



# Council of Business Affairs Division Report

Division of Florida Colleges

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# The Florida College System - Summary Budget Side-by-Side

## May 26, 2026 – Before Governor’s Action

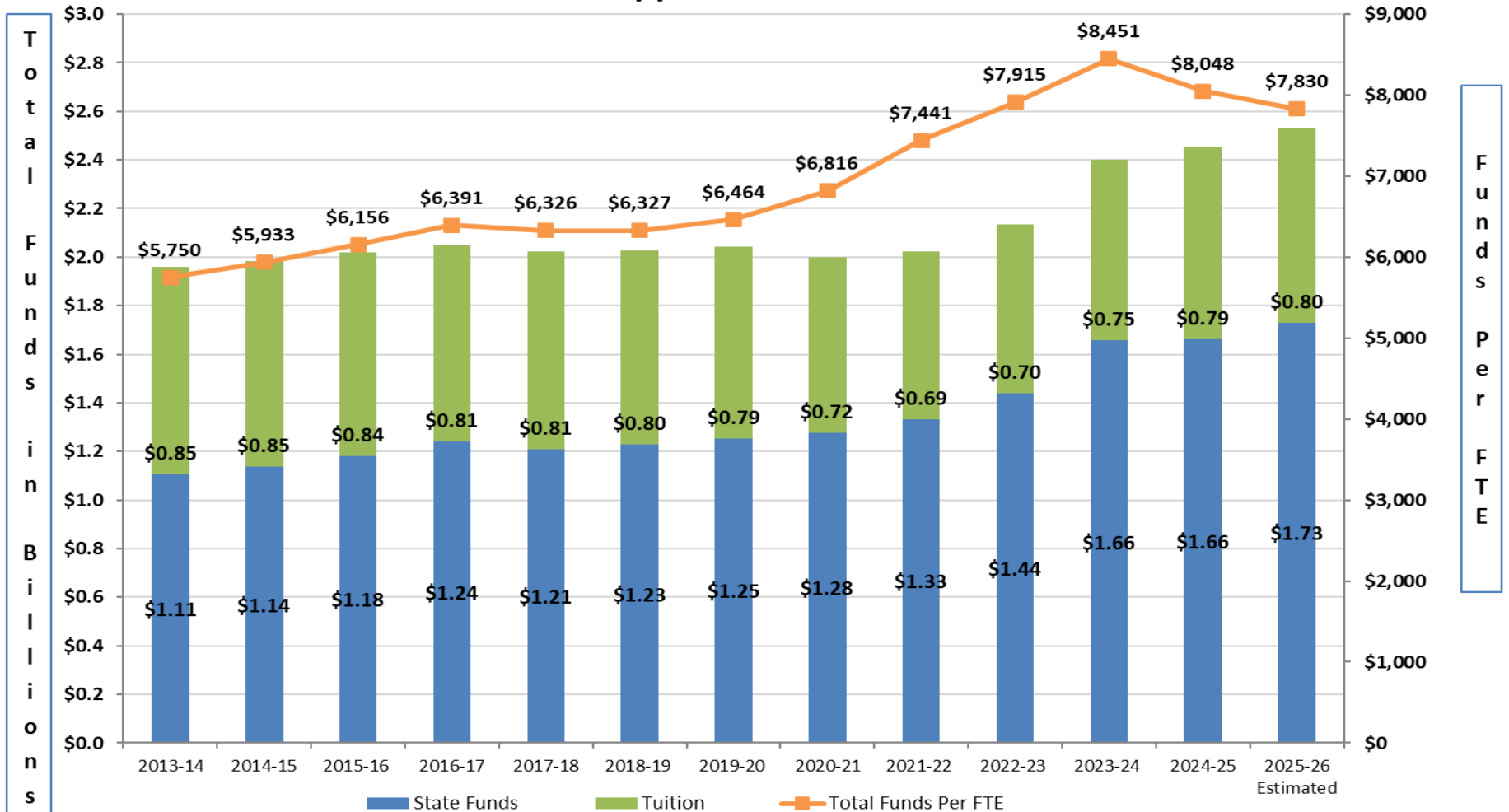
	2025-26	2026-2027
<b>Funding Category</b>	<b>Current Year Budget</b>	<b>House Bill 5001E Conference Report May 26, 2026</b>
Program Fund	1,678,420,508	1,729,513,676
Non-Program Fund Appropriations	105,674,746	114,445,359
Performance-Based Incentives	20,000,000	20,000,000
Commission on Community Service	1,483,749	1,483,749
<b>Total State Funds</b>	<b>1,805,579,003</b>	<b>1,865,442,784</b>
\$ Increase Over Prior Year		59,863,781
% Increase Over Prior Year		3.3%
Tuition Increase	0%	0%

