



The Briefing – Friday Afternoon Update September 23 – 2022

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NCAA FOOTBALL SCHEDULE FOR WEEK FOUR

Saturday, Sept. 24 - Florida Teams in Play

South Florida at Louisville | 12 p.m. | ESPN3

Grambling at Bethune-Cookman | 2 p.m. | ESPN+

No. 20 Florida at No. 11 Tennessee | 3:30 p.m. | CBS

FIU at Western Kentucky | 3:30 p.m. | CBSSN

Middle Tennessee at No. 25 Miami (Fla.) | 3:30 p.m. | ACC Network

Georgia Tech at UCF | 4 p.m. | ESPNU

Alabama A&M at Florida A&M | 6 p.m. | ESPN+

Florida Atlantic at Purdue | 7:30 p.m. | Big Ten Network

Boston College at Florida State | 8 p.m. | ACC Network

The Quick

REACH Act Directs Reduction of the number of Workforce Boards

CareerSource Florida is engaging a Realignment Process

CareerSource Florida is exploring approaches to aligning Florida's 24 local workforce development boards, consistent with the charge for reducing the number of local boards under the Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH) Act. The REACH Act seeks to achieve a more coordinated approach in delivering and using essential workforce development resources and services through enhanced alignment and accountability.

Signed into law after the 2021 Legislative Session, the REACH Act is an effort to position Florida to help people with barriers to education and employment become self-sufficient through enhanced access to good jobs and career pathways that offer economic opportunity.

The REACH Act (House Bill 1507)

House Bill 1507 Staff Analysis

CareerSource Florida REACH Act Highlights At-a-Glance

A complete overview and analysis are available at <https://careersourceflorida.com/boardroom/reach-act/>. This site includes an explanation of all facets of the REACH Act including the Phase 1 Report (which has been concluded), an

outline for Phase 2, a full set of Questions and Answers about the processes used for developing final recommendations, and an overview of the metrics for assigning Grades to the 24 Workforce Boards. Included with this briefing are the following -

*[Phase One Findings Report: LWDB Alignment Evaluation](#)
[Phase Two Scope of Work: Discovery, Research, and Option Development](#)*

Grants Issued Supporting Entrepreneurship and Work Training Program

The Department of Education has awarded \$1.9 million to support entrepreneurship education and training programs at 8 state colleges and 17 school districts across the state. This funding will help students learn about how to run a small business and connect them with available opportunities in their area. The awards will create and support programs at colleges, high schools and middle schools. View the list of institutions receiving funding for 2022-23, [here](#). Congratulations to SSDCC members - Gilchrist, Indian River, Levy, and Sumter School Districts – each receiving \$100,000 grants.

Florida’s education system has more than 20,000 students earning an industry certification in Entrepreneurship and Small Business (ESB). The ESB certification is a rigorous professional exam that validates the foundational-level concepts and knowledge involved in being an entrepreneur and a small business owner. These awards are through the Perkins V Entrepreneurship Education and Training Grant (EET), which is designed to help grow entrepreneurship-related initiatives across the state’s career and technical education (CTE) programs. Florida’s Perkins V [State Plan](#) has committed to creating a robust entrepreneurial statewide ecosystem through its CTE programs. The plan recognizes how self-employment and the ability to create value contributes to Florida’s economic security. For this reason, the plan attempts to help all CTE stakeholders understand how to better support interdisciplinary and entrepreneurial ways of thinking and acting across all career pathways.

The EET grant funds a variety of initiatives, such as teacher professional development and certification programs in entrepreneurship education, development of student idea-accelerator programs, or start-up boot camps for budding entrepreneurs. The grant also helps underwrite the costs associated with integrating entrepreneurship education and training into all of Florida’s CTE programs of study. The grant aims to help school districts and colleges expand community and business partnerships to better connect.
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Upcoming Meetings

Small County Coalition Fall Breakfast Meeting

*Wednesday – November 3 0 - St. Pete – Coinciding with the FAC Winter Meeting
Greet New Commissioners and Adopt Legislative Program
[Registration for FAC Legislative Annual Conference](#)*

Small School District Council Consortium - Breakfast Meeting

*Thursday – December 1 – Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay -Coinciding with the FSBA Winter Meeting
Greet New School Board Members and Adopt Legislative Program
[FSBA/FADSS 77th Annual Joint Conference – Florida School Boards Association](#)*

Florida Rural Economic Development Summit

*December 7-9, 2022 - Renaissance World Golf Village Resort in St. Augustine
[Registration for Summit](#)*

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, and staff in districts that are members of the Small School District Council Consortium. It is also sent to Professional Colleagues and Associates. For Questions Email – Cdoolin@DoolinandAssoc.com

Website Links

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