in a given academic year.

Numerator:

Number of standard high school diploma recipients who were eligible for Bright Futures Scholarships in the following academic year.

Recommendation:

Restate the measure.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	Department of Education Student Financial Assistance Program
Measure 47:	Retention rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system, using a 4-year rate for Florida Colleges and a 6-year rate for
Recommend Substitute	universities (Bright Futures)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

Data to report this measure for recipients of the Bright Futures Scholarship are compiled by the K20 Education Data Warehouse. The measure was calculated using a two-year retention rate. Please see "validity" below for an explanation.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students who received a Bright Futures initial award in a given academic year, (e.g., 2011-12) excluding those who graduated.

Numerator:

Of the denominator, those found enrolled in the following academic year (e.g., 2012-13).

Validity:

Research shows that retention into the second year of college is an important milestone toward completion. As an indicator of the effectiveness of the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship in increasing the number of college graduates, this measure has validity.

However, the measure requires a report of retention two additional years after expected graduation. Remaining in college for such an extended time is not a desirable outcome, and it is not comparable to other measures of retention reported in other systems. Therefore, a two year retention rate is recommended and reported for both Florida Colleges and state universities.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Student Financial Assistance Program
Service/Budget Entity:	
Measure 48:	Graduation rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system
	(Bright Futures)

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Sources:

Education Data Warehouse (EDW) Data Availability: Annually in October

Methodology:

Student records of all Bright Futures initial disbursements in a given academic year are linked to student enrollment records at Florida Colleges and state universities during the most recent academic year for which enrollment records are available. The initial year is identified as four years prior to the current year for Florida Colleges, and 6 years prior to the current year for state universities.

Denominator:

All Bright Futures initial disbursements in a given academic year. Report separately those who enroll in a Florida College System institution and those enrolled in a state university.

Numerator:

Of the denominator, the percent who earned a degree at any time in the following four years (Florida Colleges) or six years (state universities). Numerator includes Florida College System initial enrollments who graduate from a state university within 6 years.

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward the goal of increasing postsecondary continuation rates, the calculation of the graduation rate of recipients of a state grant is a valid measure. However, graduation is not the only positive outcome for recipients of a state grant who enroll in Florida Colleges. A community college student who transfers to a university prior to graduation is a successful student.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The data accurately reflect the percent of Bright Futures students who have graduated after four or six years. The measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. However, the Legislature reviews a number of accountability reports, each having a different method of calculating the graduation rate. Although each method may be reliable according to its definitions, the fact that there are a number of different rates may be confusing.

Department:
Program:
Service/Budget Entity:
Aeasure 49:

Department of Education Student Financial Assistance Program

Percent of high school graduates attending Florida postsecondary institutions (Bright Futures)

Recommend Substitute

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source: State Student Financial Assistance Database

Methodology:

Numerator:

Bright Futures Initial students disbursed at Florida postsecondary eligible institutions in an identified academic year (e.g., 2011-12).

Denominator:

Total number of Bright Futures initial eligible students.

The percent of students who accept an award for which they are eligible is higher for the Florida Medallion Scholarship than for the Florida Academic Scholarship:

Validity:

The established standard appears to mirror the percent of high school graduates who enroll in postsecondary education in Florida the fall following high school graduation. However, the calculation measures only the number of students who accept the Bright Futures Scholarship offered to them. The measure is valid only if it is intended to evaluate whether the Bright Futures program decreases the "brain drain" to out of state institutions. In that case, it is meaningful only if displayed clearly as a trend line. One year of data is not meaningful.

Also, the data would be more meaningful as a measure of the "brain drain" if broken down by the type of scholarship. The Florida Academic Scholarship has more rigorous eligibility standards than the Florida Medallion Scholarship or the Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholarship. The percent of students who accept their Florida Academic Scholarship is less than those who accept the less rigorous award. Presumably, these students could be receiving scholarships to attend out-of-state colleges.

Reliability:

The data reported are reliable as the number deemed eligible and accept their scholarship during a given window of time is documented through funds disbursed.

Department:
Program:
Service/Budget Entity:
Measure 50:

Department of Education Student Financial Assistance Program

Number of Bright Futures recipients

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source: State Student Financial Assistance Database

Date Availability: Annually in September

Validity:

An increase to the number of Bright Futures recipients indicates that more students are achieving the high school requirements for the program. One positive outcome of the Bright Futures program is increased high school achievement.

Reliability:

The calculation is reliable because Bright Futures funding per educational institution is documented at the student record level.

Department: Program:	Department of Education Student Financial Assistance Program
Service/Budget Entity:	orddon r manoar Acoloranoo r rogram
Measure 51:	Retention rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system,
Recommend Substitute	using a 4-year rate for Florida Colleges and a 6-year rate for
	universities (Florida Student Assistance Grant)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

Data to report this measure for recipients of the Florida Student Assistance Grant are compiled by the K20 Education Data Warehouse. The measure was calculated using a two-year retention rate. Please see "validity" below for an explanation.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students who received a Florida Student Assistance Grant initial award in a given year, excluding those who graduated.

Numerator:

Of the denominator, those found enrolled in the following year.

Validity:

Research shows that retention into the second year of college is an important milestone toward completion. As an indicator of the effectiveness of the Florida Student Assistance Grant in increasing the number of college graduates, this measure has validity.

However, the measure requires a report of retention two additional years after expected graduation. Remaining in college long for such an extended time is not a desirable outcome, and it is not comparable to other measures of retention reported in other systems. Therefore, a two year retention rate is recommended and reported for both Florida Colleges and state universities.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Student Financial Assistance Program
Service/Budget Entity:	
Measure 52:	Graduation rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system
	(Florida Student Assistance Grant)

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Sources: Education Data Warehouse (EDW) Data Availability: Annually in October

Methodology:

Student records of all Florida Student Assistance Grant initial disbursements in a given academic year are linked to student enrollment records at Florida Colleges and state universities during the most recent academic year for which enrollment records are available. The initial year is identified as 4 years prior to the current year for Florida Colleges, and 6 years prior to the current year for state universities.

Denominator:

All Florida Student Assistance Grant initial disbursements in a given academic year. Report separately those who enroll in a community college vs. a state university.

Numerator:

Of the denominator, the percent who earned a degree at any time in the following 4 years (Florida Colleges) or 6 years (state universities). Numerator includes community college initial enrollments who graduate from a state university within 6 years.

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward the goal of increasing postsecondary continuation rates, the calculation of the graduation rate of recipients of a state grant is a valid measure. However, graduation is not the only positive outcome for recipients of a state grant who enroll in Florida Colleges. A community college student who transfers to a university prior to graduation is a successful student.

Reliability:

The data accurately reflect the percent of Florida Student Assistance Grant students who have graduated after 4 or 6 years. The measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. However, the Legislature reviews a number of accountability reports, each having a different method of calculating the graduation rate. Although each method may be reliable according to its definitions, the fact that there are a number of different rates may be confusing.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	Department of Education Student Financial Assistance Program
Measure 53: Recommend Deletion	<u>Percent of recipients who, upon completion of the program, work in fields in which there are shortages (Critical Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program)</u>

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Sources: State Student Financial Aid Database.

Numerator:

Record of all Critical Teacher Program recipients who worked in the Critical Teaching Field

Denominator:

Records of all Critical Teacher Program recipients in a given academic year.

Validity:

Not valid. The measure cannot be other than 100 percent. The program requires a recipient of the Critical Teacher Program to work in the field of teaching as a prerequisite for the program.

Reliability:

The data accurately reflect the percentage of participants working in the field of teaching, however, all participants in program must be teaching to receive program award.

This measure should be deleted, as it is meaningless. In addition, The Critical Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program was repealed by the 2011 Florida Legislature.

Department:
Program:
Service/Budget Entity:
Measure 54:
Recommend Deletion

Department of Education State Grants/Pre-K-12 Program—FEFP Code: 48250300

Number/percent of teachers with National Teacher's Certification, reported by district

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

National Board of Professional Teaching Standards at http://www.nbpts.org/

Funding is available through a Federal Subsidy grant from the United States Department of Education and the Dale Hickam Excellent Teacher Program. Data on the state funds distribution are maintained for accounting purposes. National data are used as teachers may relocate without notifying the Department of Education.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of teachers in Florida in a specific academic year (e.g., 2011-12 data).

Numerator:

Number of teachers in Florida who hold National Board Certification during the same academic year.

Validity:

Validity of this measure cannot be determined because the Department of Education has not adopted an objective whose progress is measured by an increase in the number of teachers with national board certification. The department keeps track of the state funding provided but has no other program responsibilities related to national board certification of teachers.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

LRPP EXHIBIT IV: PERFORMANCE MEASURE VALIDITY AND RELIABILITY Department: **Department of Education** Program: Public Schools Service/Budget Entity: Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565) School Improvement (ACT0605) Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635) Measure 55: Number/percent of "A" schools, reported by district Action (check one): Requesting revision to approved performance measure. Change in data sources or measurement methodologies. Requesting new measure. Backup for performance measure. **Data Sources and Methodology:** Data Sources: Evaluation and Reporting database. Available in Excel format (searchable) at: http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/ Methodology: Denominator: Total number of graded schools (A-F) in 2012-13 Numerator: Of those, the number of schools with grade of A in 2012-13 (Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels. School grades for high schools will not be available until late 2013). Validity: Tracked over time, this measure is valid as an indicator of progress toward achieving the statutory goal of Highest Student Achievement. Schools are assigned a grade based primarily upon student achievement data from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). School grades communicate to the public how well a school is performing relative to state standards. School grades are calculated based on annual learning gains of each student toward achievement of Sunshine State Standards, the progress of the lowest performing students, and other criteria. **Reliability:** This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

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LRPP EXHIBIT IV: PERFORMANCE MEASURE VALIDITY AND RELIABILITY

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity: Measure: 56	Department of Education <u>Public Schools</u> <u>Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565)</u> <u>School Improvement (ACT0605)</u> <u>Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635)</u> <u>Number/percent of D or F schools, reported by district</u>		
Action (check one): Requesting revision to approved performance measure. Change in data sources or measurement methodologies. Requesting new measure. Backup for performance measure.			
Data Sources and Methode	ology:		
Data Sources: Evaluation and Reporting database. Available in Excel format (searchable) at: <u>http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/</u> .			
Methodology:			
Denominator: Total number of graded schools (A-F) in 2012-13			
Numerator: Of those, the number of schools with grade of "D", plus the number with a grade of "F", in 2012- 13.			
(Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels. School grades for high schools will not be available until late 2013).			
	easure is valid as an indicator of progress toward achieving the ident Achievement. The measure is negative, in that low percentages an high percentages.		
Schools are assigned a grade based primarily upon student achievement data from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). School grades communicate to the public how well a school is performing relative to state standards. School grades are calculated based on annual learning gains of each student toward achievement of state standards, the progress of the lowest performing students, and other criteria.			
Reliability: This measuring procedure y sufficiently error-free.	ields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and		

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	Department of Education Public Schools Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565) School Improvement (ACT0605) Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635)
Measure 57:	Number/percent of schools declining one or more letter grades, reported by district

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Sources:

Evaluation and Reporting data base. Available in Excel format (searchable) on the World Wide Web at: <u>http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/</u>.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of schools that earned a grade of A-F in both 2012 and 2013, minus the schools graded F in 2012 that also earned a grade in 2013 (unable to decline one or more grades)

Numerator:

Of those, the number of schools that declined one or more grades

(Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels. School grades for high schools will not be available until late 2013).

Validity:

Tracked over time, this measure is valid as an indicator of progress toward achieving the statutory goal of *Highest Student Achievement*.

Schools are assigned a grade based primarily upon student achievement data from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). School grades communicate to the public how well a school is performing relative to state standards. School grades are calculated based on annual learning gains of each student toward achievement of state standards, the progress of the lowest performing students, and other criteria.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Public Schools
Service/Budget Entity:	Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565)
	School Improvement (ACT0605)
	Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635)
Measure 58:	Number/percent of schools improving one or more letter
	grades, reported by district

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Sources:

Evaluation and Reporting data base. Available in Excel format (searchable) on the World Wide Web at: <u>http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/</u>.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of schools that earned a grade of A-F in both 2012 and 2013, minus the schools graded A in 2012 that also earned a grade in 2013 (unable to improve because already at the top)

Numerator:

Of those, the number of schools that improved one or more grades

Note: School grades do not include schools serving high school grade levels. School grades for high schools will not be available until late 2013).

Validity:

Tracked over time, this measure is valid as an indicator of progress toward achieving the statutory goal of *Highest Student Achievement*.

Schools are assigned a grade based primarily upon student achievement data from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). School grades communicate to the public how well a school is performing relative to state standards. School grades are calculated based on annual learning gains of each student toward achievement of state standards, the progress of the lowest performing students, and other criteria.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department; Program:
Service/Budget Entity:
Measure:
Recommend Addition

Department of Education State Grants/K-12 Program—FEFP Code: 48250300

Florida's High School Graduation Rate

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

Florida's Automated Student Data Base, maintained by the Department of Education, Office of Education Information and Accountability Services, is a unit record level data base of student information maintained at the Northwest Regional Data Center. It is a nationally recognized data resource that is capable of following individual student records over time and across reporting centers, such as different schools and school districts. This data base enables Florida to report a bona fide cohort

Methodology:

The calculation is designed to account for students who transfer out of the school population by removing them from the group of students (cohort) for which the school district is held responsible. Likewise, students who transfer into the school population are added to the cohort by being included in the count of the class with which they were initially scheduled to graduate (i.e., upon entry). For example, a 10th grader who transfers into the district will be included with the 4-year cohort of students who entered ninth grade for the first time during the previous year.