# Florida College System Funding (HB 5001E)

Florida College System - Total funds of \$1.86 billion (+3.32%)

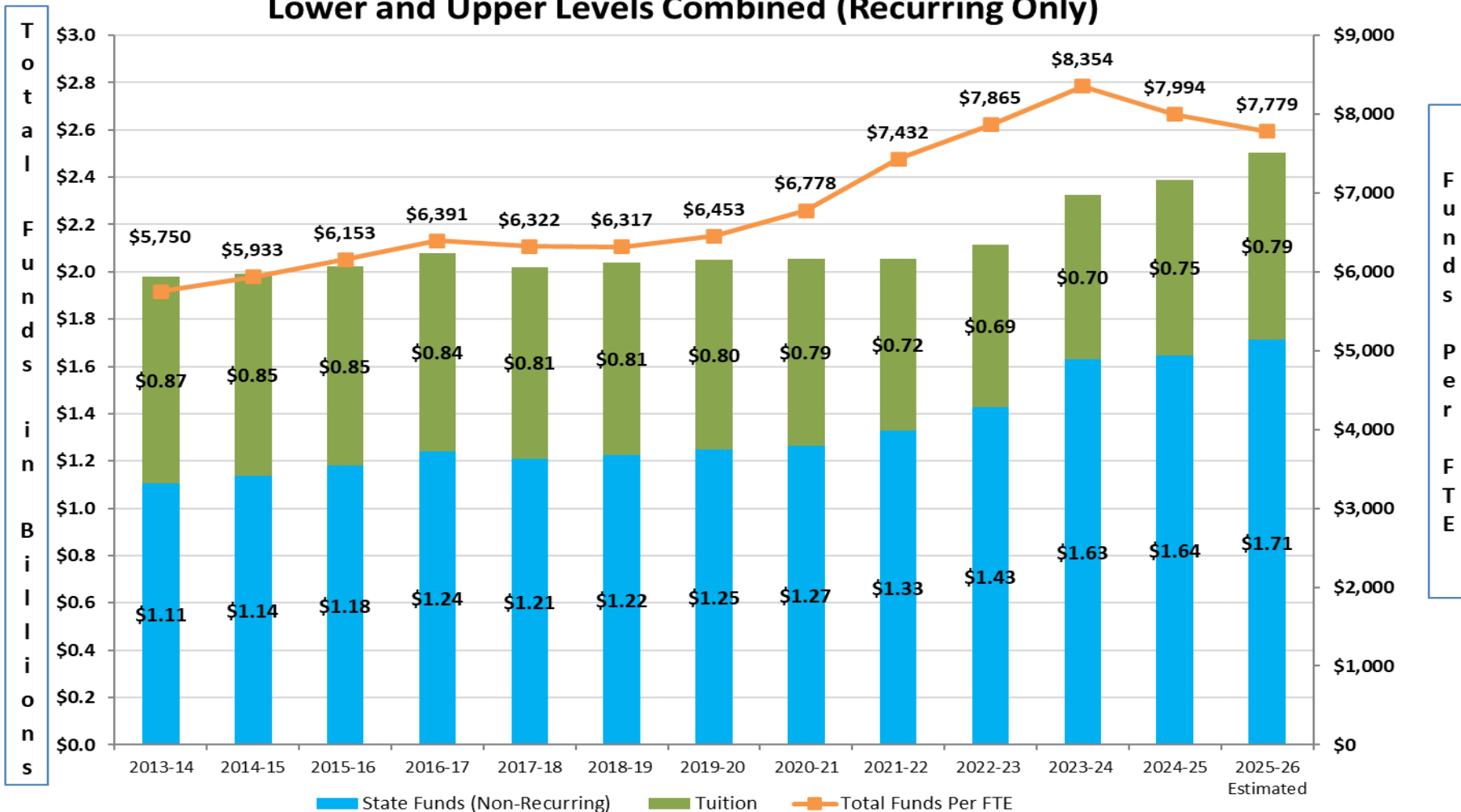
- FCS Program Fund
  - \$38.7 million for Projects and Operational Support
  - \$30 million for additional Program Funding
- \$30 million for Student Success Incentive Funds
  - \$13 million for Work Florida Incentive Funds
  - \$17 million for 2+2 Student Incentive Funds
- \$10.9 million for Postsecondary Academic Library Network
- \$20 million for Performance-Based Incentive funds for Industry Certifications
- \$64 million for the PIPELINE and LINE
- \$3.6 million for Facility Repairs, Maintenance & Construction
- \$1.7 million for Non-Program Fund Projects
- \$4.2 million for Post Secondary Guardian Program

