

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Consent Item**  
January 17, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-4.00821, Florida Educational Leadership Examination

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Sections 1001.02(1), 1001.02(2)(n), 1012.55(1), and 1012.56, F.S.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Department's Office of Assessment, Bureau of Postsecondary Assessment develops and administers the Florida Teacher Certification Examinations (FTCE) and the Florida Educational Leadership Examination (FELE). The FELE currently includes subtests in Leadership for Student Learning, Organizational Development, and Systems Leadership. Accepted professional practice for assessment programs, such as FELE, requires the periodic review of all program aspects impacted by Florida Statutes and State Board Rule, including the review and revision of the competencies and skills assessed. The Department normally reviews these tests in 5-year cycles. Rule 6A-4.00821, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), incorporates "Competencies and Skills Required for Certification in Educational Leadership in Florida," by edition, with new effective dates because it is revised and distributed regularly to reflect the current competencies and skills assessed by the examination.

This rule is being amended to adopt and incorporate the "Competencies and Skills Required for Certification in Educational Leadership in Florida, Fifth Edition," effective March 1, 2024. This document outlines the competencies and skills, or content, of the educational leadership certification examination. The adoption of the 5th edition will update the content of the FELE to align with the revised Florida Educational Leadership Standards, adopted and incorporated in Rule 6A-5.080, F.A.C.

Statewide committees of university/college professors, school administrators, and school district leadership coordinators have reviewed and updated the FELE competencies and skills that are being changed in the "Competencies and Skills Required for Certification in Educational Leadership in Florida, Fifth Edition." The revised competencies and skills will serve as the basis for test development and scoring of the FELE once approved. A prospective educational leader who seeks employment in Florida's K-12 public schools must learn these new competencies and skills and successfully pass the FELE.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Proposed Rule 6A-4.00821, F.A.C. Competencies and Skills Required for Certification in Education Leadership in Florida, Fifth Edition 2024 (under separate cover)

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