## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### Consent Item

June 22, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-1.09433, Voluntary Prekindergarten Pre- and Post-Assessments

### **PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

### **AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1002.67(3), Florida Statutes

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The rule sets forth the assessments provided by private and public voluntary prekindergarten (VPK) providers to children attending VPK and the training requirements to give the assessments.

In summary, the changes to the rule are as follows:

- The requirement to use the Teaching Strategies Gold assessment is deleted
- Documentation of training to give the remaining assessment must be maintained
- VPK summer providers will be authorized to give the assessment

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-1.09433, F.A.C.

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#### 6A-1.09433 Voluntary Prekindergarten Pre- and Post-Assessments.

- (1) Pre- and Post-Assessments.
- (a) Every private or public Voluntary Prekindergarten Education (VPK) Program provider must implement <u>a</u> the pre- and post-assessments approved by the State Board of Education.
- (b) The pre- and post-assessments approved by the State Board of Education is include both a progress monitoring tool, known as the Florida VPK Assessment, and an observational instrument, known as Teaching Strategies Gold.
  - (c) Information explaining how to obtain access to the these assessments is set forth in Rule 6M-8.620, F.A.C.
- (2) Qualified assessors. The pre- and post-assessments shall be administered by individuals, consistent with the assessment publisher's instructions, who are employed by a private VPK provider or school district and meet the following requirements:
- (a) Assessors must complete and maintain documentation of completion of participate in professional development training that is designed to ensure the proper administration of the approved pre- and post-assessments and that is:
  - 1. Available through the Office of Early Learning (OEL) by OEL personnel or OEL trained individuals;
  - 2. Online Web based training, if available; or
  - 3. Training by means of a DVD, if available; and
- (b) Assessors must meet the minimum qualifications to be a VPK instructor during the school year program, as set forth in Sections 1002.55, 1002.61, or 1002.63, 1002.73(2)(d), F.S., regardless of the program (summer or school year).

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(2)(n), 1002.67(3), 1002.73(2)(d) FS. Law Implemented 1002.67(3), 1002.73(2)(d) FS. History–New 4-1-15, Amended