

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Action Item**  
August 18, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Approval of New Rule 6A-20.045, Open Door Grant Program

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Sections 1001.02(1), (2)(n), and 1009.895(9), F.S.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

House Bill 1507 created the Open Door Grant Program, which is intended to increase the interest of current and future workers in short-term, high-demand career and technical education (CTE) credentialing and certificate programs.

The proposed new rule specifies the procedures for implementation of the Open Door Grant Program at school district postsecondary technical career centers under section 1001.44, F.S., Florida College System institutions under section 1000.21(3), F.S., and charter technical career centers under section 1002.34, F.S., and provides information regarding key definitions, allocation of funds, award procedures, and institutional responsibilities.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** New Rule 6A-20.045, F.A.C., 34 CFR Part 463, Subpart D and NCES Locale Classifications and Criteria (under separate cover)

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