Determining the denominator for the formula involves the following steps: determine the cohort of students who enrolled as first-time ninth-graders four years prior to the year for which the graduation rate is to be measured; add to this group any subsequent incoming transfer students who are on the same schedule to graduate; and subtract students who transfer out for various reasons, or who are deceased.

The numerator consists of the number of graduates from this group (diploma recipients, excluding certificates of completion).

Validity:

Tracked over time, this measure is valid as an indicator of progress toward achieving the statutory goal of *Highest Student Achievement*.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	Department of Education Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Measure 59:	Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program identified as high wage/high skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$4,680 or more per quarter (Level III)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Sources:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students who earned vocational certificates or occupational completion points.

Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases on continuing education and earnings. Follow-up data on postsecondary enrollment are available for public postsecondary institutions and private postsecondary institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). Data on employment and earnings are available for employers who report to the unemployment insurance wage report.

The Industry Certification Funding List for 2007-08 through 2011-12 identified the high wage/high skill occupations.

The Unemployment Insurance Wage Report file identified employment and earnings for the targeted occupations. Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records with the UI wage report records to identify the former students who were employed and earning at the threshold established in the measure.

The criteria for high wage/high skill occupations are set annually. As items are removed from the list, the numbers of students can change resulting in increases or decreases on this measure.

Methodology:

Denominator:

In the most recent years, the number of persons earning an occupational completion point in a program on the targeted occupations list; data obtained by Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program from CCTMIS files.

Numerator:

Of those, the number found employed at \$4,680 or more per quarter in the 4th quarter of the year following program completion.

Note: Those found employed at Level II were subtracted from both the numerator and the denominator. Level II is reported in Measure 60 of the Long Range Program Plan.

Validity:

As a measure of progress toward the statutory goal of a skilled workforce and economic development, this measure provides a valid indicator of the contribution of public technical centers to the need for skilled workers in high wage/high skill areas. The targeted occupations list is a valid outcome criterion as it is the product of state and regional labor market supply and demand analysis and projections. Occupational completion points are an appropriate and valid criterion for determining the completer cohort as they are linked to industry standards and competencies, which in turn are linked to Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) codes. Students earning an occupational completion point have demonstrated that they can perform these competencies and may exit a program with occupationally specific marketable skills.

Reliability:

After being collected and reviewed locally, data are reported electronically by districts (and colleges?) at regular intervals. If there are logical inconsistencies or key elements missing, records are automatically flagged for review and correction. Information collected on continuing education and earnings is the best available at this time. However, there are some gaps in the data. For example, students employed outside of the state of Florida will not be identified in the Unemployment Insurance database. Also, missing values or errors in student Social Security Numbers will result in bad data matches. Self-employed individuals also will not be found in the match.

The criteria for high wage/high skill occupations are set annually. As items are removed from the list, the numbers of students can change resulting in increases or decreases on this measure.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	Department of Education Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Measure 60:	Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program identified for new entrants on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$3,900 or more per guarter, or are found continuing education in a college credit program

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Sources:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students who earned vocational certificates or occupational completion points.

Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases on continuing education and earnings. Follow-up data on postsecondary enrollment are available for public postsecondary institutions and private postsecondary institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). Data on employment and earnings are available for employers who report to the unemployment insurance wage report.

The Industry Certification Funding List for 2007-08 through 2011-12 identified the high wage/high skill occupations.

The Unemployment Insurance Wage Report file identified employment and earnings for the targeted occupations. Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records with the UI wage report records to identify the former students who were employed and earning at the threshold established in the measure.

Methodology:

Denominator:

In most of the recent year, the number of persons earning vocational certificates in a program on the statewide demand occupations list for matching year; data obtained by Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program from CCTMIS files.

Numerator:

Of those, the number found employed at \$3,900 or more per quarter in the 4th quarter of the year following program completion, plus the number who were found enrolled in a program at a higher level.

Note: Those found employed at Level III (\$4,680 or more per quarter) were subtracted from both the numerator and the denominator. Level III is reported in Measure 59 of the Long Range Program Plan.

Validity:

As a measure of progress toward the statutory goal of a skilled workforce and economic development, this measure provides a valid indicator of the contribution of public technical centers to the need for skilled workers in high wage/high skill areas.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. Data collected on continuing education and earnings is the best available at this time. However, there are some gaps in the data.

The criteria for high wage/high skill occupations are set annually. In addition, the links between education programs and occupations were updated for the 2004-05 reporting year. As items are removed from the list, the numbers of students can change resulting in increases or decreases on this measure.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	Department of Education Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Measure 61:	Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate completion points, at least one of which is within a program not included in Levels II or III and are found employed, enlisted in the military, or are continuing their education at the vocational certificate level (Level I)

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students who earned occupational completion points. Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases on continuing education and earnings. Follow-up data on postsecondary enrollment are available for public postsecondary institutions and private postsecondary institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). Data on employment and earnings are available for employers who report to the unemployment insurance wage report. Data on military enlistment are obtained from federal reports.

The Unemployment Insurance Wage Report file identified employment. Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records with the UI wage report records to identify the former students who were employed and earning at the threshold established in the measure.

Methodology:

Denominator:

In the most recent year, the number of persons earning an occupational completion point in any career and technical education; data obtained by Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program from CCTMIS files.

Note: This calculation excludes former students who earned completion points in a program identified as level II or II on the Targeted Occupations List; they are included in the calculation for measures 59 and 60 in the Long Range Program Plan.

Numerator:

Of those, the number found employed at any level of earnings, plus the number who were found enrolled in a program at a level higher than the vocational certificate level, and the number found enlisted in the United States Armed Forces.

Validity:

As a measure of progress toward the statutory goal of a skilled workforce and economic development, this measure provides a valid indicator of the contribution of public technical centers to the need for trained workers and for continuing education of those at the entry level.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. Data collected on continuing education, earnings, and military enlistment is the best available at this time. However, there are some gaps in the data.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	Department of Education Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Measure 62:	Number/percent of workforce development programs which meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards for those programs that teach a subject matter for which there is a nationally recognized accrediting body

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

No database is currently available.

Methodology:

N/A

Validity:

This is a valid measure of the quality of career-technical technical programs for which national accreditation or certification standards are available. If technical centers offer programs that meet the industry standards required by employees, students who complete those programs will be able to meet or exceed the requirements of local business and industry. However, some career and technical programs may not have standards established by a nationally recognized accrediting body.

Reliability:

For reliability, it is necessary to update annually the information on all career and technical education programs. Data are not available. Collection of data on this measure requires collection of self-reported information on program accreditation or certifications for all career and technical programs

Norkforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Number/percent of students attending workforce development
programs that meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

No database is currently available.

Methodology:

Validity:

This is a valid measure of the quality of career-technical technical programs for which national accreditation or certification standards are available. Students enrolled in accredited or certified programs should be the most prepared for the current requirements of local business and industry. However, some career and technical programs may not have standards established by a nationally recognized accrediting body.

Reliability:

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity:	<u>Department of Education</u> Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Measure 64:	Number/percent of students completing workforce
	development programs that meet or exceed nationally
	recognized accrediting or certification standards

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

No database is currently available.

Methodology:

Validity:

This is a valid measure of the quality of career-technical technical programs for which national accreditation and/or certification standards are available. Students enrolled in accredited or certified programs should be the most prepared for the current requirements of local business and industry. However, some career and technical education programs may not have standards established by a nationally recognized accrediting body.

Reliability:

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education

Service/Budget Entity: Measure 65:

Number of adult basic education, including English as a Second Language, and adult secondary education completion point completers who are found employed or continuing their education

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students who earned literacy completion points.

Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases on continuing education and earnings. Follow-up data on postsecondary enrollment are available for public postsecondary institutions and private postsecondary institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). Data on employment and earnings are available for employers who report to the unemployment insurance wage report.

The Unemployment Insurance Wage Report file identified employment. Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records with the UI wage report records to identify the former students who were employed at any level. Linkages with postsecondary education files identified those who were found continuing their education at any level.

Calculation:

Denominator:

All students who earned any literacy completion point during the most reporting year.

Numerator:

Of those, the number who were found employed at any level or who were found enrolled in any level of education.

Validity:

This measure is not a valid indicator of the effect of education on employability. The number who earn a completion point does not reflect the quality of the education program, and the employment prospects are likely to improve only if a student completes an entire program and earns a GED or adult high school diploma. The denominator includes all types of Literacy Completion Points, from a two-year learning gain to completion of the GED. Not all LCPs have the same impact on employability and continuing education. The lowest level of learning gain will likely have a much less significant impact on employability than a higher level learning gain.

Reliability:

The measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Service/Budget Entity:	Credential attainment - career education certificate completers,
Measure:	placed in full-time employment, military enlistment, or continuing
Recommend New	education at a higher level (Data include students completing

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students who earned career education certificates.

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Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases on continuing education and employment. Follow-up data on postsecondary enrollment are available for public postsecondary institutions and private postsecondary institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). Data on employment is available for employers who report to the unemployment insurance wage report.

The Unemployment Insurance Wage Report file identified employment. Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records with the UI wage report records to identify the former students who were employed at any level. Linkages with postsecondary education files identified those who were found continuing their education at any level.

Calculation:

Denominator:

All students who earned any career education certificate during the most recent year.

Numerator:

Of those, the numbers who were found employed at any level or who were found enrolled in any level of education.

Validity:

As a measure of progress toward the statutory goal of a skilled workforce and economic development, this measure provides a valid indicator of the contribution of Florida Colleges and public technical centers to the need for skilled workers in high wage/high skill areas. Career certificate completion is an appropriate and valid criterion for determining the completer cohort as the Curriculum Frameworks are linked to industry standards and competencies, which in turn are linked to Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) codes. Students earning a career certificate have demonstrated that they can perform these competencies and may exit a program with occupationally specific marketable skills.

Reliability:

After being collected and reviewed locally, data are reported electronically by districts and colleges at regular intervals. If there are logical inconsistencies or key elements missing, records

are automatically flagged for review and correction. Information collected on continuing education and earnings is the best available at this time. However, there are some gaps in the data. For example, students employed outside of the state of Florida will not be identified in the Unemployment Insurance database. Also, missing values or errors in student Social Security Numbers will result in bad data matches. Self-employed individuals also will not be found in the match.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education

Service/Budget Entity: Measure:

Measure:	Number and percent of college credit career certificate
Recommend New	completers who are placed in full-time employment, military
	enlistment, or continuing education at a higher level

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students who earned college credit career education certificates.

Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases on continuing education and employment. Follow-up data on postsecondary enrollment are available for public postsecondary institutions and private postsecondary institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). Data on employment is available for employers who report to the unemployment insurance wage report.

The 4th quarter Unemployment Insurance Wage Report file identified employment. Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records with the UI wage report records to identify the former students who were employed at any level. Linkages with postsecondary education files identified those who were found continuing their education at any level.

Calculation:

Denominator:

All students who earned any college credit career education certificate during the most recent reporting year.

Numerator:

Of those, the numbers who were found employed at any level or who were found enrolled in any level of education.

Validity:

As a measure of progress toward the statutory goal of a skilled workforce and economic development, this measure provides a valid indicator of the contribution of Florida Colleges to the need for skilled workers. College credit certificate completion is an appropriate and valid criterion for determining the completer cohort as the Curriculum Frameworks are linked to industry standards and competencies, which in turn are linked to Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) codes. Students earning a college credit certificate have demonstrated that they can perform these competencies and may exit a program with occupationally specific marketable skills.

Reliability:

After being collected and reviewed locally, data are reported electronically by colleges at regular intervals. If there are logical inconsistencies or key elements missing, records are automatically flagged for review and correction. Information collected on continuing education and earnings is the best available at this time. However, there are some gaps in the data. For example, students employed outside of the state of Florida will not be identified in the Unemployment Insurance database. Also, missing values or errors in student Social Security Numbers will result in bad data matches. Self-employed individuals also will not be found in the match.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Service/Budget Entity:	Number and percent of adult basic education completers who
Measure:	are found employed full-time, in the U.S. Armed Forces, or
Recommend New	continuing their education

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on adult general education students.

Follow-up information on those students was provided by the Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program databases on continuing education and employment. Follow-up data on postsecondary enrollment are available for public postsecondary institutions and private postsecondary institutions that are members of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). Data on employment are available for employers who report to the unemployment insurance wage report.

The 4th quarter Unemployment Insurance Wage Report file identified employment. Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program linked student records with the UI wage report records to identify the former students who were employed at any level. Linkages with postsecondary education files identified those who were found continuing their education at any level.

Calculation:

Denominator:

Students enrolled in the highest level of adult basic education who earn a literacy completion point.

Numerator:

Of those, the number enrolled in adult secondary education, postsecondary career and technical education, employed fulltime, or in the U.S. armed forces.

Validity:

The highest level of adult basic education represents the grade-level equivalent of 7.0 to 8.9. Students completing this functioning level are ready to enter adult secondary programs (adult high school or GED preparation). Students are pre-and post-tested to determine placement and completion using nationally recognized instruments approved by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE). All tests are proctored and certified using written procedures to ensure test validity. Students completing an educational functioning level are reported to FDOE with a literacy completion point. Students who have pre- and post-tested are reported to FDOE for accountability purposes.

