



My Dad landed on the beach in Normandy – God Bless the troops!

The Briefing for November 11, 2023

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

Games this weekend!

[College Football Schedule for Week 11 - 2023 Season - ESPN](#)

Miami at FSU – 3:30 – ABC

Florida at LSU – 7:30 – SEC Network

Noteworthy Issues To Be Considered Next Week

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Links to Monitor the Legislative Session

[Link to the Florida Senate](#)

[Link to the Florida House of Representatives](#)

[The Florida Channel](#)

Headlines Around The State

NBC: Ron DeSantis and Nikki Haley tout post-debate fundraising

FlaPol: Donald Trump wrongly thanks Randy Fine for switching parties

WaPo: The librarian who couldn't take it anymore

Herald: Miami's mayor says Haley, not DeSantis, has real shot at winning the GOP nomination

FlaPol: Susan Valdes hosting Thanksgiving food drive for Tampa families

FlaPol: Kathy Castor honors Tampa Bay area veterans ahead of Veterans Day

Sentinel: Political insiders get fat paychecks, big contracts from DeSantis' Disney district

FlaPol: Citing legal fears, Florida universities push back on Gov. DeSantis' order to shut down pro-Palestinian campus groups

WUSF: Change involving a sociology class in Florida universities spurs a debate

FlaPol: In wake of Israel debate, Angie Nixon calls for censure of Randy Fine

FlaPol: Dean Black, Angie Nixon spar over confederate statue protection bill

Gainesville Sun: Pro-Palestinian protesters break out into chants at Florida State board meeting

FlaPol: University of Florida bans from campus teaching assistant accused of vandalizing pro-Israel flag

FlaPol: Florida Student Association taps new Executive Director, the group's first Black leader

Gainesville Sun: District acknowledges superintendent brought Bible into meeting, referenced scripture

On the Docket – Week of November 13

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023

— Legislature:

- EMPLOYEE INSURANCE - Monday, 3:30 p.m. The House Select Committee on Health Innovation will receive a briefing from the Department of Management Services about the state-employee health plan and insurance “shared savings programs.” Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- HURRICANE IDALIA IMPACTS - Monday, 3:30 p.m. The House Select Committee on Hurricane Resiliency & Recovery will hold a panel discussion about local governments affected by Hurricane Idalia. 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.

— Also:

- SOUTH FLORIDA COUNCIL - Monday, 10:30 a.m. The South Florida Regional Planning Council will meet. South Florida Regional Planning Council, 1 Oakwood Blvd., Suite 250, Hollywood. <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84586606000?pwd=q3VJ4IMYUCCBy7AWpoQtVbBG0Qb5Gb.1#success>. Meeting ID: 84586606000. Code: 579779
- BLACK HISTORY MUSEUM - Monday, 1 p.m. The Florida Museum of Black History Task Force will meet. R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough St., Tallahassee. <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5212534373432684889>. Webinar ID: 329262835
- SEMINOLE STATE TRUSTEES - Monday, 2 p.m. The Seminole State College of Florida Board of Trustees will meet. Seminole State College of Florida, Sanford/Lake Mary Campus, Automotive Showroom, 100 Weldon Blvd., Sanford. www.seminolestate.edu/live-video
- HEALTH ISSUES - Monday, 2:30 p.m. Sen. Corey Simon, D-Tallahassee, will be the keynote speaker during an event held by The MolinaCares Accord and Molina Healthcare of Florida. The event will include a panel discussion titled, “Empowering Pathways to a Healthy and Resilient Florida,” moderated by News Service of Florida senior writer Dara Kam. Information at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/empowering-pathways-to-a-healthy-and-resilient-florida-tickets-732226468077?aff=oddtcreator>

- TURNPIKE WIDENING - Monday, 5:30 p.m. Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise will hold an online meeting about plans to widen part of the turnpike in Miami-Dade County. www.Widen-TPK-CampbelltoTallahassee.com