## The Florida College System Program Fund Appropriations and Per FTE Student Lower and Upper Levels Combined



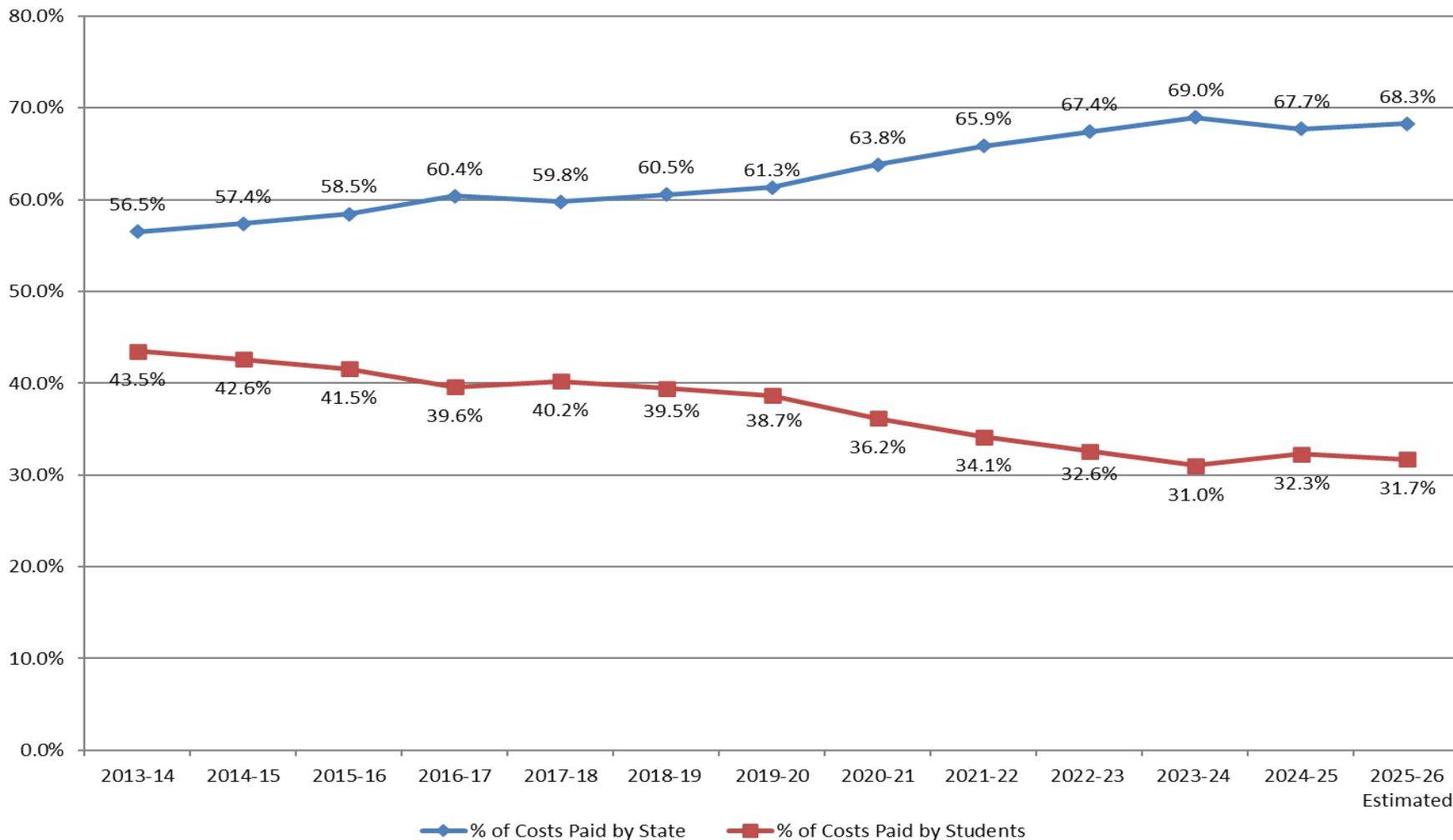
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## The Florida College System Program Fund Appropriations and Per FTE Student Lower and Upper Levels Combined (Recurring Only)



