

On this day in 1898, W.K. Kellogg invents corn flakes cereal.

The Briefing – Monday – August 8 – 2022

The last Briefing was Saturday, August 6, 2022

How's your weather - <https://weather.com/>

The Quick

Schools Back around the State – Opening Day for Kids August 10

[Florida Public School Calendars - All Districts Start Dates and More](#)

Updated for 2022-23 School Year - list of start and end dates with major holidays, breaks

Rubio vs Demings for U.S. Senate – Polls Show Race is tied!

Numbers from [Progress Florida](#) and [Florida Watch](#) show Sen. Marco Rubio and Democratic challenger Val Demings [tied](#), each with 45% support from those polled.

FDOT Pauses Northern Turnpike Expansion

The Florida Department of Transportation announced last week that it was going to pause the Northern Turnpike Extension Project. The pause is directly related to the opposition of citizens from the Citrus, Levy, Marion and Sumter county, and the adoption of 'No Build' resolutions by the Levy Board of County Commission, Citrus Board of County Commission, Dunnellon City Council, Inverness City Council, Inglis Town Commission, Yankeetown Council, and Bronson Town Council.

15 Days Until the Florida Primary

Early voting for the Aug. 23 primary is starting today in more than 20 counties, including Duval, Miami-Dade, Orange, and Palm Beach. While a handful of counties will start early voting later this week, most counties will start this Saturday. Many of the State and Local Races will be settled on August 23.

[Information on your county elections](#)

U.S. Senate passes climate, tax and health care bill – House to consider bill this week!

U.S. Senate passed the health care, climate and tax bill Sunday afternoon. The bill passed 51-50. The legislation includes a new minimum tax on large corporations, provisions to lower prescription drug prices and more than \$300 billion to address climate change and promote clean energy. It now heads to the House, which plans to take it up Friday.

Headlines from around the State

WUSF: Republicans have long feuded with the mainstream media. Now many are shutting them out

WUSF: Documentary highlights lack of accessibility for deaf and disabled people in Florida justice system

Times: Tampa Bay schools ready to reopen, but will they have enough teachers?

Post: 'There's some anxiety': LGBTQ students, teachers brace for school year

Herald Tribune: Sarasota-Manatee teachers prepare for upcoming school year amid labor shortage, political noise

Sun-Sentinel: Does support from conservative groups help or hurt in Democratic Broward?

FlaPol: State Attorney Brian Haas jabs Andrew Warren in Kelli Stargel endorsement

Herald Tribune: Gruters, Johnson face off for District 22 State Senate primary race

Times: YouTube playlist leads to charges of racism in Tampa Bay-based House race

Times: Democratic Tampa Bay House hopeful Wengay Newton receives Republican backing

Times-Union: DeSantis, culture wars loom over Duval County School Board candidates

FlaPol: Kimberly Works makes pitch to parents in bid for Pinellas School Board seat

Today: Third candidate emerges as Sheriff Ivey election controversy grows

Sentinel: Security checkpoints, more cops and police dogs in downtown Orlando after shooting last weekend

On the Docket

MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2022

- **'STOP WOKE ACT':** Chief U.S. District Judge Mark Walker will hear arguments on a request for a preliminary injunction against a new law that Gov. Ron DeSantis dubbed the "Stop WOKE Act." The law restricts how race-related concepts can be addressed in workplace training and school classrooms. (Monday, 9 a.m., United States Courthouse, 111 North Adams St., Tallahassee.)
- **MEDICAID EXPENDITURES:** The Social Services Estimating Conference will analyze issues related to expenditures in the Medicaid program. (Monday, 9 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY:** The Florida Board of Occupational Therapy will meet. (Monday, 9 a.m., Holiday Inn Tallahassee East Capitol-University, 2003 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee.)
- **TAMPA BAY COUNCIL:** The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council will meet. (Monday, 10 a.m., 4000 Gateway Centre Blvd. Suite 100, Pinellas Park. Call-in number: 1-786-635-1003. Meeting ID: 85871937581. Code: 100200. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85871937581?pwd=N1pUOG9jZm hqdmRGaW1LUEczbGN0UT09>)

