

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Action Item
July 14, 2021

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-1.0017, School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

For Approval

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1006.07(9), Florida Statutes

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SESIR is a reporting system that districts must use to report disruptive or criminal incidents to the Department so that the data can be used to meet federal and state reporting requirements. This data is used by districts to design and evaluate interventions to provide a safe learning environment.

The U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights has requested the collection of additional data via the Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC), including allegations of sexual misconduct by staff members, as well as the disposition of those allegations. (<https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/2020-21-crdc-data-elements.pdf>)

The proposed changes to the SEISR rule incorporate the new federal requirements for reporting allegations of sexual assault and sexual battery by school personnel and any preliminary action taken in response to those allegations prior to final discipline or termination. In addition, the proposed changes to incident definitions are based on feedback from our districts and provide greater clarity in reporting expectations. Other new requirements contained in the CRDC can be captured through existing data elements or will be addressed in forthcoming changes to the Student Information System, which incorporates the computer coding requirements for school districts and the annual survey process.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Rule 6A-1.0017, F.A.C.

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