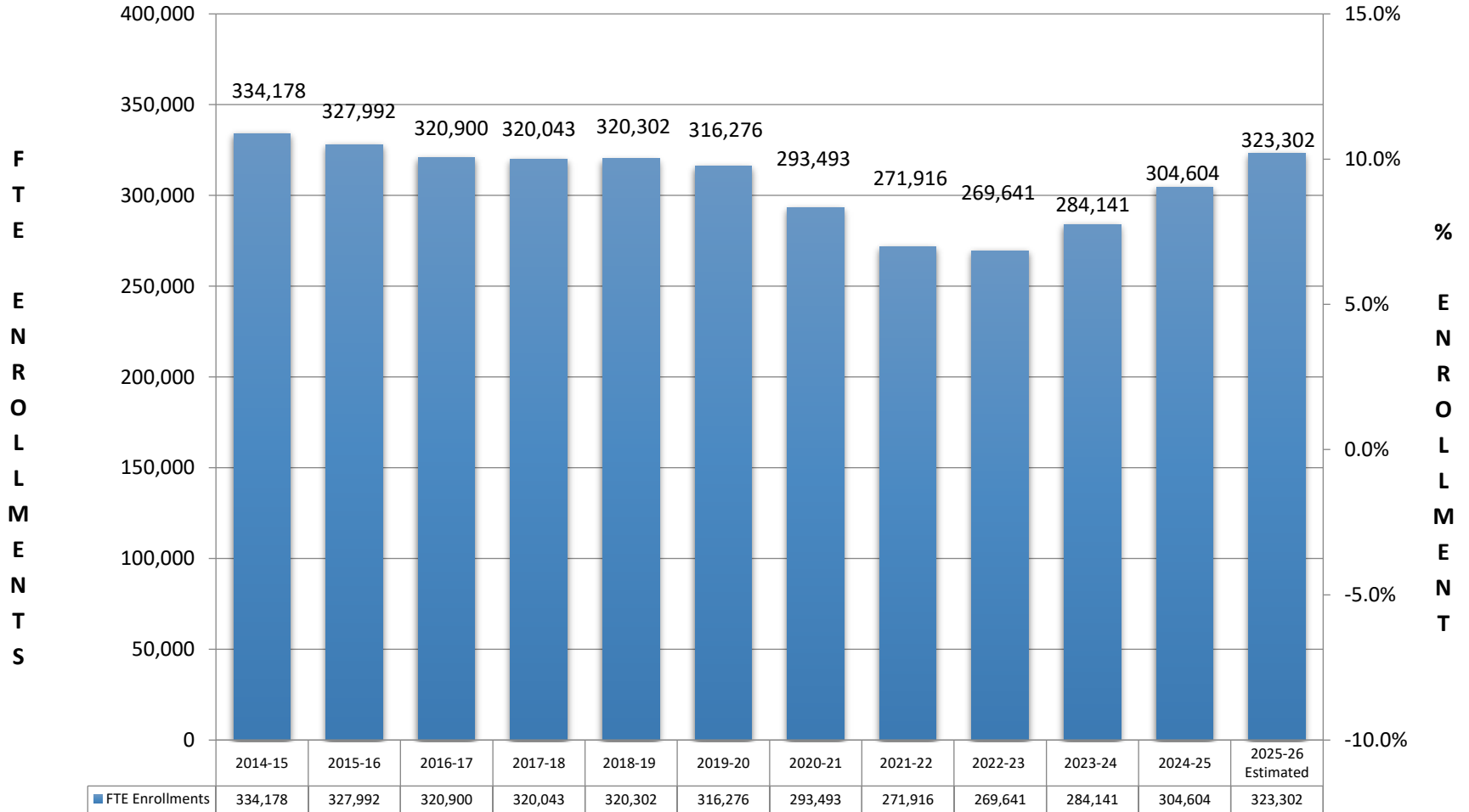
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## The Florida College System State/Student Share of Operating Budgets



Note: All years reflect actual FTE students and appropriations, except 2023-24 and 2024-25, which reflects estimates based on 2023-24 FTE-1A. Total program funds include GR (Recurring and Non-Recurring), EETF, and Tuition. Tuition includes out-of-state fees and technology fees.