- EASTERN FLORIDA TRUSTEES: The Eastern Florida State College Board of Trustees will meet. (Monday, 10:30 a.m., Eastern Florida State College, Melbourne Campus, 3865 North Wickham Road, Melbourne.)
- TRUST FUNDS DRAW ATTENTION: The Revenue Estimating Conference will discuss what are known as outlooks for the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund and the State Schools Trust Fund. (Monday, 1:30 p.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- DEVELOPMENT FINANCE BOARD: The Florida Development Finance Corp. Board of Directors will meet. (Monday, 3 p.m., Florida Development Finance Corp., 156 Tuskawilla Road, Suite 2340, Winter Springs. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Code: 595459716)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2022

- SUWANNEE WATER BOARD: The Suwannee River Water Management District Governing Board will meet. (Tuesday, 9 a.m., Suwannee River Water Management District, 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak.)
- RURAL COUNTIES: The Revenue Estimating Conference will discuss issues related to “fiscally constrained” rural counties. (Tuesday, 9 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- FLOATING SOLAR FACILITIES: The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services’ Office of Energy will hold a workshop about floating solar facilities. (Tuesday, 10 a.m. <https://meet.goto.com/923557093>. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Meeting ID: 923557093)
- ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER BOARD: The St. Johns River Water Management District Governing Board will meet. (Tuesday, 10 a.m., St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid St., Palatka.)
- FLORIDA GULF COAST TRUSTEES: The Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 10 a.m. <https://www.fgcu.edu/about/leadership/fgcuboardoftrustees/boardcast>)
- ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE BOARD: The St. Petersburg College Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 10 a.m., St. Petersburg College, Epi-Center, 13805 58th St. North, Clearwater.)
- JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE BOARD: The Board of Trustees of Florida State College at Jacksonville will hold a workshop, followed by a regular board meeting. (Tuesday, workshop at noon, board meeting at 1 p.m., Florida State College at Jacksonville, Advanced Technology Center, 401 West State St., Jacksonville.)
- BROWARD COLLEGE TRUSTEES: The Broward College Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 1 p.m., Broward College, Willis Holcombe Downtown Center, 111 East Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale.)
- COLLEGE ENROLLMENT: The Education Estimating Conference will analyze enrollment in the Florida college system. (Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- PALM BEACH COLLEGE BOARD: The Palm Beach State College Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 4 p.m., Palm Beach State College, Lake Worth Campus, 4200 Congress Ave., Lake Worth.)
- WAKULLA SPRINGS PARK: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection will hold a meeting about a 10-year management plan for Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park. (Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park, lodge, 465 Wakulla Park Dr., Wakulla Springs.)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022

- FAMU TRUSTEES: The Florida A&M University Board of Trustees will hold a retreat. (Wednesday, 8:30 a.m., Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel, 9939 Universal Blvd., Orlando.)
- PAROLE ISSUES: The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165)
- PRE-KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM: The Early Learning Programs Estimating Conference will discuss issues related to the voluntary pre-kindergarten program. (Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)

- **COMMUNITIES TRUST BOARD:** The Florida Communities Trust Governing Board will meet. (Wednesday, 10 a.m., Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Douglas Building, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8410273717177412365>)
- **ORLANDO REFUGEE PANEL:** The Orlando Area Refugee Task Force will meet. (Wednesday, 10 a.m. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>)
- **SOUTHWEST REFUGEE PANEL:** The Southwest Florida Refugee Task Force will meet. (Wednesday, 1 p.m. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>)
- **EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE ANALYZED:** The Self-Insurance Estimating Conference will analyze issues related to the state employees' health-insurance program. (Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- **ST. JOHNS RIVER COLLEGE BOARD:** The St. Johns River State College Board of Trustees will meet. (Wednesday, 3 p.m., St. Johns River State College, Palatka Campus, 5001 St. Johns Ave., Palatka.)
- **CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES DEBATE:** Republican candidates in Central Florida's Congressional District 7 will take part in a debate held by Seminole Republican Women, Federated. (Wednesday, 6 p.m., Oviedo Cultural Center, 357 Center Lake Lane, Oviedo.)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2022

