

Statewide Email

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TO: District Career and Technical Education Directors
District Technical College Directors

Via: Chancellor2@fldoe.org

SUBJECT: Save the Date: Career Center Webinar

Directors,

The Florida Department of Education and Office of the Board of Governors invite you to participate in a webinar on **September 30, 2021, from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM EDT**, to learn more about the implementation of [House Bill \(HB\) 847](#). You may register for the session at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8153588322346007820>.

In 2021, the Florida Legislature passed HB 847 to revise statutory provisions related to Florida's statewide Internet-based catalog, online student advising services, and library services. Currently, the services within the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network are limited to postsecondary institutions that belong to the Florida College System and State University System.

HB 847 charges the Commissioner of Education and the Chancellor of the Board of Governors to provide a recommendation for a process by which career centers would access appropriate postsecondary distance learning, student support services and library assets. It establishes June 1, 2022, as the deadline for the recommendation, and requires the recommendation to include an analysis of the resources necessary to expand access and assets to centers and their students.

As a first step in this process, we will host a webinar for career center directors to:

- Review the provisions of HB 847.
- Share more information about the [current services](#) under the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network.
- Review the survey instrument where career centers will be asked to provide information about their current resources.

A recording of the webinar along with the forthcoming survey instrument will be disseminated for those unable to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Carrie Henderson at carrie.henderson@fldoe.org or Kathleen Taylor at kathleen.taylor@fldoe.org.

Thank you,

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