Reliability:

After being collected and reviewed locally, data are reported electronically by districts and colleges at regular intervals. If there are logical inconsistencies or key elements missing, records are automatically flagged for review and correction. Information collected on continuing education and earnings is the best available at this time. However, there are some gaps in the data. For example, students employed outside of the state of Florida will not be identified in the Unemployment Insurance database. Also, missing values or errors in student Social Security Numbers will result in bad data matches. Self-employed individuals also will not be found in the match.

	Department: Program:	Department of Education Workforce Education/ Career and Adult Education
	Service/Budget Entity: Measure: Recommend New	Number and percent of students in career certificate and credit hour technical programs who took a DOE approved industry certification or technical skill assessment exam
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Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students enrolled in career certificate and college credit career and technical education programs. Districts and colleges report industry certifications and third-party technical skill assessments taken and earned by these students to CCTCMIS.

Calculation:

Denominator:

Students enrolled in career certificate or college credit career and technical education programs in school districts and Florida Colleges.

Numerator:

Of these, the number who were reported as having taken an assessment in the appropriate Perkins Act technical skill attainment inventory or industry certification found on the Career and Professional Education Act Funding List.

Validity:

As a measure of progress toward the statutory goal of a skilled workforce and economic development, this measure provides a valid indicator of the contribution of Florida Colleges and public technical centers to the need for skilled workers. Taking industry certifications and third-party technical skill assessments is a first step toward validating that the instruction delivered in the educational program is meeting industry standards and producing individuals with skills employers are looking for.

Reliability:

After being collected and reviewed locally, data are reported electronically by districts and colleges at regular intervals. If there are logical inconsistencies or key elements missing, records are automatically flagged for review and correction.

Department: Program:	Department of Education Workforce Education/Career and Adult Education
Service/Budget Entity: Measure: Recommend New	Number and percent of students taking an approved industry certification or technical skill attainment exam who earned a certification or passed a technical assessment exam

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

The Community College and Technical Center Management Information System (CCTMIS) provided data on students enrolled in career certificate and college credit career and technical education programs. Districts and colleges report industry certifications and third-party technical skill assessments taken and earned by these students to CCTCMIS.

Calculation:

Denominator:

Students enrolled in career certificate or college credit career and technical education programs in school districts and Florida Colleges who were reported as having taken an assessment in the appropriate Perkins Act technical skill attainment inventory or industry certification found on the Career and Professional Education Act Funding List.

Numerator:

Of these, the number who were reported as having passed.

Validity:

As a measure of progress toward the statutory goal of a skilled workforce and economic development, this measure provides a valid indicator of the contribution of Florida Colleges and public technical centers to the need for skilled workers. This is a truer measure of the quality of the education delivered as opposed to labor market outcome measures which are influenced by macroeconomic climate, local labor market supply and demand, and individual student-level variables outside of the influence of the educational program (e.g., personality, soft skills, drive, work habits, access to transportation, and child-care needs). Attainment of an industry certification validates the instruction delivered in the educational program as meeting industry standards and producing individuals with skills employers are looking for.

Reliability:

After being collected and reviewed locally, data are reported electronically by districts and colleges at regular intervals. If there are logical inconsistencies or key elements missing, records are automatically flagged for review and correction.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 66:	Number/percent of associate in science degree and college-
Recommend Deletion	credit certificate program completers who finished a program
	identified as high wage/high skill on the Workforce Estimating
	Conference list and are found employed at \$4,680 or more per
	guarter (Level III)

Action:

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

As part of the standard submission process for the Student Data Base (SDB), verification reports are generated for each data element. These reports are available to each institution for their use. Once the institutions have had an opportunity to review their submissions, they provide the Division of Florida Colleges a certification report signifying that the data are accurate to the best of their knowledge.

Information from the 28 institutions is then combined into one system level file. Record counts are maintained to ensure that the system file contains all of the information submitted.

Information on the students in programs identified as high wage/high skill is from Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program's (FETPIP) databases.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of AS and college-credit certificate program completers who finished programs identified as high wage/ high skill

Numerator:

Number of those found by FETPIP to be employed for at least \$4,680 per quarter

Validity:

The objective seeks to annually expand the percentage of students who enroll in and complete workforce education programs and are placed as a result. This measure identifies students who complete the programs and are currently working. Therefore, this is a valid measure of the objective.

Reliability:

The occupations on the Workforce Estimating Conference list as high wage/high skill may change from year to year. The occupational data are not tracked longitudinally.

Department: Program:	<u>Department of Education</u> Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 67:	Number/percent of associate in science degree and college-
Recommend Deletion	credit certificate program completers who finished a program
	identified for new entrants on the Workforce Estimating
	Conference list and are found employed at \$3,900 or more per
	quarter, or are found continuing education in a college-credit
	<u>level program (Level II)</u>

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

All of the data elements used in calculating the measures contained in the Long Range Program Plan are contained in the Community College and Technical Center MIS. The community college files in this database are built from submission files provided by each of the 28 institutions in the Florida College System (FCS). Instructions for file submissions and elements definitions are contained in the Student Data Base Data Element Dictionary, which is posted to http://www.fldoe.org/arm/cctcmis/pubs/ccdictionary/dictionarymain.asp.

Discussion of the changes in the elements of the SDB from the previous year are undertaken during the Management Information Systems Advisory Taskforce (MISATOR) meetings, which are held twice a year.

As part of the standard submission process for the SDB, verification reports are generated for each data element. These reports are available to each institution for their use. Once the institutions have had an opportunity to review their submissions, they provide the Division of Florida Colleges a certification report signifying that the data are accurate to the best of their knowledge.

Information from the 28 institutions is then combined into one system level file. Record counts are maintained to ensure that the system file contains all of the information submitted.

Information on the students in programs identified as high-wage/high-skill is from Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program's (FETPIP) databases.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of AS and college-credit certificate program completers who finished programs identified for new entrants

Numerator:

Number of those found by FETPIP to be employed for at least \$3,900 per quarter and number of those found continuing education in a college-credit level program

Validity:

The objectives do not address college continuation for AS or college-credit certificate students. Therefore, this is not a valid measure of the objective.

Reliability:

The occupations on the Comprehensive Industry Certification List as new entrants may change from year to year. The occupational data are not tracked longitudinally.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 68:	Number/percent of associate in science degree and college-
Recommend Deletion	credit certificate program completers who finished any
	program not included in Levels II or III and are found
	employed, enlisted in the military, or continuing their
	education at the vocational certificate level (Level I)

Action:

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

All of the data elements used in calculating the measures contained in the LRPP are contained in the Community College and Technical Center MIS (CCTCMIS) databases. The community college files in this database are built from submission files provided by each of the 28 institutions in the Florida College System (FCS). Instructions for file submissions and elements definitions are contained in the Student Data Base Data Element Dictionary posted to: http://www.fldoe.org/arm/cctcmis/pubs/ccdictionary/dictionary_main.asp.

Discussion of the changes in the elements of the SDB from the previous year are undertaken during the Management Information Systems Advisory Taskforce (MISATOR) meetings held twice a year.

As part of the standard submission process for the SDB, verification reports are generated for each data element. These reports are available to each institution for their use. Once the institutions have had an opportunity to review their submissions, they provide the Division of Florida Colleges a certification report signifying that the data are accurate to the best of their knowledge.

Information from the 28 institutions is then combined into one system level file. Record counts are maintained to ensure that the system file contains all of the information submitted.

Information on the students in programs identified as high wage/high skill is from Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program's (FETPIP) databases.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of AS and college-credit certificate program completers who finished programs not identified as high wage/high skill and not identified as new entrants

Numerator:

Number of those found by FETPIP to be employed and number of those found to be enlisted in the military (through FEDES) and number of those found continuing their education at the vocational certificate level

Validity:

The objective only addresses the placement portion of this measure.

Reliability:

The occupations on the Workforce Estimating Conference list as new entrants may change from year to year. The occupational data are not tracked longitudinally.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 69:	Percent of Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree graduates who
	transfer to a state university within two years.

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

All of the data elements used in calculating the measures contained in the LRPP are contained in the Community College and Technical Center MIS (CCTCMIS) databases. T he community college files in this database are built from submission files provided by each of the 28 institutions in the Florida College System (FCS). Instructions for file submissions and elements definitions are contained in the Student Data Base Data Element Dictionary, which is posted to: http://www.fldoe.org/arm/cctcmis/pubs/ccdictionary/dictionary_main.asp.

Discussion of the changes in the elements of the SDB from the previous year during the Management Information Systems Advisory Taskforce (MISATFOR) meetings held twice a year.

As part of the standard submission process for the Student Data Base (SDB), verification reports are generated for each data element. These reports are available to each institution for their use. Once the institutions have had an opportunity to review their submissions, they provide CCTCMIS a certification report signifying that the data are accurate to the best of their knowledge.

Information from the 28 institutions is then combined into one system level file. Record counts are maintained to ensure that the system file contains all of the information submitted.

State University System (SUS) data are provided by the SUS Board of Governors to the Florida Department of Education's PK-20 Data Warehouse or to CCTCMIS where students can be tracked from one public system to another.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students enrolled in a Florida College who earned the A.A. degree in an academic year

Numerator:

Of those, the number found enrolled in a Florida public baccalaureate program in the year of graduation or the year following.

Validity:

The objective seeks to increase the transfer rate of A.A. degree students into four-year programs. Research shows that most A.A. degree student transfers occur within the first two years of earning the degree. Therefore, this is a valid measure of the transfer of A.A. degree students.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the LRPP is extracted from the results of various SAS programs. These programs have been developed over the years as part of the Division of Florida Colleges Accountability Program or specifically for the Long Range Program Plan.

This measure could be more comprehensive with the addition of National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) data, which would allow tracking into private and out of state institutions.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 70:	Percent of Associate in Arts (A.A) degree transfers to the
	State University System who earn a 2.5 or above in the SUS
	after one year

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

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Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students who earned the A.A. degree in one academic year and transferred to the State University System in the next year

Numerator:

Of those, the number who earned a 2.5 or above GPA in the SUS

Validity:

The objective seeks to increase the proportion of A.A. degree transfers to state universities who successfully complete upper-division coursework. A GPA of 2.5 or above is used to define "successful completion of coursework". Therefore, this is a valid measure of the successful completion of coursework by A.A. transfer students.

Reliability:

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Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 71:	Of the Associate in Arts (A.A) graduates who are employed
Recommend Revision	full time rather than continuing their education, the percent
	who are in jobs earning at least \$9 an hour

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Information on students' employment is from Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program's (FETPIP) databases.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students enrolled in a Florida College who earned the A.A. degree

Numerator:

Of those, the number found by FETPIP to be employed and earning at least \$13.37/hour (The amount changes year to year; this hourly rate was from FETPIP's Annual Outcomes Report from December 2011.)

Validity:

The objective seeks to monitor the percentage of non-transfer A.A. graduates employed in high skill/high wage jobs. This measure defines high wage jobs as those earning \$9/hour or more. Therefore, this is a valid measure.

Reliability:

This measure currently uses \$13.37/hour, while the Performance Based Program Budgeting and the objective linked to this measure both use \$10/hour. This measure is not currently reliable because this is creating an inconsistency in reporting. However, if this correction is made, this measure will be consistent with the Performance Based Program Budgeting measure.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 72:	Of the Associate in Arts (A.A) students who complete 18
Recommend Revision	credit hours, the percent of whom graduate in four years

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

Denominator = Number of students enrolled in a Florida College A.A. program who earned at least 18 credit hours

Numerator = Of those, the number who earned an A.A. within four years of entering the program

Validity:

The objective seeks to increase the proportion of A.A. students with 18 credit hours who graduate in four years. However, graduation is only one goal of students who attend the community college. This measure should be changed to include the retention of students in the community college system. Measure 1, Part 2 of the Community College Accountability Reports currently calculates a retention rate as the percentage of students who graduated or are still enrolled after four years. This calculation should be used for Measure #72 to provide consistency among reporting mechanisms.

Reliability:

Reliability of the current measure - While 18 hours has been used for more than a decade in the Florida College System's accountability system, past work with the Achieving the Dream states has indicated a need to change to 12 hours in order to compare across the states. We have incorporated the 12 hour cutoff in our latest Strategic Imperative measure. Therefore, changing this measure to 12 hours would promote consistency between the LRPP and Strategic Imperative measures.