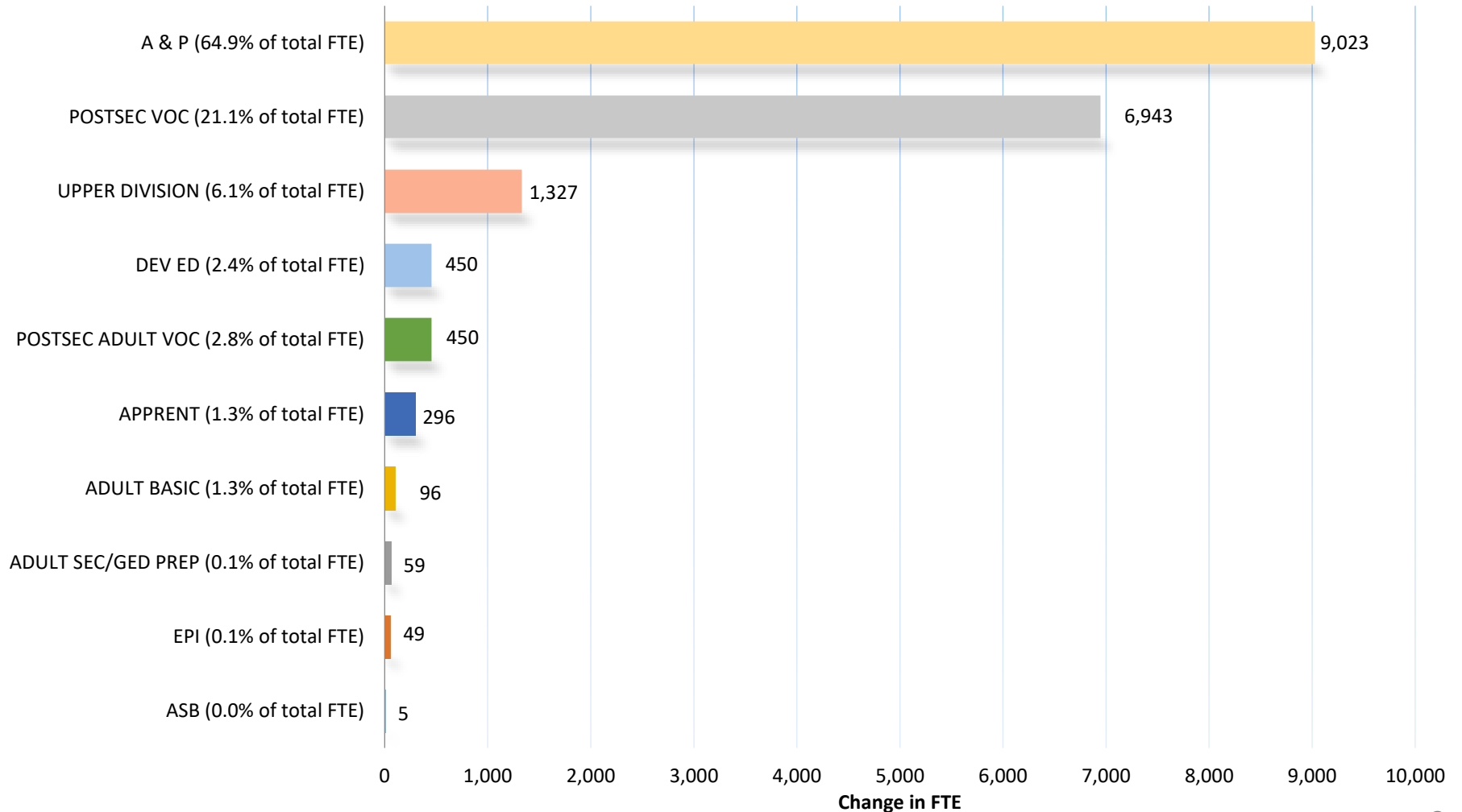
## FTE Enrollment History - Lower and Upper Levels Combined



**Note:** This graph uses each year's independent legislative definition of funded FTE.

## Florida College System

### 2025-26 FTE-2A Over 2024-25 FTE-3, Change in FTE by Program Area



## Summary of 2025-26 Performance Based Incentive Certification May 2026

<b>COLLEGE</b>	<b>Fundable Industry Certifications</b>
Eastern Florida State College	1011
Broward College	1,509
College of Central Florida	584
Chipola College	360
Daytona State College	835
Florida SouthWestern State College	522
Florida State College at Jacksonville	1364
College of the Florida Keys	131
Gulf Coast State College	420
Hillsborough College	1,413
Indian River State College	672
Florida Gateway College	469
Lake-Sumter State College	146
State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota	207
Miami Dade College	2,195
North Florida College	156
Northwest Florida State College	412
Palm Beach State College	987
Pasco-Hernando State College	509
Pensacola State College	654
Polk State College	416
St. Johns River State College	363
St. Petersburg College	785
Santa Fe College	682
Seminole State College of Florida	681
South Florida State College	250
Tallahassee State College	842
Valencia College	1078
<b>SYSTEM TOTAL</b>	<b>19,653</b>