- **CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK BOARD:** The Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling will meet in Central Florida. (Thursday, 8 a.m., Holiday Inn Disney Springs, 1805 Hotel Plaza Blvd., Lake Buena Vista.)
- **FAMU TRUSTEES:** The Florida A&M University Board of Trustees will continue a retreat and then hold a board meeting. (Thursday, retreat starts at 8:30 a.m., with board meeting at noon, Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel, 9939 Universal Blvd., Orlando.)
- **UNEMPLOYMENT FUND:** The Revenue Estimating Conference will discuss a forecast for the state Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund. (Thursday, 9 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- **SOUTH FLORIDA WATER BOARD:** The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet. (Thursday, 9 a.m., South Florida Water Management District, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach. https://sfwmd-gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Cc2G-19cQ8qf2kPaUPohOg)
- **UNEMPLOYMENT CASES:** The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will meet. (Thursday, 9:30 a.m., Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 175899214)
- **UNF TRUSTEES:** The University of North Florida Board of Trustees will meet. (Thursday, 11 a.m., University of North Florida, Student Union, Jacksonville.)
- **NORTHWEST WATER BOARD:** The Northwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board will hold a workshop, followed by a regular board meeting. (Thursday, workshop at 11 a.m., board meeting at 1 p.m., Northwest Florida Water Management District, 81 Water Management Dr., Havana.)
- **FINANCIAL AID:** The Education Estimating Conference will analyze issues related to student financial aid. (Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- **FLORIDA GATEWAY TRUSTEES:** The Florida Gateway College Board of Trustees will meet. (Thursday, 5 p.m., Florida Gateway College, Administration Building, Lake City.)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2022

- **ROMMEL, MELO SPEAK TO GOP CLUB:** Rep. Bob Rommel, R-Naples, and Rep. Lauren Melo, R-Naples, are scheduled to speak to the Republican Men's Club of Collier County. (Friday, 7:30 a.m., Hilton Naples, 5111 Tamiami Trail North, Naples.)
- **DENTAL BOARD:** The Florida Board of Dentistry will meet in Hillsborough County. (Friday, 7:30 a.m., Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore, 555 North Westshore Blvd., Tampa.)

- LAND ISSUES: The state Acquisition and Restoration Council, which works on land-conservation issues, will meet. (Friday, 9 a.m., Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Marjory Stoneman Douglas Building, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee.)
- OSTEOPATHIC BOARD: The Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine will meet in Broward County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Marriott Fort Lauderdale Airport, 166 North Compass Way, Dania Beach.)
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE ISSUES: The Criminal Justice Estimating Conference will meet. (Friday, 9 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- CLINICAL LAB BOARD: The Florida Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel will meet. (Friday, 9 a.m. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 561487373)
- MIAMI-DADE REFUGEE PANEL: The Miami-Dade Refugee Task Force will meet. (Friday, 10 a.m. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>)
- FSDB TRUSTEES: The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind Board of Trustees will hold a workshop, followed by a regular board meeting. (Friday, 2 p.m., Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, Moore Hall, 207 San Marco Blvd., St. Augustine.)
- OPTICIAN ISSUES: The Florida Board of Opticianry will meet. (Friday, 2 p.m. <https://meet.goto.com/161718005>. Call-in number: 1-866-899-4679. Code: 161718005)
- DEADLINE FOR CHANCELLOR APPLICATIONS: A search committee of the state university system's Board of Governors set an Aug. 12 application deadline for candidates to become the system's chancellor. A search began after Chancellor Marshall Criser announced he will step down at the end of the year.
- FINANCE REPORTS DUE: State candidates and political committees face a Friday deadline for filing reports showing finance activity through Aug. 5.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022

- EARLY VOTING STATEWIDE: Counties will be required to start offering in-person early voting Saturday for the Aug. 23 primary elections. Many counties will start earlier in the week.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES PROJECTED FOR FY 22-23