Reliability of the proposed measure – This is a reliable measure because the Accountability Reports have been calculated from the Community College Student Data Base and are reported annually.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 73:	Percent of students graduating with total accumulated credit
	hours that are less than or equal to 120 percent of degree
	requirement

Action (check one):

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- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students enrolled in a Florida College who earned the A.A. degree in an academic year

Numerator:

Of those, the number who earned 72 credit hours or less

Validity:

The objective seeks to improve graduation rates. An Associate in Arts degree is 60 credit hours. Students who are able to complete their degree with 12 or fewer additional hours are able to do so in a more time efficient manner and thereby save themselves and the State monies that can be used to finance upper-division work. Therefore, analyzing this measure annually is a valid method of determining the improvement of the hours to graduation rate.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the Long Range Program Plan is extracted from the results of various SAS programs, which have been developed over the years as part of the Division of Florida Colleges Accountability Program or specifically for the Long Range Program Plan.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 74:	Percent of students exiting the college-preparatory program
	who enter college-level course work associated with the
	Associate in Arts (A.A), Associate in Science (A.S.),
	Postsecondary Vocational Certificate (PVC), and
	Postsecondary Adult Vocational programs

Action (check one):

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Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

LRPP College Prep 1 year follow-up

Match Measure 4 Part 2 College Preparatory Cohort of Success Students with the Student Demographic Tables and the Student Program Tables By College and Student ID Select: D.E. 1028 Year = 2005 D.E. 1028 Term = 2 - Fall, 3 - Winter/Spring OR D.E. 1028 Year = 2006 D.E. 1028 Term = 1 - Summer D.E. Term Submission = 'E' - End of Term D.E. 3001 Course-Information Classification Structure = 12101, 12201, 12301, 12401, 12501, 12601, 12701 or <=11849 for College Credit 12102, 12202, 12302, 12402, 12502, 12602, 12702 for PSAV D.E. 3007 Course Grade Awarded in ('A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'F', 'P', 'PR', 'S')

D.E. 2005 Program of Study – Level = '0' – A.A., '1' – AS, '2' – PSAVC, '3' – Awaiting Limited Access Program, '8' – PSVC, 'A' – A.A.S **By** Year and Program **Match** with the Vocational CIP Tables

Select:

D.E. 2005 Program of Study – Level = '3' – Awaiting Limited Access Program Vocational CIP Award Type = 'A.A.S', "PSV' Vocational Occupational Completion Point Indicator = 'Z' – Not Applicable

Validity:

The objective seeks to increase the proportion of college preparatory students who continue on to college-level coursework. Once students who take courses associated with A.A., AS, PSAV, and PSVC programs have finished College Prep work, they are participating in the next level and thereby meeting this objective.

Reliability:

There is a code in the Community College Student Data Base for exiting college preparatory classes. However, in the past the institutions have not used this code consistently. In recent years, there has been an effort to improve the quality of the data for this data element, but it is still not 100% accurate. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the LRPP is extracted from the results of various SAS programs. These programs have been developed over the years as part of the Division of Florida Colleges Accountability Program or specifically for the LRPP.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 75:	Percent of Associate in Arts (A.A) degree transfers to the
	State University System (SUS) who started in College Prep and
	who earn a 2.5 in the SUS after one year

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students who took at least one College Prep course, earned the A.A. degree and transferred to the State University System in the year following graduation

Numerator:

Of those, the number who earned a 2.5 or above GPA in the SUS

Validity:

The objective seeks to increase the percentage of A.A. degree transfers to state universities who started in College Prep and who successfully complete upper-division coursework. A GPA of 2.5 or above is used to define "successful completion of coursework". Therefore, this is a valid measure of the successful completion of coursework by A.A. transfer students.

Reliability:

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Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 76:	Number/Percent of Associate in Arts (A.A) partial completers
Recommend Revision	transferring to the State University System (SUS) with at least
	45 credit hours

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

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Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students who transferred to the State University System prior to earning an A.A. degree

Numerator;

Of those, the number who transferred at least 45 credit hours

Validity:

The objective seeks to monitor the proportion of A.A. partial completers who are transferring to the State University System. Partial completers are defined as those students who are transferring, but not earning the degree. Therefore, this is a valid measure of the transfer of A.A. partial completers.

Reliability:

The credit hours on this measure should be changed to 45 credit hours to match the Performance Based Program Budget measure. Once this is done, this measuring procedure will yield the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the Long Range Program Plan is extracted from the results of various SAS programs. These programs have been developed over the years as part of the Division of Florida Colleges Accountability Program or specifically for the Long Range Program Plan.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 77:	Number/Percent/FTEs of Associate in Arts (A.A) students
Recommend Deletion	who do not complete 18 credit hours within four years

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology

This shows Number, FTE, percent of First Time in College A.A. degree students from the Fall 2007-08 term who have not completed at least 18 college credits during the tracking period (Fall 2007-08 through Winter/Spring 2012). This uses the files and program methodology from the Accountability 2007 M1P2 Retention and Success

Start with the Total Cohort Pool from Accountability 2011 M1P2

First Time students include FTIC and previous year high school graduates who were dual enrolled in the last two reporting years.

For FTIC Students:

Data Element	<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>
1005	First Time Student Flag	'Y' – Yes
1032	Transfer Flag	Not 'Y'

For previous year high school graduates who were dual enrolled the last time they were enrolled at any community college in the last two years:		
1005 1009	First Time Student Flag High School Grad Date	'N' – No Between 2002-09-01 and 2003-08-0
1009	High School Grad Date	Detween 2002-09-01 and 2003-06-0
Matched by ps	<u>snid with</u> :	
3004		gory 'DA', 'DV', 'EA', 'EV'
	Of the most recent end-of-ten and term 1 of SDB 2004	m during SDB 2002, SDB 2003,
For Award Seeking Stu	udents:	
2005	Program Level	'0', '1', '3', '4', '8','A', 'D'
2008	Credit Hrs Earned	Not 99998.9
Number Graduated	Of the Cohort select those wit	th Completion Degree (D.E.
	2103) = '1', '2', 'A', '3', '7' (A.A	, A.S., A.A.S., PSVC, ATD)
FTIC A.A Cohort	Of the Cohort select those	whose most recent Program Level (D.E.
	2005) = '0' – A.A.	
FTIC A A Cohort wit	t h less than 18 hours Of th	e FTIC A.A. Cohort, excluding the Number
		se most recent Total Institutional Hours for
	GPA (D.E. 1031) < 18	
<u>Report</u>	Number of FTIC A.A. students	s with loss than 18 hours
	(D.E. 1031) for the FTIC A.A.	t recent Total Institutional Hours for GPA Students with less than 18
	30 Credit Hour Equivalent – C	Cumulative Hours / 30
		hours th less 18 hours / (Number A.A. students Number A.A Students with less than 18
Validity:		land - English and the office of the state of the state of the

There are problems inherent in defining an A.A. student. For example, oftentimes students will declare themselves an A.A. degree-seeking student, but after taking one course determine this is not what they want to do and leave. This type of student should not be held against an institution. We request this measure be deleted.

Reliability:

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Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measures 78, 79, 80, 81:	Of the economically disadvantaged Associate in Arts (A.A)
Recommend Deletion	students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and
	percent who graduate with an A.A degree within four years

Action:

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

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Methodology:

Selection Criteria: Retention and Success Rate Report for Special Populations

This measure shows the status of first-time-in-college A.A. degree seeking students from the Fall 2007-08 term for four special populations: (1) Economically Disadvantaged, (2) Disabled, (3) English as a Second Language, and (4) Black Males. The A.A. students must have completed at least 18 college credits during the tracking period (Fall 2007-08 through Winter/Spring 2010-11).

The data are displayed by college and system wide, segmented by ethnicity and full-time/parttime status and special populations.

The reports are generated based on the following criteria:

Column 1 - Special Cohort Population

FTIC degree seeking students from Fall 2007-08 who took an entry level test and achieved at least 18 Total Hours (D.E. 1031) during the tracking period.

Economically Disadvantaged

Students who during the tracking period had Financial Aid Type (D.E. 3102) = 'GA', 'GB', 'GC', 'GD', 'LA', 'LB', 'EA'

or

Course JTPA flag (D.E. 3016) = 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'O' or
WAGES Flag (D.E. 3017) formerly the Project Independence Flag is = 'Y'
Disabled Students with Disabled Classification (D.E. 1002) not 'X', 'Z' during the tracking period.
English as a Second Language Students who during the tracking period took one or more of the following courses:
Course (D.E. 3008) like 'ENS%' Course (D.E. 3008) like 'ELS%' and ICS (D.E. 3001) = 13101
Black Male Students who had a Ethnic Origin (D.E. 3001) = 'B' and Gender (D.E. 3001) = 'M'
Column 2 - Number Graduated Of the Cohort, the number who graduated. Completion Degree (D.E. 2103) = '1' - (A.A.)
Column 3 - Number Enrolled in Good Academic Standing Of the Cohort, excluding the Number Graduated, the number of students still enrolled at the institution during the following terms with a GPA at or above 2.0. (A.A. = Fall or Winter/Spring 2010-11)
Column 4 - Number Enrolled Not in Good Academic Standing Of the Cohort, excluding the Number Graduated, the number of students still enrolled at the institution during the terms identified above, with a GPA below 2.0. (A.A. = Fall or Winter/Spring 2010-11)
Column 5 - Number Who Left in Good Academic Standing Of the Cohort, excluding the Number Graduated, the number of students who were not enrolled at the institution during the terms identified above, that had a GPA at or above 2.0. (A.A. = Fall or Winter/Spring 2010-11)
Column 6 - Retention Rate
(# Graduated + # Enrolled in Good Standing + # Enrolled Not in Good Standing) Divided by the Total Cohort Population
Column 7 - Success Rate (# Graduated + # Enrolled in Good Standing + # Left in Good Standing) Divided by the Total Cohort Population
For Segmenting Report by Ethnicity
Ethnic Origin (D.E. 1003): 'A' - Asian/Pacific Islander 'B' - Black/Non-Hispanic 'H' – Hispanic 'I' - American Indian/Alaskan Native 'W' – White 'X' – Other
For Segmenting Report by Full-time/Part-time Status Students who were enrolled full-time in the Fall 2007-08 and at least one other t term of the tracking period.
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Part-Time/Full-Time Indicator (D.E. 1029) = 'F Office of Policy and Budget – July, 2013

For Calculating GPA

GPA = Total Grade Points (D.E. 1030) divided by Total Hours (D.E. 1031)

Validity:

The cohorts needed to calculate these measures are too small to provide meaningful information. Measure #72 should be used instead.

Reliability:

The cohort needed to calculate this measure is too small to provide meaningful information. This measure should be eliminated. Measure #72 should be used instead.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 82:	Of the Associate in Arts (A.A) graduates who have not
Recommend Deletion	transferred to the State University System or an independent
	college or university, the number/percent who are found
	placed in an occupation identified as high wage/high skill on
	the Workforce Estimating Conference list

Action (check one):

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Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

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Information on the students employed in occupations identified as high wage/high skill is from Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program's (FETPIP) databases.

Methodology:

<u>Denominator</u>: Number of students enrolled in a Florida College who earned the A.A. degree in an academic year

<u>Numerator:</u> Of those, the number found by FETPIP to be employed in a high skill/high wage occupation and not enrolled in the SUS or an independent college or university; the threshold used for this calculation changes each year. For the December 2011 Annual Outcomes Report, the threshold was \$19.49 per hour.

Validity:

This measure is linked with the objective to monitor the number of A.A. graduates who have not transferred to a state university or an independent college or university who are found placed in an occupation identified as high skill/high wage. However, this is not a valid measure because the A.A. degree does not equip a person for occupation on the Targeted Occupations List. Those occupations all require a technical education at the certificate- or degree-level. The A.A. degree is intended to be a transfer degree to a four-year university.

Reliability:

The occupations on the Workforce Estimating Conference list as high wage/high skill may change from year to year. The occupational data are not tracked longitudinally.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 83:	Percent of prior year Florida high school graduates enrolled in
	Florida Colleges

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

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Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of students who graduated from a Florida high school in an academic year

Numerator:

Of those, the number found enrolled in a Florida College in the following year

Validity:

The objective seeks to increase the percentage of prior year high school graduates who enroll in the Florida Colleges. This measure is calculated on an annual basis and compared to previous years. Therefore, this is a valid measure of the increase of the percentage of prior year high school graduates who enroll in the Florida Colleges.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the Long Range Program Plan is extracted from the results of various SAS programs. These programs have been developed over the years as part of the Division of Florida Colleges Accountability Program or specifically for the Long Range Program Plan.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 84:	Number of Associate in Arts (A.A) degrees granted

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

Number of students enrolled in a Florida College who earned the A.A. degree in an academic year.

Validity:

The objective seeks to increase the number of A.A. degrees granted annually. This measure is calculated on an annual basis and compared to previous years. Therefore, this is a valid measure of the change in the number of A.A. degrees granted.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the Long Range Program Plan is extracted from the results of various SAS programs. These programs have been developed over the years as part of the Division of Florida Colleges Accountability Program or specifically for the Long Range Program Plan.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 85:	Number of students receiving college preparatory instruction
Recommend Deletion	

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

Number of students enrolled in a Florida College who are enrolled in a College Prep course.

Validity:

While this measure provides a valid indication of the number of students receiving College Prep instruction, (1) College Prep increases as enrollment increases; (2) College Prep increases as more non-traditional students who have been out of school for more than 2 years increases; and (3) as the economy decreases the number of students (and thus the number of students needing College Prep) increases. In addition, colleges cannot directly influence the academic preparation of students entering their system. That is beyond their control. This measure should be deleted.

Reliability:

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Department:	Division of Florida Colleges
Program:	Florida College Programs
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure 86:	Number of students enrolled in baccalaureate programs
	offered on community college campuses

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

All of the data elements used in calculating this measure are contained in the Community College and Technical Center MIS (CCTCMIS) databases and collected in the Concurrent-Use and Joint-Use Report. The community college files in this database are built from submission files provided by each of the 28 institutions in the Florida College System (FCS). Instructions for file submissions and elements definitions are contained in the Student Data Base Data Element Dictionary, which is posted to:

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Methodology:

Number of students enrolled in Florida College System baccalaureate programs and the number of students enrolled in concurrent-use baccalaureate programs.

Validity:

The objective seeks to promote the offering of upper-level courses on the Florida College System campus. Students currently have two avenues for taking upper-level courses on the community college campus: a concurrent-use program, which is housed on a Florida College System institution, or enrollment in a Florida College System baccalaureate program. This measure combines the enrollment for both programs to show if it is increasing.