# Audits

## 6 Operational Audits received as of May 30, 2026

- **27 total findings**
- **Adults General Education**
  - 3 colleges
  - College procedures need strengthening to ensure that instructional contact hours for adult general education classes are accurately reported to the Florida Department of Education.
- **Textbook Affordability**
  - 2 colleges
  - College textbook affordability procedures continue to need improvement.
- **Bank Account Reconciliation and Related Journal Entries**
  - 2 colleges
  - Controls over bank account reconciliation and related journal entries continue to be deficient. Did not enforce an appropriate separation of journal entry duties. Need improvement.

## Audits (continued)

- **Vendor Information Changes**
  - 3 colleges
  - College controls over changes to vendor information need improvement.
- **Information Technology User Access Privileges**
  - 3 colleges
  - The college has some unnecessary information technology user access privileges that continue to exist, increasing the risk for unauthorized disclosure of sensitive student information to occur.

### Financial Audit

- 4 colleges have been noted with financial audit findings.
- College procedures need improvement to ensure that transactions are properly recorded and reported for State Public Education and Capital Outlay and Deferred Maintenance appropriations, and State and local grants and contracts.

# Annual Financial Reports

Report	Due Date
College Operating Budget Report	Tuesday, June 30, 2026
Foreign Gifts & Donations Report	Friday, July 31, 2026
Certified Minority Business Expenditures Report (CMBE) (Section 287.09451(4)(o)1., Florida Statutes, (F.S.))	Monday, August 3, 2026
Annual Financial Report (AFR)	Monday, August 17, 2026
Component Unit Forms in Workiva	Friday, September 25, 2026
Notes to the Financial Statements & Management Discussion & Analysis (MD&A)	Tuesday, September 8, 2026
Certification of Financials	Friday, September 25, 2026

Available on the FCS Finance website:

<http://www.fldoe.org/schools/higher-ed/fl-college-system/data-reports/finance/>



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# Fixed Capital Outlay (FCO)

## **FCS Fixed Capital Outlay 2026-27 Before Governor's Action**

- 34 projects for 24 colleges totaling \$212,751,686, including PECO/GR projects in specific appropriations 16A and 133B.
- All back-of-bill requests were approved and can be found in sections 21 and 22.

## FCS FCO Budget Timeline for 2027-28

- Colleges submit Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to Division of Florida Colleges (DFC) by **Wednesday, July 1, 2026. (MUST BE BOARD APPROVED)**
- Florida Department of Education (FDOE) develops priority list, to be included in the agency's Legislative Budget Request (LBR).
- FDOE's LBR is submitted to Governor's office, House and Senate by October 15 each year.
- Back-of-bill items will be updated in November/December.
- 2027 Session is scheduled to start Tuesday, March 2 and end Friday, April 30.



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# 2026 Legislative Session

## House Bill (HB) 757 – School Safety

Chris Hixon, Coach  
Aaron Feis, and  
Coach Scott Beigel  
Guardian Program

- 2018 – Establishment
- 2023 – Expansion to Private schools
- **2026 – Expansion to public postsecondary institutions through HB 757**

Requiring  
institutions to  
follow the ARMOR  
Act which  
includes:

- Active Assailant Response Plan
- Threat Management Team
- Mental Health Support Protocols
- Annual Security Risk Assessment

Except as otherwise noted, this act took effect May 15th.

## House Bill (HB) 1471 – Systems of Law and Terrorist Organizations

Prohibits Florida's state universities and colleges from promoting or funding a terrorist organization.

Requires institutions to report when a student on a visa is identified as engaging in conduct that promotes terrorism to the United States (U.S.) Department of Homeland Security.

Effective date: July 1, 2026

## HB 1279 – Education

Expands access to College Algebra courses statewide next year, with a U.S. History course to follow.

Clarifies *only* Florida public postsecondary institutions and eligible not-for-profit independent colleges and universities are eligible to participate in the dual enrollment program.