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

— Legislature:

- VETERANS CARE FACILITIES - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. The Senate Military and Veterans Affairs, Space and Domestic Security Committee will take up a bill (SB 174), filed by Sen. Danny Burgess, R-Zephyrhills, that would make changes in admissions criteria for state long-term care facilities for veterans. 301 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- CONDO REGULATION - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. The Senate Regulated Industries Committee will hold a panel discussion about condominium governance and regulation. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
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- ENERGY FUTURE - Tuesday, 3 p.m. The House Commerce Committee will receive a presentation about “Florida’s energy future,” including issues such as smart grids and hydrogen-fueled power. 212 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- HEALTH CARE WORKERS - Tuesday, 4 p.m. The Senate Health Policy Committee will receive presentations about shortages of health-care workers, as President Kathleen Passidomo, R-Naples, makes health-care issues a priority for the 2024 legislative session. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.

— Also:

- MIAMI DADE COLLEGE BOARD - Tuesday, 8 a.m. The Miami Dade College Board of Trustees will meet. Miami Dade College, Kendall Campus, 11011 S.W. 104th St., Miami.
- ELECTIONS ISSUES - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. The Florida Elections Commission will meet. 12 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- FLORIDA GULF COAST TRUSTEES - Tuesday, 9 a.m. The Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees will hold a workshop. Florida Gulf Coast University, 10501 FGCU Blvd. South, Fort Myers.
- SUWANNEE WATER BOARD - Tuesday, 9 a.m. The Suwannee River Water Management District Governing Board will meet. Suwannee River Water Management District, 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak.
- SOUTHWEST WATER BOARD - Tuesday, 9 a.m. The Southwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet. Southwest Florida Water Management District, 7601 U.S. 301 North, Tampa.
- PAROLE CASES - Tuesday, 9 a.m. The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. Florida Commission on Offender Review, 4070 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165

- FAU TRUSTEES - Tuesday, 10 a.m. The Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees will meet. Florida Atlantic University, Administration Building, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton.
- CHILD CARE ISSUES - Tuesday, 10 a.m. The Florida Chamber Foundation will hold an event titled, "Untapped Potential: Understanding and Solving Florida's Childcare Crisis." Participants are expected to include Rep. Dana Trabulsy, R-Fort Pierce. Information at <https://floridaflcoc.weblinkconnect.com/events/Untapped-Potential-Understanding-and-Solving-Florida-s-Childcare-Crisis-2357/details>
- FLORIDA SOUTHWESTERN BOARD - Tuesday, 10 a.m. The Florida SouthWestern State College Board of Trustees will meet. Florida SouthWestern State College, Collier Campus, 7505 Grand Lely Dr., Naples.
- ST. JOHNS WATER BOARD - Tuesday, 10 a.m. The St. Johns River Water Management District Governing Board will meet. St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid St., Palatka.
- PASCO-HERNANDO COLLEGE BOARD - Tuesday, noon. The Pasco-Hernando State College Board of Trustees will meet. Pasco-Hernando State College, Porter Campus, 2727 Mansfield Blvd., Wesley Chapel.
- JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE BOARD - Tuesday, noon. The Florida State College at Jacksonville Board of Trustees will hold a workshop, followed by a board meeting. Florida State College at Jacksonville, Cecil Center-North, 13550 FSCJ Cecil Center Dr., Jacksonville.
- TCC BOARD - Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. The Tallahassee Community College Board of Trustees will meet. Tallahassee Community College, Hinson Administration Building, 444 Appleyard Dr., Tallahassee.
- SANTA FE COLLEGE BOARD - Tuesday, 4 p.m. The Santa Fe College Board of Trustees will meet. Santa Fe College, Perry Center, 14180 N.W. 119th Terrace, Alachua.
- LOBBYIST REPORTS DUE - Lobbying firms face a Tuesday deadline to file reports showing compensation from July 1 through Sept. 30.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023

— Legislature:

- MANAGED CARE PILOT - Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. The Senate Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee will receive a presentation about a new law creating a pilot program to provide Medicaid managed-care services to people with developmental disabilities. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- PSC RULES - Wednesday, 10 a.m. The House Energy, Communications & Cybersecurity Subcommittee will take up a bill (HB 229), filed by Rep. Bobby Payne, R-Palatka, that would revise certain rules for the Public Service Commission. Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- WORKFORCE ISSUES - Wednesday, 10 a.m. The House Postsecondary Education & Workforce Subcommittee will receive an update about implementation of a workforce plan known as the REACH Act. Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- CORRECTIONS PLAN - Wednesday, 11 a.m. The Senate Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee will receive a presentation about a Department of Corrections "master plan." 37 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- BEHAVIORAL HEALTH - Wednesday, 1 p.m. The House Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee will receive presentations about behavioral health in the workplace. Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.

- ‘EASE’ PROGRAM - Wednesday, 1 p.m. The House Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee will receive a presentation about the Effective Access to Student Education, of EASE, grant program for students at private colleges and universities. 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- PRISON STAFFING - Wednesday, 1 p.m. The House Justice Appropriations Subcommittee will receive a presentation from the Department of Corrections about issues such as staffing. Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- PREVENTION SERVICES - Wednesday, 2 p.m. The Senate Children, Families and Elder Affairs Committee will receive presentations about prevention services. 37 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- SCHOOL DEREGULATION - Wednesday, 2 p.m. The Senate Education Pre-K-12 Committee is scheduled to take up three bills (SPB 7000, SPB 7002 and SPB 7004) about public-school deregulation. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- TRAIL NETWORK - Wednesday, 2 p.m. The Senate Transportation Committee will receive a presentation from the Department of Transportation about a new law that could help link hiking and biking trails, which are part of the Shared-Use Nonmotorized Trail Network, to a statewide wildlife corridor. 401 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- TEACHER CERTIFICATION - Wednesday, 3 p.m. The House Education Quality Subcommittee will receive a presentation from the Department of Education about “pathways to teacher certification.” Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- MOSQUITO DISTRICTS - Wednesday, 3 p.m. The House Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee will receive a presentation related to mosquito control districts. Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.

— **Also:**

- CONSERVATION PROGRAM - Wednesday, 8 a.m. The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will hold a meeting about the Rural and Family Lands Protection Program. Okeechobee County Civic Center, 1750 Highway 98 North, Okeechobee.
- ELECTIONS ISSUES - Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Florida Elections Commission is scheduled to meet. 12 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- UNEMPLOYMENT CASES - Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will meet. Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 686974885
- EAST CENTRAL COUNCIL - Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council will meet in Marion County. Silver Springs, 5656 East Silver Springs Blvd., Silver Springs.
- FLORIDA POLY TRUSTEES - Wednesday, 12:15 p.m. The Florida Polytechnic University Board of Trustees will meet. Florida Polytechnic University, Applied Research Center, 4700 Research Way, Lakeland. Call-in number: 1-863-225-2351. Conference ID: 978558216
- CRIME IN BLACK COMMUNITY - Wednesday, 4 p.m. U.S. Rep. Frederica Wilson, a Florida Democrat who chairs the Caucus on the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys, will host a congressional briefing on reducing crime in the Black community. Other participants are expected to include U.S. Rep. Maxwell Alejandro Frost, D-Fla. U.S. Capitol Building, North Congressional Meeting Room, Washington, D.C.