Reliability:

Information on the number of students enrolled in concurrent-use baccalaureate programs is gathered on the Concurrent-Use Report submitted by Florida Colleges each spring. However, the Florida Colleges must gather this information from their university contacts for each concurrent-use program and this has not always been possible. Efforts are currently being taken to increase the number of programs reporting enrollment, but it is not currently 100%.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure:	Percentage of students earning a grade "C" or better in
Recommend Addition	traditional/campus-based, online/distance learning, or hybrid
	courses.

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

Students who earn "C" or better divided by students enrolled in a course (by course delivery type).

Validity:

This measure reports the performance of students in courses, by course delivery type.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the Long Range Program Plan is extracted from the results of various SAS programs.

Department: Program: Service/Budget Entity: Measure: Recommend Addition

Department of Education Florida Colleges

Percentage of developmental education completers who go on to complete a college-level course in the same subject within two academic years of entry

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
 Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

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Methodology:

As defined by the National Governors Association/Complete College America:

Numerator:

Number and percent of developmental education students (denominator) who complete all required courses in developmental math and/or English and the first college-level math and/or English course within two academic years.

Denominator:

All first-time degree or certificate students enrolled in developmental math and/or English courses during the first academic year.

Validity:

Cohorts are tracked starting in Fall 2002 (2002-03) through most recent year. Each cohort is tracked for six years. Because the first year is a base year, when selecting subsequent years, simply add the number of years wanted minus 1. So the second academic years = cohort year +1 and the sixth academic year = cohort year + 5.

For most tables, either the year of data matching the Cohort is pulled or a combination of up to five years from the date of the cohort. So data are pulled from 2002-03 to the current year for each table.

Reliability:

While this is the Florida College System's second year for providing data, the same methodology is used to produce data that is submitted to the National Governors Association/Complete College America.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	Florida Colleges
Service/Budget Entity:	Postsecondary Educational Services
Measure:	Retention rates for AA and AAS/AS students
Recommend Addition	

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

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Methodology:

Number of students who have graduated + number of students who are enrolled and in good academic standing + number of students who are enrolled and who are not in good academic standing divided by the number of students in the cohort pool.

Validity:

This measure reports the rate at which students persist in their education program and shows students who have either re-enrolled or successfully completed their program by the current fall. This measure is adaptation of the National Center for Education Statistics Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) definition of retention rate.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. The same program is used annually with only the years updated to reflect the most currently available information. The information reported in the Long Range Program Plan is extracted from the results of various SAS programs. These programs have been developed over the years as part of the Division of Florida Colleges Accountability Program or specifically for the Long Range Program Plan.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education PK 20 Executive Budget
Service/Budget Entity:	Executive Direction (ACT0010)
Measure 87:	Percent of program administration and support costs and
Recommend Deletion	positions compared to total agency costs and positions
	(Division of Public Schools)

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data source:

Department of Education, Office of Budget Management, compilation of positions and expenditures by activity code.

Methodology:

Costs:

Denominator = Costs for executive direction (ACT0010), Department of Education **Numerator** = Costs for executive direction (ACT0010), Division of Public Schools (data reported do not include costs for the teacher quality offices)

Positions:

Denominator = Total positions for Department of Education, executive direction **Numerator** = Total positions for Division of Public Schools, executive direction (data reported do not include positions for the teacher guality offices)

Validity:

This is not a valid measure of the department's objectives to compare administrative workload (costs or positions) of the agency as a whole to the administrative workload of the Division of Public Schools. Since 2002, the Department of Education has been organized to emphasize a "seamless K20 education accountability system (s. 1008.31, F.S.)."

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. Due to reorganization, however, the benchmarks and standards established by previous reports reflect different employees from the current report.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education PK 20 Executive Budget
Service/Budget Entity:	Teacher Certification (ACT0630)
Measure 88:	Percent of teacher certificates issued within 30 days after
Recommend Revision	receipt of complete application and the mandatory fingerprint
	clearance notification

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Bureau of Educator Certification (BEC) Database housed at the Northwest Regional Data Center (NWRDC), Tallahassee, Florida

The bureau reports the percentage of certificates that were issued within 30 days of receiving the mandatory fingerprint clearance notification and not 30 days from receiving the initial application. This measure most accurately reflects the workload and efficiency of the bureau in completing this phase of the certification process where it has control.

Denominator:

Number of certification applications that are designated as complete, and fingerprint clearance notification received

Numerator:

Of those, the number that are issued certificates within 30 days

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward the statutory goal of quality efficient services, the prompt processing of certification is a valid indicator of progress toward the objective of increasing the number of teachers to meet instructional demands.

Reliability:

The data are complete, reliable, and sufficiently error free.

The logical construct methodology of the Lag Time Statistics component within the BEC Database was designed to specifically calculate the time (in days) required for completion of certification files for which the mandatory fingerprint clearance has been received.

Construct: Upon receipt, a data entry record for the fingerprint clearance is made in the BEC Database and the fingerprint alert is cleared. At this time, a system date/timestamp is automatically captured within the database as the clock start date and the applicant file is scheduled for work as a hold release work type. When the applicant file has been processed to completion by Bureau staff, the system captures a second date/timestamp as the clock end date.

The lapse between the clock start date and the clock end date is then calculated to determine the number of days required for completion. Percentages are calculated based on the total files of this hold release work type completed within a specified date range. The only perceived threat factor to data reliability comes from human error in data entry of the fingerprint clearance record and alert clearance.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Teacher Quality
Service/Budget Entity:	Professional Training (ACT0610)
Measure 89:	Number of districts that have implemented a high quality
Recommend Deletion	professional development system, as determined by the
	Department of Education, based on its review of student
	performance data and the success of districts in defining and
	meeting the training needs of teachers

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Bureau of Educator Recruitment and Professional Development

Districts report to the bureau an annual assessment of data indicating the linkage between student achievement and instructional personnel. The bureau assures that professional development activities focus on analysis of student achievement data, ongoing formal and informal assessments of student achievement, identification and use of enhanced and differentiated instructional strategies that emphasize rigor, relevance, and reading in the content areas, enhancement of subject matter expertise, integrated use of classroom technology that enhances teaching and learning, classroom management, parent involvement and school safety, as required by Section 1012.98, F.S.

All 67 districts have implemented a Department of Education approved system of high quality professional development. District site reviews have been completed for all districts using a set of 65 standards adopted as Florida's Professional Development System Evaluation Protocol. Districts have submitted and implemented action plans for improvement for any standard rated less than acceptable to insure continuous improvement in their system of high quality professional development.

Validity:

The number of districts with high quality professional development systems is a valid indicator of progress toward Strategic Objective 1.1, Acquire Effective Teachers. Research proves that effective teachers are the most important variable in improved student rates of learning, and Florida's professional development system is based on research and the identification of the type of training that will be tailored to the needs of the school and the instructor.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Contracts, Grants, and
_	Procurement
Service/Budget Entity:	Grants Management (ACT0190)
Measure 90:	Percent of current fiscal year competitive grant initial
	disbursements made by August 15 of the current fiscal year,
Recommend Deletion	or as provided in the General Appropriations Act

Action – (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Grants Management System – an electronic tracking system maintained by the Department of Education.

Comptroller's payment records – an accounting system that records payments from the Department of Education to grant recipients.

Methodology:

Denominator:

Number of competitive state grants for which funds are appropriated in the annual General Appropriations Act, with each individual grant referenced in a Specific Appropriation counted as a separate grant.

Numerator:

Of that number, the number that had initial disbursements by the date specified in the General Appropriations Act, or, if not specified, by August 15 of the fiscal year.

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward meeting the Department of Education's statutory goal of quality efficient services, the efficiency of awarding and disbursing funds for competitive state grants has some degree of validity. However, the measure is of minor importance when compared to other types of grants awarded.

Of approximately 4,000 grants managed by the Department of Education, very few of the grants are in this category. At least 75 percent of grants are in the federal category, and 90 percent of state grants are noncompetitive. No competitive grants authorized in the General Appropriations Act for 2011-12. Further, if currently-approved procedures are followed, it is not possible to conduct a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) and award within 45 days.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Contracts, Grants, and
	Procurement
Service/Budget Entity:	Office of Grants Training and Development
Measure:	Participant feedback will rate training provided by the Grants
Recommend Addition	Training and Development Office as excellent or very good a
	minimum of 97% of the time

Action – (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Training evaluations completed by participants.

Methodology:

Denominator:

83 participants completed and returned training evaluations.

Numerator:

82 Training Evaluations provided an overall assessment of excellent or very good.

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward meeting the Department of Education's statutory goal of quality efficient services, the assessment of the quality of training, e.g. grants management, grants reviewer, proposal development, and targeted technical assistance has validity.

Reliability:

The measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Contracts, Grants, and
_	Procurement
Service/Budget Entity:	Office of Auditing and Monitoring Resolution
Measure:	Issue all audit resolution and management decision letters
Recommend Addition	within six months of receipt of the audit reporting package
	with 100% accuracy

Action – (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Federal and State Funds Subrecipient Listing – an electronic tracking system maintained by The Office of Audit Resolution and Monitoring at the Department of Education

Methodology:

Denominator:

67 subrecipients that expended \$500,000 of Federal or State funds during the previous fiscal period.

Numerator:

67 audit reporting packages with a resolution and a management decision letter issued on the audit report within six months of the receipt of the audit report, at 100% accuracy.

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward meeting the Department of Education's statutory goal of quality efficient services, the efficiency of resolving audit finding timely and monitoring the grant awards activity has validity.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Contracts, Grants, and
_	Procurement
Service/Budget Entity:	Office of Grants Management
Measure:	Issue all non-competitive project applications for state or
Recommend Addition	federal funds without error within an average of 45 calendar
	days from the date of receipt by the Department of Education

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

A total of 6,259 federal and state funded projects were awarded without error within an average of 49.5 calendar days from the date of receipt. This average includes the number of days within the program offices for review and approval. The average number of days within the Office of Grants Management, excluding program review and approval, is 12 days.

Data Sources:

Grants Management System – an electronic tracking system maintained by the Department of Education

Methodology:

Calculate the sum of the number of days for each non-competitive application received having the minimum components for approval. The sum consists of the date in which the office receives an application to the date in which the office notifies recipients of the project award. A separate calculation identifies the number of days a non-competitive application underwent programmatic review within the assigned program office.

Determine the average turnaround rate for the office by dividing the sum of days for processing awards for all non-competitive applications by the total number of non-competitive applications that were received having the minimum components for approval.

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward meeting the Department of Education's statutory goal of quality efficient services, the efficiency of awarding federally and state funded projects has validity. Awarding projects on a timely basis affects the delivery of services and products that will result in high student achievement. Although the office administers the awards for all applications (entitlement, discretionary, competitive, and non-competitive) in an efficient and error-free manner, the majority of applications are non-competitive.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Contracts, Grants, and
_	Procurement
Service/Budget Entity:	Office of Grants Management
Measure:	Post all formal procurements with 100% accuracy within 3
Recommend Addition	days of receipt of the final from the designated program office

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

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Reliability:

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Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Contracts, Grants, and
_	Procurement
Service/Budget Entity:	Office of Contracts and Leasing
Measure:	Process, with 100% accuracy all contract documents received
Recommend Addition	by Contract Administration within an average of 2 calendar
	days from the data of receipt from the designated program
	office

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

Contract Management System – an electronic tracking system maintained by the Department of Education

Methodology:

Denominator:

735 contracts issued within the Department of Education annually

Numerator:

735 contracts received annually in Contract Administration, with 100% accuracy and within 2 days from the date received by the Office.

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward meeting the Department of Education's statutory goal of quality efficient services, the efficiency of awarding timely contracts to procure commodities and services has validity.

Reliability:

This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free

Department:	Dep
Program:	Sta
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Measure 91:	Nur
Recommend Substitution	

Department of Education 48800 State Board of Education – Bureau of Educator Certification Teacher Certification (ACT0630) Number of certification applications processed

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- \boxtimes Requesting new measures (see next 2 pages).
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data Source:

Bureau of Educator Certification Database housed at the Department of Education, Turlington Building, Tallahassee, Florida

Methodology:

The system collects summary data on all certification files, applications, and transactions processed. Upon request, the system generates reports and user-defined inquiries to supply the data requested.

The count reported is of the number of certification transactions (files) processed. The data reported is for the measure of total work load of the Bureau of Educator Certification, the number of certification files processed.

Reliability:

The measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free.

The continuous processing completion of certification files of all types limits the perceived reliability for such data calculations. Because certification files are processed on a relatively continuous basis, the specific data is constantly in flux and is not static in nature. However, the construct of the data collection (as above) is believed to yield accurate results over repeated trials.

Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Educator Certification
Service/Budget Entity:	Teacher Certification (ACT0630)
Measure 91:	Percent of Educator Certification eligibility evaluation
Recommend Substitution	outcomes processed within 30 days or less after receipt of a complete application

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Bureau of Educator Certification (BEC) Database housed at the Northwest Regional Data Center (NWRDC), Tallahassee, Florida

The bureau reports the percentage of eligibility evaluation outcomes that were issued within 30 days of receiving a complete application. This measure most accurately reflects the workload and efficiency of the bureau in completing this phase of the certification process where it has control.

Denominator:

Number of certification eligibility evaluation outcomes issued for applications that are designated as complete.

Numerator:

Of those, the number that are issued within 30 days (2007-08 calculation: 90%).

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward the statutory goal of quality efficient services, the prompt processing of certification is a valid indicator of progress toward the objective of increasing the number of professionally qualified teachers to meet instructional demands.