Reduces the approval process review period for Associate in Arts transfer degree programs from 60 days to 30 days.

Allows recognition of nationally accredited associations in addition to the American Bar Association.

Awards schools and educators delivering Florida Advanced Courses and assessments equal benefits and bonuses as other advanced coursework.

Effective date: July 1, 2026

# Senate Bill (SB) 1246 – Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE)



Provides that eligible contributions from health care partners or other entities may receive a dollar-for-dollar match.



Expands allowable uses of LINE funds to support more initiatives.



Clarifies that LINE funds may be used to expand, retrofit or upgrade existing facilities, under certain conditions

Effective date: July 1, 2026

## SB 1296 – Public Relations Commission



Ensures unions must demonstrate genuine support from the educators they claim to represent before receiving exclusive authority to negotiate salaries, benefits and leave policies.



Establishes a fast-track process for teacher pay increase funds appropriated by the legislature so the funds will reach teachers more quickly.

Governor DeSantis has invested nearly \$6 billion to increase teacher pay, and this landmark legislation helps ensure those resources reach teachers in a timely manner.

Effective date: July 1, 2026

## SB 474 – Military Affairs

- Revises provisions concerning leaves of absence for military service for state and local government employees to:
  - Expand eligibility to include members of the Coast Guard;
  - Clarify that the 90 consecutive days of service required to qualify for a paid leave of absence must be on a single order; and
  - Authorize employers to provide additional paid leave for reserve and National Guard training provided certain conditions are met.
- Effective July 1, 2026.

## HB 905 – Foreign Influence

- Expands the definition of “foreign source of concern” to also include a designated foreign terrorist organization or an agent acting on its behalf.
- Expands the prohibition from participating in an agreement with or accepting a grant from a foreign country of concern to include such agreements with a subdivision of a foreign country of concern.
- Effective July 1, 2026.

## HB 1217 – Prohibited Governmental Policies Regulating Greenhouse Gas Emissions

- The bill prohibits governmental entities (including state colleges) from:
  - Enacting or enforcing a resolution, ordinance, rule, code or policy to support a net zero policy;
  - Using public funds to support, implement or advance a net zero policy by providing certain procurement or purchasing preferences or by paying dues, membership fees, subscriptions or contributions to private organizations that adopt, require support for or advocate for a net zero policy; and
  - Implementing, administering or enforcing any program or joining any organization that has a policy of establishing limits on greenhouse gas emissions or requiring or incentivizing participation in an emissions trading program.
- Effective July 1, 2026.



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# Rule Update

## **State Board of Education (SBOE) Amended/Approved January 21, 2026**

- Amended Rule 6A-6.0576, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), CAPE Industry Certification Funding List, to adopt the 2025-26 lists associated with this rule, including the Master Credentials List, the CAPE Industry Certification Funding List and the Secondary Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program to Certification Linkages List; and to revise language and associated terminology to provide clarification.
- Approved the General Education Course Review and Reform as required by s. 1007.55, F.S.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved February 20, 2026**

- Amended Rule 6A-6.0200, F.A.C., Graduation Alternative to Traditional Education (GATE) Program, to revise language related to partnerships; clarify requirements for and update the FGATE-01 GATE Program Summary Form.
- Amended Rule 6A-10.0381, F.A.C., Registration of Adult Students and Enrollment Reporting for Adult General Education Students. Clarifying changes related to rounding of instructional minutes to instructional hours, re-enrollment in the same course after a 30-day period of non-attendance and reporting enrollment rules for programs and courses being deleted from the academic inventory.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved February 20, 2026, cont.**

- Amended Rule 6A-10.0401, F.A.C., Gold Standard Career Pathways Articulation Agreements. Incorporating the Gold Standard Career Pathways Articulation Agreements of Industry Certifications to Associate in Science (AS) and Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Degrees document for the 2025-2026 academic year.
- Amended Rule 6A-14.065, F.A.C., Meta-Major Academic Pathways. Incorporating new language related to the math gateway courses associated with the meta-major academic pathways and identifying the gateway mathematics courses that are aligned with the meta-major academic pathways per Rule 6A-10.024, F.A.C. This amendment will facilitate seamless transfer of credits, reduce excess credit hours and ensure students take the courses needed for their future careers.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved February 20, 2026, cont.**