- LAKE-SUMTER COLLEGE BOARD - Wednesday, 5 p.m. The Lake-Sumter State College Board of Trustees will meet. Lake-Sumter State College, Leesburg Campus, Kelly Convocation Center, 9501 U.S. 441, Leesburg.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023

— Legislature:

- EMERGENCY MEASURES - Thursday, 9 a.m. The House Constitutional Rights, Rule of Law & Government Operations Subcommittee will receive a presentation from the Division of Emergency Management about measures the agency is able to take related to emergencies. 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- HEALTH CARE WORKERS - Thursday, 9 a.m. The House Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee will receive a presentation from the Department of Health about workforce programs. Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- AEROSPACE INDUSTRY - Thursday, 9 a.m. The House Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee will receive a presentation about the aerospace industry in Florida. 212 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION - Thursday, noon. The House Choice & Innovation Subcommittee will receive presentations about career and technical education. Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- ‘OFFER OF JUDGMENT’ - Thursday, noon. The House Civil Justice Subcommittee will hold a panel discussion on what is known as an “offer of judgment” law. 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- PUBLIC RECORDS LAWS - Thursday, 2 p.m. The House Ethics, Elections & Open Government Subcommittee will take up a series of bills related to current open-government laws. Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- HEALTH INFORMATION - Thursday, 2 p.m. The House Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee will receive a presentation from the Agency for Health Care Administration about health information transparency. Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.

— Also:

- BUSH LAUNCHES EDUCATION EVENT - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. Former Gov. Jeb Bush will give an opening keynote address for the National Summit on Education hosted by ExcelinEd. Hyatt Regency Atlanta, 265 Peachtree St. N.E., Atlanta.
- ABORTION INITIATIVE - Thursday, 9 a.m. The state Financial Impact Estimating Conference will analyze a proposed constitutional amendment aimed at ensuring abortion rights. Backers hope to put the proposal on the November 2024 ballot. 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- BLACK MEN, BOYS - Thursday, 9 a.m. The state Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys will meet. Call-in number: 1-877-309 2073. Meeting ID: 912798173
- GAMBLING ISSUES - Thursday, 10 a.m. The Florida Gaming Control Commission will meet. <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting>. Meeting ID: 262293256108. Code ZYnjKZ. Call-in number: 1-929-777-2488. Conference ID: 639902387
- GULF COAST COLLEGE BOARD - Thursday, 10 a.m. The Gulf Coast State College Board of Trustees will meet. Gulf Coast State College, Robert L. McSpadden Student Union West, Panama City.
- REFUGEES ISSUES - Thursday, 10 a.m. The Broward Refugee Task Force will meet. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/broward-refugee-task-force-meeting-0>

- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS - Thursday, 11 a.m. The Florida Supreme Court is expected to release regular weekly opinions.
- CITIZENS INSURANCE CLAIMS - Thursday, 1 p.m. The Claims Committee of the Citizens Property Insurance Corp. Board of Governors will meet. <https://www.citizensfla.com/public-meetings>. Call-in number: 1-786-635-1003. Meeting ID: 98593216531
- UCF TRUSTEES - Thursday, 3 p.m. The University of Central Florida Board of Trustees will meet. University of Central Florida, Live Oak Event Center, Orlando.
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023

