MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents

FROM: Jacob Oliva

DATE: November 20, 2020

SUBJECT: Updates to Required Instruction Reporting for 2020-2021

Per State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.094124, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), school districts must annually submit a report documenting instruction for students in grades K-12 related to their implementation of the required instruction in section (s.) 1003.42(2), Florida Statutes (F.S.), by July 1. For Mental and Emotional Health Education, Substance Use and Abuse Health Education and Child Trafficking Prevention Education, school districts must also annually submit a plan by December 1 for how instruction will be delivered.

This rule was amended by the State Board of Education on November 18, 2020, and revised the procedures for school districts to submit required implementation plans and document delivery of instruction related to s. 1003.42(2), F.S. Additionally, this amendment also consolidated the three health education rules (6A-1.094121, 6A-1.094122, 6A-1.094123) into the overall required instruction rule, and these three rule numbers were repealed.

The new procedure includes a requirement to use the online Florida Required Instruction Reporting Portal available at https://flrequiredinstruction.org. By December 1, 2020, district plans for the three aforementioned health topics must be submitted using the portal. Use of the portal does not affect the content districts are required to submit, only the method. Plans are still required to be posted on district webpages, but the requirement to submit to the department via email has been removed and replaced by the portal.

The online portal is a benefit to school districts, stakeholders and the Florida Department of Education. The online required instruction submission system provides stakeholders with access to related plans and documentation on one website. It also allows for the department to streamline the guidance and support it provides to districts and the public.

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