- Amended Rule 6A-23.010, F.A.C., Preapprenticeship Programs. Updated the requirements for registered preapprenticeship programs to improve the articulation of preapprentices into Registered Apprenticeship. Four documents were incorporated by reference:
  - Partnering Sponsorship Memo of Understanding (MOU),
  - Training Standards Template,
  - Preapprentice Agreement Form, and the
  - Participating Employer Agreement Form.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved April 17, 2026**

- Amended Rule 6A-10.024, F.A.C., Articulation Between and Among Universities, Florida Colleges, and School Districts, to incorporate the addition of the Florida Advanced Course Test (FACT) to the list of approved exams.
- Approved the 2026-27 Dual Enrollment Course-High School Subject Area Equivalency List. Added two new courses this year.
- Approved to reject specific Florida College System Institution General Education Course Lists for 23 colleges due to the inclusion of one or more lower division courses in Sociology.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved April 17, 2026, cont.**

- Amended Rule 6A-1.09441, F.A.C., Requirements for Programs and Courses that are Funded Through the Florida Education Finance Program and for which the Student May Earn Credit Toward High School Graduation. The amendment updated the Course Code Directory based on course changes made for the 2026-27 school year.
- Amended Rule 6A-6.0576, F.A.C., CAPE Industry Certification Funding List, to adopt an updated version.
- Amended Rule 6A-14.095, F.A.C., Site Determined Baccalaureate Access, to provide a process for colleges to request changes to existing baccalaureate programs.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved May 14, 2026**

- Amended Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C., Career and Technical Education and Adult General Education Standards and Industry-Driven Benchmarks, to adopt the career education programs prescribed in statute:
  - Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
  - Architecture & Construction
  - Arts, A/V Technology & Communication
  - Business, Management & Administration
  - Education & Training
  - Energy
  - Finance
  - Government & Public Administration
  - Health Science

## **SBOE Amended/Approved May 14, 2026, cont.**

- Amended Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C., cont.:
  - Hospitality & Tourism
  - Human Services
  - Information Technology
  - Law, Public Safety & Security
  - Manufacturing
  - Marketing, Sales & Service
  - Engineering and Technology Education
  - Transportation, Distribution & Logistics
  - Additional CTE Programs/Courses
- The rule also adopted the 2026-27 Adult General Education Standards and Curriculum Frameworks required by statute.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved May 14, 2026, cont.**

- Amended Rule 6A-10.030, F.A.C., Other Assessment Procedures for College-Level Communication and Computation Skills, to clarify coursework requirements necessary for students to demonstrate college-level writing and math skills prior to receiving an AA degree or entry into the upper division.
- Amended Rule 6A-10.0342, F.A.C., Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program Quality Audit, to clarify the phase-out process, add details to the teach out and reinstatement processes for phased out CTE programs, update the website URLs and reduce overall redundancy.

## **SBOE Amended/Approved May 14, 2026, cont.**

- Amended Rule 6A-23.006, F.A.C., Deregistration of Department Registered Program, to provide clarity on the reasons and processes for deregistration of an apprenticeship or preapprenticeship program, occupation or occupational grouping.

## Designation of Restrooms and Changing Facilities

All college facilities were in compliance as of April 1, 2024. If you've acquired or constructed any new facilities since April 2024, please be sure to complete the Certification of Compliance with the Safety in Private Spaces Act. (See rule 6A-14.00612, F.A.C., for the [certification](#) form.)

### Collegiate Purple Star Campuses

Twenty-one (21) colleges have been approved as a Collegiate Purple Star Campus. (See rule 6A-1.09991, F.A.C., for the [application](#) form.)



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# Research and Analytics

# Upcoming Research & Analytics Reporting and Events

Research & Analytics Calendar of Events	Action	Date
Florida Blue Scholarships	FCS foundation data collection	May
FETPIP Wage & Employment Data	Data sent to colleges	July
College and Textbook Affordability Report	Survey distributed to colleges	July
Baccalaureate Enrollment and Graduation Projections	Projections submitted to F&O office	August
Comprehensive Retention Report	Masked version of final report sent to colleges	August

# Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System Migration Task-Force

- The FCS Office of Research and Analytics is coordinating preliminary conversations about forming an ERP Migration Task-Force.
- Members will be drawn from DOE/DFC and Board of Governors, individual colleges and the Northwest Regional Data Center (NWRDC).
- Goals
  - Create handbook ("operations manual") for college administrators to use in planning and carrying out their ERP migrations
  - Technical support from NWRDC
  - Enterprise-level negotiation for ERP service rates
- Updates will be communicated to colleges in the coming months.



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