Reliability:

The data are complete, reliable, and sufficiently error free.

The logical construct methodology of the Completed Files Timeliness component within the BEC Database was designed to specifically calculate the time (in days) required for completion of certification files.

Construct: Upon receipt, a system date/timestamp is automatically captured within the database as the clock start date and the applicant file is scheduled for work. When the applicant file has been processed to completion by Bureau staff, the system captures a second date/timestamp as the clock end date.

The lapse between the clock start date and the clock end date is then calculated to determine the number of days required for completion. Percentages are calculated based on the total files completed within a specified date range.

Department:	Department of Education 48800
Program:	State Board of Education – Bureau of Educator Certification
Service/Budget Entity:	Teacher Certification (ACT0630)
Measure 91:	Average number of days it takes to determine an applicant's
Recommend Substitution	eligibility for Educator Certification after receipt of a complete
	application

Action (check one):

Requesting revision to approved performance measure.

Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.

Requesting new measure.

Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Bureau of Educator Certification (BEC) Database housed at the Northwest Regional Data Center (NWRDC), Tallahassee, Florida

The bureau reports the number of days it takes to determine an applicant's eligibility after receiving a complete application. This measure most accurately reflects the workload and efficiency of the bureau in completing this phase of the certification process where it has control.

Numbers of days calculated from date application designated complete to date applicant file processing is completed by BEC staff; Annual average then calculated for all files completed (2007-08 calculation: 19 days).

Validity:

As an indicator of progress toward the statutory goal of quality efficient services, the prompt processing of certification is a valid indicator of progress toward the objective of increasing the number of professionally qualified teachers to meet instructional demands.

Reliability:

The data are complete, reliable, and sufficiently error free.

The logical construct methodology of the Completed Files Timeliness component within the BEC Database was designed to specifically calculate the time (in days) required for completion of certification files.

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Department:	Department of Education
Program:	State Board of Education – PK Executive Budget
Service/Budget Entity:	Executive Direction
Measure 92:	Percent of program administration and support costs and
Recommend Deletion	positions compared to total agency costs and positions

Action (check one):

- Requesting revision to approved performance measure.
- Change in data sources or measurement methodologies.
- Requesting new measure.
- Backup for performance measure.

Data Sources and Methodology:

Data source:

Department of Education Office of Budget Management, compilation of positions and expenditures by activity code.

Methodology:

Costs:

<u>Denominator</u>: Total costs for Department of Education

Numerator:

Costs for State Board of Education (unit code 4880) executive direction (activity code 0010)

Validity:

As a measure of the statutory goal of quality efficient services, a valid indicator could be the ratio of administrative to program costs and positions. However, research does not establish the most efficient and effective ratio. It would not be valid to conclude that less administration means greater efficiency; the point of diminishing returns has not been established. Also, it would be best to establish new benchmark data because of the department's extensive restructuring to provide K20 rather than sector-specific accountability.

Reliability: This measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials, and data are complete and sufficiently error-free. However, as a result of governance mandates, the actual employees used in the calculation differ from year to year. As a result of the emphasis on K20 administration, many employees who have some administrative responsibilities also have program responsibilities.

ASSOCIATED ACTIVITY CONTRIBUTING TO PERFORMANCE MEASURES

LRPP EXHIBIT V

	LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Contributing to Performance Measures				
	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation				
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title		
1	Number/percent of customers gainfully employed (rehabilitated) in at least 90 days		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
2	Number/percent of VR significantly disabled who are gainfully employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
3	Number/percent of all other VR disabled who are gainfully employed (rehabilitated) at least 90 days		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
4	Number/percent of VR customers placed in competitive employment		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
5	Number/percent of VR customers retained in employment after 1 year		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
6	Average annual earning of VR customers at placement		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
7	Average annual earning of VR customers after 1 year		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
8	Percent of case costs covered by third-party payers		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
9	Average cost of case life (to division) for significantly disabled VR customers		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
10	Average cost of case life (to division) for all other disabled VR customers		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
11	Number of customers reviewed for eligibility		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
12	Number of written service plans		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
13	Number of active cases		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
14	Customer caseload per counselor		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
15	Percent of eligibility determinations completed in compliance with federal law		Vocational Rehab – General Program (ACT1625)		
16	Number of program applicants provided reemployment services		Chapter 2012-135, Laws of Florida, eliminated duties of the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, in the Department of Education and transferred program responsibilities to the Department of Financial Services.		
17	Percent of eligible injured workers receiving reemployment services with closed cases during the fiscal year and returning to suitable gainful employment		Chapter 2012-135, Laws of Florida, eliminated duties of the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Reemployment Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, in the Department of Education and transferred program responsibilities to the Department of Financial Services.		

	LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Contr	'ib	uting to Performance Measures
	Division of Blind Services		
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title
18	Number/percent of rehabilitation customers gainfully employed at least 90 days		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
19	Number/percent rehabilitation customers placed in competitive employment		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
20	Projected average annual earnings of rehabilitation customers upon placement		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
21	Number/percent successfully rehabilitated older persons in non-vocational rehabilitation		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
22	Number/percent of customers (children) successfully rehabilitated/transitioned from pre- school to school		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
23	Number/percent of customers (children) successfully rehabilitated/transitioned from school to work		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
24	Number of customers reviewed for eligibility		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
25	Number of written plans for services		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
26	Number of customers served		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)
27	Average time lapse (days) between application and eligibility determination for rehabilitation customers		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)

	LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Contributing to Performance Measures				
	Division of Blind Services				
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title		
28	Customer caseload per counseling/case management team member		Determine eligibility, provide counseling, and facilitate provision of rehabilitative treatment and job training to blind customers (ACT0740)		
29	Cost per library customer served		Provide Braille and recorded publications services (ACT0770)		
30	Number of blind vending food service facilities supported		Provide food service vending training, work experience, and licensing (ACT0750)		
31	Number of existing food service facilities renovated		Provide food service vending training, work experience, and licensing (ACT0750)		
32	Number of new food service facilities constructed		Provide food service vending training, work experience, and licensing (ACT0750)		
33	Number of library customers served		Provide Braille and recorded publications services (ACT0770)		
34	Number of library items (Braille and recorded) loaned		Provide Braille and recorded publications services (ACT0770)		

	LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Contributing to Performance Measures					
	Private Colleges and Universities					
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title			
35	Graduation rate of FTIC (first time in college) award recipients, using a 6-year rate (Florida Resident Access Grant - FRAG)		Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962)			
36	Number of degrees granted for FRAG recipients and contract program recipients (Florida Resident Access Grant - FRAG)		Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962)			
37	Retention rate of award recipients (Delineate by: Academic Contract*; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically Black Colleges and Universities**)		 Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964) Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962) Historically Black Colleges and Universities** (Activities 1936, 1938, 1940, 1960) 			
38	Graduation rate of award recipients (Delineate by: Academic Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically Black Colleges and Universities)	-	 Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964) Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962) Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Activities 1936, 1938, 1940, 1960) 			
39	Of those graduates remaining in Florida, the percent employed at \$22,000 or more 1 year following graduation (Delineate by: Academic Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically Black Colleges and Universities)		 Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964) Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962) Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Activities 1936, 1938, 1940, 1960) 			
40	Of those graduates remaining in Florida, the percent employed at \$22,000 or more 5 years following graduation (Delineate by: Academic Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically Black Colleges and Universities)		 Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964) Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962) Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Activities 1936, 1938, 1940, 1960) 			
41	Licensure/certification rates of award recipients, (where applicable), (Delineate by Academic Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; and Historically Black Colleges and Universities	_	 Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964) 			

			 Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962) Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Activities 1936, 1938, 1940, 1960)
42	Number/percent of baccalaureate degree recipients who are employed in an occupation identified as high-wage/high-skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list (This measure would be for each Academic Contract and for the Florida Resident Access Grant)		 Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964) Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962)
43	Number of prior year's graduates (Delineate by: Academic Contract; Florida Resident Access Grant; Historically Black Colleges and Universities)		 Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964) Florida Resident Access Grants (ACT1962) Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Activities 1936, 1938, 1940, 1960)
44	Number of prior year's graduates remaining in Florida (Academic Contracts)	-	Academic Contract (Activities 1901, 1904, 1906, 1914, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1935, 1944, 1946, 1952, 1956, 1964)
45	Number of FTIC students, disaggregated by in-state and out-of-state (Historically Black Colleges and Universities)		Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Activities 1936, 1938, 1940, 1960)

INSTITUTION	PROGRAM
Barry University	 Nursing, Bachelor of Science (ACT1901)
	 Social Work, Master of Social Work (ACT1901)
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University	Aerospace Academy (ACT1926)
Florida Institute of Technology	• Enhanced Program (ACT1912)
Historically Black Colleges and Universities	Bethune-Cookman University (ACT1936)
	Edward Waters College (ACT1938)
	• Florida Memorial University (ACT1940)
	• Library Resources (ACT 1960)
Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM)/Bradenton Health Programs	Osteopathic Medicine (ACT1964)
	• Pharmacy (ACT1964)
Nova Southeastern University	 Speech Pathology, Master of Science (ACT1956)
	Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing
University of Miami	 Institute for Cuban and Cuban American Studies (ACT1916)

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	Student Financial Assistance Program		
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title
46	Percent of high school graduates who successfully completed the 19 core credits (Bright Futures)		 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program (ACT2014) Leadership and Management – State Programs (ACT2001)
47	Retention rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system, using a 4-year rate for Florida Colleges and a 6-year rate for universities (Bright Futures)		 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program (ACT2014) Leadership and Management – State Programs (ACT2001)
48	Graduation rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system (Bright Futures)		 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program (ACT2014) Leadership and Management – State Programs (ACT2001)
49	Percent of high school graduates attending Florida postsecondary institutions (Bright Futures)		 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program (ACT2014) Leadership and Management – State Programs (ACT2001)
50	Number of Bright Futures recipients	-	 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program (ACT2014) Leadership and Management – State Programs (ACT2001)
51	Retention rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system, using a 4-year rate for Florida Colleges and a 6-year rate for universities (Florida Student Assistance Grant)		 Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant (ACT2038) Private Student Assistance Grant (ACT2042) Public Student Assistance Grant (ACT2044) Leadership and Management – State Programs (ACT2001)
52	Graduation rate of FTIC award recipients, by delivery system (Florida Student Assistance Grant)		 Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant (ACT2038) Private Student Assistance Grant (ACT2042) Public Student Assistance Grant (ACT2044)
53	Percent of recipients who, upon completion of the program, work in fields in which there are shortages (Critical Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program)		This measure should be deleted because the program was repealed by the 2011 Florida Legislature.

	LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Cor	ntr	ibuting to Performance Measures
	Public Schools, State Grants / PreK-12 FEFP	_	
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title
54	Number/percent of teachers with National Teacher's Certification, reported by district		 State Grants to School Districts / Non-Florida Education Finance Program (ACT0695)
55	Number/percent of "A" schools, reported by district		 Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565) School Improvement (ACT0605) Florida Education Finance Program (ACT0660) Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635)
56	Number/percent of "D" or "F" schools, reported by district		 Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565) School Improvement (ACT0605) Florida Education Finance Program (ACT0660) Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635)
57	Number/percent of schools declining one or more letter grades, reported by district		 Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565) School Improvement (ACT0605) Florida Education Finance Program (ACT0660) Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635)
58	Number/percent of schools improving one or more letter grades, reported by district		 Curriculum and Instruction (ACT0565) School Improvement (ACT0605) Florida Education Finance Program (ACT0660) Assessment and Evaluation (ACT0635)

	LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Contributing to Performance				
	Career and Adult Education				
#	Approved Performance Measures	_	Associated Activities Title		
59	Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program identified as high-wage/high-skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$4,680 or more per quarter (Level III)		 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) 		
60	Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate occupational completion points, at least one of which is within a program identified for new entrants on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$3,900 or more per quarter, or are found continuing education in a college credit program (Level II)		 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) 		
61	Number/percent of persons earning vocational certificate completion points, at least one of which is within a program not included in Levels II or III and are found employed, enlisted in the military, or are continuing their education at the vocational certificate level (Level I)		 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) 		
62	Number/percent of workforce development programs which meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards for those programs that teach a subject matter for which there is a nationally recognized accrediting body		 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) 		
63	Number/percent of students attending workforce development programs that meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards		 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) 		
64	Number/percent of students completing workforce development programs that meet or exceed nationally recognized accrediting or certification standards		 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) 		
65	Number of adult basic education, including English as a Second Language, and adult secondary education completion point completers who are found employed or continuing their education		 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) 		

New	Credential attainment - career education certificate completers, placed in full-time employment, military enlistment, or continuing education at a higher level (data include students completing programs at Florida colleges and technical centers)	 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925)
New	Number/percent of college credit career certificate completers who are placed in full-time employment, military enlistment, or continuing education at a higher level	 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925)
New	Number/percent of adult basic education completers who are found employed full- time, in the U.S. Armed Forces, or continuing their education	 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015) Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925)
New	Number/percent of students in career certificate and credit hour technical programs who took a DOE approved industry certification or technical skill assessment exam	 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015)
New	Number/percent of students taking an approved industry certification or technical skill attainment exam who earned a certification or passed a technical assessment exam	 Funding and Support Activities (ACT3010) Instruction and Assessment (ACT3015)

LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Contributing to Performance						
Florida Colleges						
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title			
66	Number/percent of associate in science degree and college-credit certificate program completers who finished a program identified as high-wage/high- skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$4,680 or more per quarter (Level III)		 Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT30000) 			
67	Number/percent of associate in science degree and college-credit certificate program completers who finished a program identified for new entrants on the Workforce Estimating Conference list and are found employed at \$3,900 or more per quarter, or are found continuing education in a college-credit level program (Level II)		 Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT30000) 			
68	Number/percent of associate in science degree and college-credit certificate program completers who finished any program not included in Levels II or III and are found employed, enlisted in the military, or continuing their education at the vocational certificate level (Level I)		 Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT30000) 			
69	Percent of Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree graduates who transfer to a state university within 2 years		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT30000) 			
70	Percent of A.A. degree transfers to the State University System who earn a 2.5 GPA or above in the SUS after 1 year		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT30000) 			
71	Of the A.A. graduates who are employed full time rather than continuing their education, the percent which are in jobs earning at least \$9 an hour		 Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) 			

			 Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT30000)
72	Of the A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the percent of whom graduate in 4 years		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)
73	Percent of students graduating with total accumulated credit hours that are less than or equal to 120 percent of the degree requirement		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)
74	Percent of students exiting the college-preparatory program who enter college-level course work associated with the A.A., Associate in Science (A.S.), Postsecondary Vocational Certificate, and Postsecondary Adult Vocational programs		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)
75	Percent of A.A. degree transfers to the State University System who started in College Prep and who earn a 2.5 GPA in the SUS after 1 year		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)
76	Number/Percent of A.A. partial completers transferring to the State University System with at least 40 credit hours		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)
77	Number/Percent/FTEs of A.A. students who do not complete 18 credit hours within 4 years		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)
78	Of the economically disadvantaged A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within 4 years	_	 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)
79	Of the disabled A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within 4 years		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000)

80	Of the black male A.A. students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within 4 years		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) 				
81	Of the English as Second Language (college prep) or English for Non-Speaker (college credit) students who complete 18 credit hours, the number and percent who graduate with an A.A. degree within 4 years		 State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) 				
82	Of the A.A. graduates who have not transferred to the State University System or an independent college or university, the number/percent who are found placed in an occupation identified as high-wage/high-skill on the Workforce Estimating Conference list		 Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) 				
83	Percent of prior year Florida high school graduates enrolled in Florida colleges	-	 Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (ACT0925) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) 				
84	Number of A.A. degrees granted		 Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) State Grants to Districts and Florida Colleges (ACT 3050) Community College Program Fund (ACT0571) Academic and Student Services (ACT3000) 				
85	Number of students receiving college preparatory instruction						
86	Number of students enrolled in baccalaureate programs offered on Florida college campuses						

	LRPP Exhibit V: Identification of Associated Activity Contributing to Performance Measures				
	State Board of Education				
#	Approved Performance Measures		Associated Activities Title		
87	Percent of program administration and support costs and positions compared to total agency costs and positions - Division of Public Schools		Executive Direction (ACT0010)		
88	Percent of teacher certificates issued within 30 days after receipt of complete application and the mandatory fingerprint clearance notification		Teacher Certification (ACT0630)		
89	Number of districts that have implemented a high-quality professional development system, as determined by the Department of Education, based on its review of student performance data and the success of districts in defining and meeting the training needs of teachers		Recruitment and Retention (ACT0560) Professional Training (ACT0610)		
90	Percent of current fiscal year competitive grant initial disbursements made by August 15 of the current fiscal year, or as provided in the General Appropriations Act		Grants Management (ACT 0190)		
91	Number of certification applications processed		Teacher Certification (ACT0630)		
92	Percent of program administration and support costs and positions compared to total agency costs and positions		Executive Direction (ACT0010)		
New	(Recommend Addition) Percent of Educator Certification eligibility evaluation outcomes processed within 30 days or less (90 day Statutory requirement).		Teacher Certification (ACT0630)		
New	(Recommend Addition) Average number of days it takes to determine an applicant's eligibility for Educator Certification after receipt of a complete application.	_	Teacher Certification (ACT0630)		

AGENCY-LEVEL UNIT COST SUMMARY

LRPP EXHIBIT VI

DUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF			FISCAL YEAR 2012-13	
SECTION I: BUDGET		OPERATIN	IG	FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY
AL ALL FUNDS GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT			14,184,231,824	1,639,651,
ADJUSTMENTS TO GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT (Supplementals, Vetoes, Budget Amendments, etc.) AL BUDGET FOR AGENCY			270,268,175 14,454,499,999	326,641, 1,966,293,
	Number of	(1) Unit Cost	(2) Expenditures	(3) FCO
SECTION II: ACTIVITIES * MEASURES	Units	(1) Oline Goot	(Allocated)	
utive Direction, Administrative Support and Information Technology (2) Educational Facilities * Students served	2,691,322	1.03	2,779,841	1,837,873
Funding And Financial Reporting * Students served	2,691,322	0.48	1,302,418	
School Transportation Management * Students transported	1,010,324	0.50	500,262	
Curriculum And Instruction * Students served Community Collece Program Fund * Number of students served.	2,691,322 712,036	0.50	1,333,369 1,066,427,907	
Safe Schools * Students served	2,691,322	0.65	1,754,534	
School Choice And Charter Schools * Students served	2,691,322	1.07	2,889,871	
Education Practices Commission * Complaints reviewed	402	1,282.51	515,570	
Professional Practices Services * Investigations completed Teacher Certification * Subject area evaluations processed	3,134 128,901	671.79 37.73	2,105,401 4,863,669	
Issessment And Evaluation * Total tests administered	6,498,600	12.20	79,301,253	
Exceptional Student Education * Number of ESE students	497,927	8.40	4,182,458	
Postsecondary Education Coordination * Number of institutions	131	3,825.44	501,133	
Commission For Independent Education * Florida Education Finance Program * Number of students served	1,020	3,365.94 3,546.89	3,433,260 9,545,832,981	
State Grants To School Districts/ Non-florida Education Finance Program * Number of students served	2,691,322	82.71	222,606,438	
Determine Eligibility, Provide Counseling, Facilitate Provision Of Rehabilitative Treatment, And Job Training To Blind Customers * Customers served	11,187	3,993.54	44,675,772	
Provide Food Service Vending Training, Work Experience And Licensing * Facilities supported	143	24,182.39	3,458,082	
Provide Braille And Recorded Publications Services * Customers served Federal Funds For School Districts * Number of students served	34,283 2,691,322	63.67 581.15	2,182,909 1,564,071,413	
Parce-partnership For Assessment Of Readiness For College And Careers * Students served	2,691,322	7.97	21,461,887	
Race To The Top (rttt) * N/A	2,691,322	51.09	137,508,612	
Capitol Technical Center * Number of students served	2,691,322	0.43	1,149,474	
Statewide Longitudinal Data System (slds) *	2,691,322	1.42 255,456.58	3,815,235 6,641,871	
Public Broadcasting * Stations supported Projects, Contracts And Grants *	2,691,322	255,456.56	275,000	
Florida Alliance For Assistive Service And Technology * Number of clients served	169,409	6.28	1,063,113	
ndependent Living Services * Number of clients served	23,030	239.97	5,526,440	
/ocational Rehabilitation - General Program * Number of individualized written plans for services	17,128	12,314.84	210,928,652	
larry University/Bachelor Of Science - Nursing * Students served ble Grant * Grants disbursed	20 4,021	3,676.00 571.88	73,520 2,299,535	
Barry University/Podiatry * Not currently funded	65	3,076.92	200,000	
Sethune Cookman * Students served	3,400	1,017.68	3,460,111	
Edward Waters College * Students served	875	3,142.32	2,749,526	
Florida Memorial College * Students served Iova University/Master Of Science/Speech Pathology * Students served	1,534	1,976.56 1,188.30	3,032,048 39,214	
ibrary Resources * Students served	5,809	20.63	119,858	
lorida Resident Access Grants * Students served	42,895	1,753.72	75,226,013	
ecom/Florida - Health Programs *	665	1,530.90	1,018,050	
eadership And Management- State Financial Aid * N/A eadership And Management- Federal Financial Aid * N/A	2,691,322 2,691,322	1.06 7.96	2,843,972 21,412,575	
Children Of Deceased/Disabled Veterans * Number of students receiving support	806	3,414.64	2,752,201	
lorida Bright Futures Scholarship * Students served	162,980	1,920.86	313,062,120	
ilorida Education Fund * Students served	159	12,578.62	2,000,000	
iorida Work Experience Scholarship * Students served ose Marti Scholarship Challenge Grant * Students served	684	2,247.96 1,940.21	1,537,605 75,668	
Iary Mcleod Bethune Scholarship * Students served	138	2,326.09	321,000	
linority Teacher Scholarships * Students served	278	3,185.14	885,468	
Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant * Students served	10,686	1,029.25	10,998,557	
Prepaid Tuition Scholarships * Students served	1,116	6,272.40	7,000,000	
rivate Student Assistance Grant * Students served ublic Student Assistance Grant * Students served	14,360 92,590	1,105.49 1,092.24	15,874,860 101,130,855	
osewood Family Scholarship * Students served	20	2,915.70	58,314	
ohn R Justice Loan Repayment Program *	71	1,353.59	96,105	
irst Generation In College - Matching Grant Program *	9,211	576.34	5,308,663	
areer Education * ollege Access Challenge Grant Program *	3,822 5,600	558.35 1,145.77	2,134,007 6,416,312	
lursing Student Loan Forgiveness Program *	193	1,761.84	340,036	
unding And Support Activities * Students served	1,100,000	3.67	4,034,328	
Istruction And Assessment *	50 269,426	77,482.74	3,874,137 473,621,403	
tate Grants To Districts And Community Colleges * qual Opportunity And Diversity * N/A	2,691,322	1,757.89 0.11	473,621,403 286,030	
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SECTION III: RECONCILIATION TO BUDGET				
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(1) Some activity unit costs may be overstated due to the allocation of double budgeted items.
 (2) Expenditures associated with Executive Direction, Administrative Support and Information Technology have been allocated based on FTE. Other allocation methodologies could result in significantly different unit costs per activity.
 (3) Information for FCO depicts amounts for current year appropriations only. Additional information and systems are needed to develop meaningful FCO unit costs.
 (4) Final Budget for Agency and Total Budget for Agency may not equal due to rounding.

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<u>Academic Year</u>: The time period containing the academic sessions held during consecutive summer, fall, and spring semesters.

<u>Accreditation</u>: Certification by an official review board that specific requirements have been met, such as institutional accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

<u>Activity:</u> A set of transactions within a budget entity that translates inputs into outputs using resources in response to a business requirement. Sequences of activities in logical combinations form services. Unit cost information is determined using the outputs of activities.

Adequate Yearly Progress: Adequate Yearly Progress" or "AYP" means that the AYP criteria for demonstrating progress toward state proficiency goals were met by each subgroup.

Adult Basic Education (ABE): Education for adults whose inability to speak, read, or write the English language constitutes a substantial impairment of their ability to procure or retain employment commensurate with their ability. Courses at or below a fifth grade level in the language arts, including English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), mathematics, natural and social sciences, consumer education, and other courses that enable an adult to attain basic or functional literacy.

<u>Adult Literacy:</u> The level at which an adult must be able to read, write, compute, and otherwise use the skills of schooling in order to operate successfully in the workplace and society.

<u>American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:</u> An economic stimulus package enacted by the 111th United States Congress in February 2009. The Act was intended to create jobs and promote investment and consumer spending during the recession by making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and state and local fiscal stabilization. The act was signed into law by President Obama on February 17, 2009.

<u>Apprenticeship Training:</u> Structured vocational skill training in a given job through a combination of on-the-job training and classroom instruction.

Appropriation Category: The lowest level line item of funding in the General Appropriations Act which represents a major expenditure classification of the budget entity. Within budget entities, these categories may include: salaries and benefits, other personal services (OPS), expenses, operating capital outlay, data processing services, fixed capital outlay, etc. These categories are defined within this glossary under individual listings.

<u>Articulation:</u> The bringing together of the various parts (levels) of the educational system to facilitate the smooth transition of students through the system.

<u>At-Risk Student:</u> Any identifiable student who is at risk of not meeting the goals of an educational program, completing a high school education, or becoming a productive worker.

Baseline Data: Indicators of a state agency's current performance level, pursuant to guidelines established by the Executive Office of the Governor in consultation with legislative appropriations and appropriate substantive committees.

<u>Basic Skills:</u> Skills in reading, writing, math, speaking, listening, and problem solving that are necessary for individuals to succeed in vocational and applied training programs.

<u>Board of Trustees:</u> The corporate body of persons appointed by the governor as the operating board for a Florida college or university.

<u>Budget Entity</u>: A unit or function at the lowest level to which funds are specifically appropriated in the appropriations act. "Budget entity" and "service" have the same meaning.

<u>College Preparatory Instruction</u>: Courses through which vocational and academic education are integrated and which directly relate to both academic and occupational competencies. The term includes competency-based education and adult training or retraining that meets these requirements.

<u>Competency-Based Education</u>: An educational approach based on a predetermined set of knowledge, skills, and abilities that the student is expected to accomplish.

<u>Contracts and Grants</u>: Budget entities which deal primarily with sponsored research activities and federally funded educational grants.

Demand: The number of output units which are eligible to benefit from a service or activity.

Designated State Unit: In the case of the State of Florida, the division that is primarily concerned with vocational rehabilitation or vocational and other rehabilitation of individuals with disabilities and that is responsible for the administration of the vocational rehabilitation program of the State Agency (CFR 361.13 (b)).