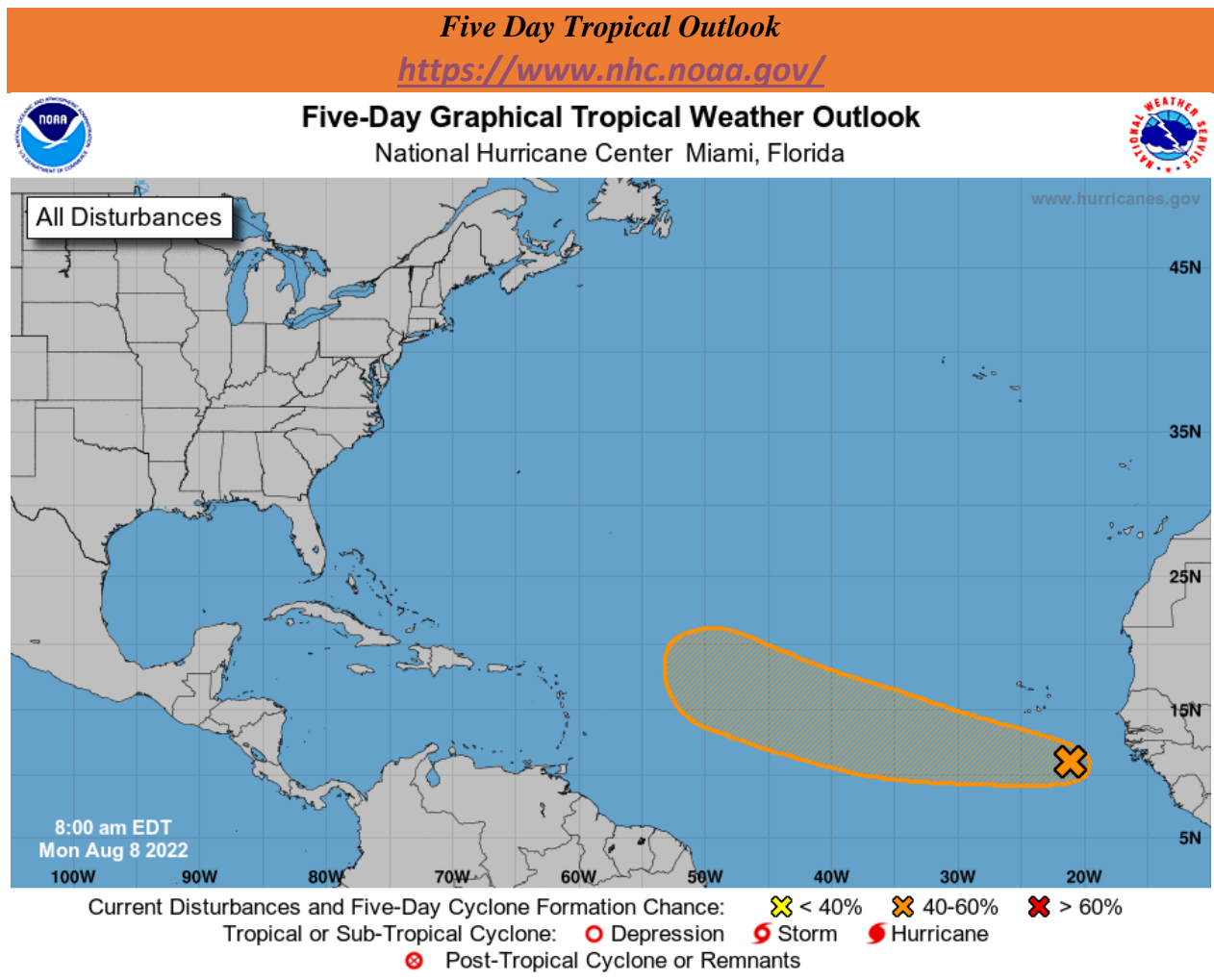
2022

August 23 -	Primary Election
Sept. 14-16 -	FAC Legislative Policy Conference – Miami-Dade
November 8 -	General Election
Possible TBA	<i>Small County Coalition</i> – Orientation and Legislative Meeting
November 22 -	Legislative Organizational Session
Nov. 29 – Dec. 2 -	FSBA/FADSS Annual Winter Conference – Tampa
<i>Dec. 1 -</i>	<i>Small District Breakfast – Joint meeting of FSBA Small Dist. Council and the Small School District Council Consortium</i>
<i>Nov. 30- Dec. 2 -</i>	<i>FAC Legislative Conference – Pinellas</i>
December –	Legislative Committee Meetings
December 7-9 -	Rural Development Summit – Registration and Hotel Information

2023

January –	Legislative Committee Meetings
February –	Legislative Committee Meetings

- March 7 - Regular Session convenes
- March 15 - Small District Briefing – prior to FSBA Legislative Conference
- March 15–17 - 36th Annual FSBA Day in the Legislature
- March - TBD – Small County Coalition Legislative Briefing and Reception
- April 25- Rural Counties Day Legislative Reception
- April 27 - Rural Days in the Legislature
- May 5 - 60th day – last day of Regular Session
- June 7-9- FSBA/FADSS Annual Summer Conference, Tampa, FL
- June 27-30 - FAC Annual Summer Conference
- November 30 – Small District Breakfast – Joint meeting of the FSBA Small District Council and the Small School District Council Consortium



About the Briefing!

The Briefing is compiled **2-3 times a week** to provide information to County Commissioners and staff in counties that are members of the Small County Coalition and School Board members, Superintendents,

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