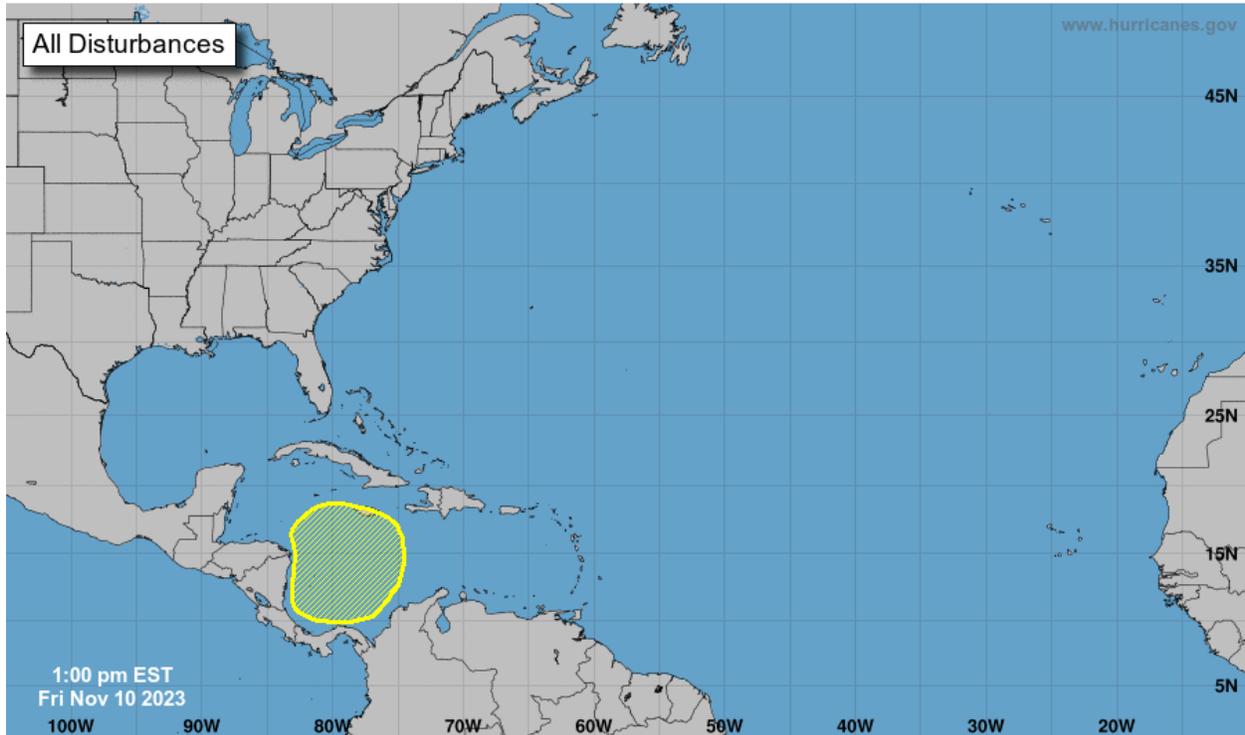
- DENTISTRY BOARD - Friday, 7:30 a.m. The Florida Board of Dentistry will meet. Hilton University of Florida Conference Center, 1714 S.W. 34th St., Gainesville.
- HEALTH INSURANCE - Friday, 9 a.m. The Florida Health Insurance Advisory Board is scheduled to meet. Call-in number: 1-866-299-7949. Code: 1433866
- 'IMPACT' CONFERENCE - Friday, 9 a.m. The Revenue Estimating Conference will hold an "impact" conference, which involves analyzing potential costs of legislation. 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- STATE COLLEGES - Friday, 9 a.m. The Council of Presidents of the state college system will meet. Tallahassee Community College, Center for Innovation, 300 West Pensacola St., Tallahassee.
- OSTEOPATHIC BOARD - Friday, 9 a.m. The Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine will meet. The Westshore Grand, 4860 West Kennedy Blvd., Tampa.
- ORTHOTISTS, PROSTHETISTS BOARD - Friday, 9 a.m. The Florida Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists will meet. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 610785533
- JOBLESS NUMBERS RELEASED - Friday, 10 a.m. The Florida Department of Commerce is scheduled to release an October unemployment report.
- TOP NURSING HOMES - Friday, 10 a.m. The Governor's Panel on Excellence in Long Term Care will review applications for "Gold Seal" awards. Agency for Health Care Administration Field Office, 400 West Robinson St., Hurston South Tower, Suite 309, Orlando.
- REFUGEE ISSUES - Friday, 10 a.m. The Palm Beach Area Refugee Task Force will meet. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/palm-beach-area-refugee-task-force-meeting-0>
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- TOURISM MARKETING - Friday, 2 p.m. The Visit Florida Marketing Council will meet. <https://visitflorida.zoom.us/j/84488785526>

Tropical Outlook

<https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>



Seven-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook
National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Current Disturbances and Seven-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: < 40% 40-60% > 60%
Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: Depression Storm Hurricane
 Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

About the Briefing!

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