Differentiated Accountability State System of School Improvement: The accountability system used by Florida to meet conditions for participation in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 20 U.S.C.ss 6301 et seq. that requires states to hold public schools and school districts accountable for making adequate yearly progress toward meeting state proficiency goals.

<u>Dual Enrollment:</u> Enrollment in two institutions at the same time, such as a college and a high school, whereby a student can earn both high school and college credit simultaneously.

Early Admission: Enrollment full-time in a college before graduating from high school.

<u>Educational and General</u>: Budget entities which provide instructional programs leading to formal degrees, research for solving problems, and for public service programs.

Equipercentile: A statistical process for determining comparable scores on different forms of an exam. As related to the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT), scores on FCAT 2.0 and FCAT were determined to have the same percentile rank through equipercentile linking.

Estimated Expenditures: Includes the amount estimated to be expended during the current fiscal year. These amounts will be computer generated based on the current year appropriations and adjusted for vetoes and special appropriations bills.

<u>First-Time-in-College (FTIC)</u>: A student enrolled for the first time in a postsecondary institution.

Fixed Capital Outlay: Real property (land, buildings including appurtenances, fixtures and fixed equipment, structures, etc.), including additions, replacements, major repairs, and renovations to real property which materially extend its useful life or materially improve or change its functional use. Includes furniture and equipment necessary to furnish and operate a new or improved facility.

Florida Education Finance Program: Enacted by the Florida Legislature in 1973, the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) is the primary mechanism for funding the operating costs of Florida school districts. The FEFP established the state policy on equalized funding to guarantee to each student in the Florida public education system the availability of programs and services appropriate to his or her educational needs that are substantially equal to those available to any similar student notwithstanding geographic differences and varying local economic factors. FEFP funds are primarily generated by multiplying the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students in each of the funded education programs by cost factors to obtain weighted FTE students.

Full-Time-Equivalent (FTE) Faculty: A budgetary term that represents one full-time faculty position. (Note that two people each serving in half-time faculty positions would together equal one FTE faculty.)

Full-Time-Equivalent (FTE) Student: A student enrolled for 900 hours of instruction.

<u>Full-Time Student:</u> A graduate student enrolled for 9 or more semester credit hours in a term, or an undergraduate student enrolled for 12 or more semester credit hours in a term.

<u>General Education</u>: Basic liberal education in communications, mathematics, natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities.

<u>Graduation Rate:</u> The graduation rate measures the percentage of students who graduate within four years of their first enrollment in ninth grade. Florida calculates a cohort graduation rate, which includes a group of students on the same schedule to graduate.

<u>Grants and Aids</u>: Contributions to units of governments or nonprofit organizations to be used for one or more specified purposes, activities, or facilities. Funds appropriated under this category may be advanced.

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act: A federal law ensuring services to children with disabilities throughout the nation. IDEA governs how states and public agencies provide early intervention, special education, and related services to eligible infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities.

Indicator: A single quantitative or qualitative statement that reports information about the nature of a condition, entity, or activity. This term is used commonly as a synonym for the word "measure."

Information Technology Resources: Includes data processing-related hardware, software, services, telecommunications, supplies, personnel, facility resources, maintenance, and training.

Input: See Performance Measure.

Instruction and Research: A program component which contains the objective of transmitting knowledge, skills, and competencies that allow eligible individuals to become practicing professionals or pursue further academic endeavors to enhance knowledge and technology.

LAS/PBS: Legislative Appropriation System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem. The statewide appropriations and budgeting system owned and maintained by the Executive Office of the Governor.

Legislative Budget Commission: A standing joint committee of the Legislature. The Commission was created to: review and approve/disapprove agency requests to amend original approved budgets; review agency spending plans; issue instructions and reports concerning zero-based budgeting; and take other actions related to the fiscal matters of the state, as authorized in statute.

Legislative Budget Request: A request to the Legislature, filed pursuant to s. 216.023, F.S., or supplemental detailed requests filed with the Legislature, for the amounts of money an agency or branch of government believes will be needed to perform the functions that it is authorized, or which it is requesting authorization by law, to perform.

Level of Student: The student's level of progress toward a degree. Freshmen and Sophomore students are categorized in the Lower Level; Junior and Senior students are categorized in the Upper Level; Graduate students are categorized in the Graduate Level.

Limited Access Program: A Florida college vocational program or university upper-division program in which enrollment is limited due to space, equipment, faculty limitations, or other limitations.

Long Range Program Plan: A plan developed on an annual basis by each state agency that is policy-based, priority-driven, accountable, and developed through careful examination and justification of all programs and their associated costs. Each plan is developed by examining the needs of agency customers and clients and proposing programs and associated costs to address those needs based on state priorities as established by law, agency mission, and legislative

authorization. The plan provides the framework for preparing the Legislative Budget Request and includes performance indicators for evaluating the impact of programs and agency performance.

Lower-Division Student: A student who has earned less than 60 semester credit hours.

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP): The National Assessment of Educational Progress, also known as "the Nation's Report Card," is the only nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Since 1969, assessments have been conducted periodically in mathematics, reading, science, writing, U.S. history, geography, civics, the arts, and other subjects.

<u>Narrative</u>: Justification for each service and activity is required at the program component detail level. Explanation, in many instances, will be required to provide a full understanding of how the dollar requirements were computed.

<u>Nonrecurring</u>: Expenditure or revenue which is not expected to be needed or available after the current fiscal year.

<u>Outcome:</u> See Performance Measure.

Output: See Performance Measure.

<u>Outsourcing</u>: Describes situations where the state retains responsibility for the service but contracts outside of state government for its delivery. Outsourcing includes everything from contracting for minor administration tasks to contracting for major portions of activities or services which support the agency mission.

<u>Part-Time Student:</u> A graduate student enrolled for less than 9 semester credit hours in a term or an undergraduate student enrolled for less than 12 semester credit hours in a term.

<u>Performance Measure:</u> A quantitative or qualitative indicator used to assess state agency performance.

- Input means the quantities of resources used to produce goods or services and the demand for those goods and services.
- Outcome means an indicator of the actual impact or public benefit of a service.
- Output means the actual service or product delivered by a state agency.

Perkins Act: The federal vocational education funding act.

<u>Postsecondary Education Readiness Test:</u> The nation's first fully customized placement test, designed to determine whether students are ready for college-level work.

Policy Area: A grouping of related activities to meet the needs of customers or clients which reflects major statewide priorities. Policy areas summarize data at a statewide level by using the first two digits of the ten-digit LAS/PBS program component code. Data collection will sum across state agencies when using this statewide code.

<u>**Privatization:**</u> Occurs when the state relinquishes its responsibility or maintains some partnership type of role in the delivery of an activity or service.

<u>Program</u>: A set of activities undertaken in accordance with a plan of action organized to realize identifiable goals based on legislative authorization (a program can consist of single or multiple services). The LAS/PBS code is used for purposes of both program identification and service identification. "Service" is a "budget entity" for purposes of the LRPP.

Program Purpose Statement: A brief description of approved program responsibility and policy goals. The purpose statement relates directly to the agency mission and reflects essential services of the program needed to accomplish the agency's mission.

<u>Program Component:</u> An aggregation of generally related objectives which, because of their special character, related workload and interrelated output, can logically be considered an entity for purposes of organization, management, accounting, reporting, and budgeting.

Race to the Top: A competitive grant program funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The program is designed to encourage and reward states that are creating the conditions for education innovation and reform; achieving significant improvement in student outcomes, including making substantial gains in student achievement, closing achievement gaps, improving high school graduation rates, and ensuring student preparation for success in college and careers; and implementing ambitious plans in four core education reform areas.

<u>Reliability:</u> The extent to which the measuring procedure yields the same results on repeated trials and data are complete and sufficiently error free for the intended use.

<u>School Grade:</u> The grade assigned to a school pursuant to Section 1008.34, Florida Statutes, and Rule 6A-1.09881, F.A.C., except that a high school's grade will be established solely by the FCAT scores and AYP for purposes of Differentiated Accountability.

<u>Standard</u>: The level of performance of an outcome or output.

<u>Student Financial Aid:</u> Appropriations by the legislature for student financial aid are used to support need- and merit-based student grants, scholarships, and loans to provide access and attract high-achieving and talented students.

<u>Transfer Student:</u> A student who attended one or more colleges as a regular student in addition to the one in which currently enrolled, as opposed to a native student.

<u>Tuition Fee:</u> The instructional fee paid by non-resident students per credit or credit equivalent in addition to the matriculation fee.

Unclassified Student: A student not admitted to a degree program.

<u>Unit Cost:</u> The average total cost of producing a single unit of output – goods and services for a specific agency activity.

Upper Division: Baccalaureate junior and senior levels.

<u>Upper-Division Student:</u> A student who has earned 60 or more semester credit hours or has an Associate in Arts degree or is working toward an additional baccalaureate degree.

<u>Unweighted Full-Time Equivalent Student Membership (UFTE)</u>: Membership in the regular school term. The regular term for Department of Juvenile Justice schools is 240 to 250 days; the regular term for all other schools is 180 days.

<u>Validity:</u> The appropriateness of the measuring instrument in relation to the purpose for which it is being used.

Voluntary Prekindergarten: Voluntary prekindergarten is a program that began in Florida in 2005. The program provides funding for four-year-olds to attend prekindergarten in order to better prepare them for kindergarten.

<u>Weighted Full-Time Equivalent Student Membership (WFTE):</u> Unweighted FTE times program cost factors.

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- **A&P** Administrative and Professional
- A.A. Associate in Arts degree
- A.A.S. Associate in Applied Science degree
- ABCTE American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence
- ABE Adult Basic Education
- ACCEL Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning
- ACE Arts for a Complete Education
- ACS American Community Survey
- ACT American College Testing Assessment
- ADA Americans with Disabilities Act
- **AP** Advanced Placement
- ARRA American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
- AS Associate in Science degree
- ATC Advanced Technical Certificate
- ATD Advanced Technical Diploma
- AYP Adequate Yearly Progress
- **BA** Bachelor of Arts
- **BSA** Base Student Allocation
- **CBO** Community-Based Organization
- CCLA College Center for Library Automation
- **CCPF** Community College Program Fund
- **CCSSE** Community College Survey of Student Engagement
- **CIE** Commission for Independent Education
- **CIL** Center for Independent Living
- **CIP** Capital Improvements Program Plan
- **CIS** Communities in Schools
- CLAST College-Level Academic Skills Test
- **CPT** College Placement Test
- **CROP** College Reach-Out Program
- **DCAE** Division of Career and Adult Education
- **DOE** Department of Education (Florida)
- DVR Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
- **EH** Emotionally Handicapped
- EOG Executive Office of the Governor
- **EPC** Education Practices Commission
- **EPI** Educator Preparation Institute

- **ESC** Education Standards Commission
- **ESE** Exceptional Student Education
- **ESEA** Elementary and Secondary Education Act
- **ESOL** English for Speakers of Other Languages
- FAC Florida Administrative Code
- FAIR Florida Assessments for Instruction in Reading
- FASTER Florida Automated System/Transfer Education Records
- FCAT Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test
- FCO Fixed Capital Outlay
- FCS Florida College System
- **FDLN** Florida Distance Learning Network
- **FDLRS** Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resource System
- FDOE Florida Department of Education
- FEFP Florida Education Finance Program
- FETPIP Florida Education Training and Placement Information Program
- FFY Federal Fiscal Year
- **FISH** Florida Inventory of School Houses
- FLAIR Florida Accounting Information Resource Subsystem
- **FLVC** Florida Virtual Campus
- FLVS Florida Virtual School
- FRAG Florida Resident Access Grant
- FRC Florida Rehabilitation Council
- F.S. Florida Statutes
- **FTCE** Florida Teacher Certification Examination
- FTE Full-Time Equivalent
- **FTIC** First-Time-in-College
- FY Fiscal Year
- GAA General Appropriations Act
- **GED** General Education Development test
- GPA Grade Point Average
- GR General Revenue Fund
- ICUF Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida
- IDEA Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
- IPE Individualized Plan for Employment
- LAS/PBS Legislative Appropriations System/Planning and Budgeting Subsystem
- LBC Legislative Budget Commission
- LBR Legislative Budget Request

- **LD** Learning Disabled
- LEA Local Education Agency
- **LEaRN** Literacy Essentials and Reading Network
- LEP Limited English Proficiency
- LOF Laws of Florida
- LRPP Long Range Program Plan
- **MIS** Management Information Systems
- **NAEP** National Assessment of Educational Progress
- NBPTS National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
- **NGSSS** Next Generation Sunshine State Standards
- **OCO** Operating Capital Outlay
- **OJT** On-the-Job Training
- OPB Office of Policy and Budget, Executive Office of the Governor
- **OPPAGA** Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability
- **OPS** Other Personnel Services
- **OSFA** Office of Student Financial Assistance
- PECO Public Education Capital Outlay
- **PERT** Postsecondary Education Readiness Test
- PWD Person with a Disability
- **RES** Reemployment Services
- **RIMS** Rehabilitation Information Management System
- **RSA** Rehabilitation Services Administration
- RTTT Race to the Top
- **SAT** Scholastic Assessment Test
- SAC Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, School Advisory Council
- **SBCC** State Board of Florida Colleges
- **SBE** State Board of Education
- **SCNS** Statewide Course Numbering System
- SOLAR Student On-Line Advisement and Articulation System
- **SPD** Staff and Program Development
- SSFAD State Student Financial Aid Database
- STEM Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
- TANF Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
- TCS Trends and Conditions Statement
- TF Trust Fund
- VR Vocational Rehabilitation