

## Board Meeting Agenda Item Executive Summary

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Board Meeting 5-19-09

Agenda Consent

Item No. G. 16.

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| <b>Board Meeting Date:</b> | May 19, 2009   |
| <b>Submitted By:</b>       | Sandi Anusavice  |
| <b>Item Description:</b>   | Amendment to Articulation Agreement between Santa Fe College and Alachua County Public Schools |

**Purpose and Explanation:**

This amendment describes the collaboration between Santa Fe College and Alachua County Public Schools to meet the requirements of Senate Bill 1908 for postsecondary readiness.

### BUDGETARY IMPACT

**Funding Source (Description):**

**Amount:**

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| <p><b>Staff Attorney Review &amp; Approval</b><br/><i>(For Contracts Only)</i></p> | <p>Date: _____<br/>Initial: _____</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b></p> <p>Yes: _____ No: _____</p> |
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**Third Amendment to  
Alachua County Interinstitutional Articulation Agreement**

This Third Amendment to the Interinstitutional Articulation Agreement by and between the School Board of Alachua County, Florida, and The District Board of Trustees of Santa Fe Community College, Florida (now known as The District Board of Trustees of Santa Fe College, Florida), which was effective July 1, 2000, (hereafter the "Articulation Agreement") and amended effective July 23, 2003 and May 17, 2006, is entered into between the parties and shall be effective as of April 21, 2009.

WHEREAS, Section 1008.30, Florida Statutes, relating to common placement testing for postsecondary education and extending opportunities for remediation to high school seniors, requires cross-sector (secondary – postsecondary) cooperative efforts to expand the college/career readiness testing; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Third Amendment is to establish specifications for the implementation of College Readiness Assessment to permit the Florida College Entry-Level Placement Test to be administered by Santa Fe College to Alachua County Public Schools (ACPS) high school students in the tenth, eleventh or twelfth grade who wish to be assessed for College Readiness and for students who apply for Dual Enrollment.

NOW, therefore, in consideration of the premises, the parties agree to further amend the Articulation Agreement by adding Section VI. Test Administration and College Readiness as follows:

VI. Test Administration and College Readiness

1. The Florida College Entry-Level Placement Test (CPT) will be administered to high school students by Santa Fe College upon request by any ACPS high school principal at times and places based on mutual agreement, and as supported through written approval by Alachua County Public Schools.
2. The CPT (or companion version identified here in as "Companion") may be administered at a high school facility designated by the high school and approved by Santa Fe College as an appropriate test site.
3. The CPT may be administered at a testing center at Santa Fe College as arranged with the high school. In this event, the high school may provide transportation to the College. Santa Fe College shall not be responsible for the transportation of the students.
4. Reasonable accommodations will be provided at the test site for the administration of the CPT or Companion to students with disabilities. The high school will provide

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- accommodations at their expense when the test site is at a high school. Santa Fe will provide accommodations at their expense when the test site is at Santa Fe College.
5. Santa Fe College will be solely responsible for providing test security at all testing sites. A Santa Fe College assessment staff member will provide test materials and test administration at all testing sessions and will inventory and return materials to the Santa Fe College Assessment Center.
  6. The CPT or Companion will be administered on an agreed upon schedule with each participating high school and Santa Fe College. The individual testing administration will be scheduled to allow for the full time period needed for the administration of the CPT or Companion.
  7. The CPT or Companion may be administered to students in the tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grades as determined by each participating high school. Each high school will be responsible for notifying students about the test and to clearly inform them that this test is optional. Students will be permitted to take the CPT only one time for high school course placement. Students whose scores do not place them in at least the second college remedial course level or who choose to take Algebra II in their senior year are eligible to re-take the CPT when they are preparing for entry into Santa Fe College. Practice tests and other diagnostic tests may be administered as part of the high school's academic skills enhancement program.
  8. Santa Fe College will provide the CPT or Companion test materials at no charge to ACPS or the student unless there are extenuating financial circumstances. In this event, Santa Fe College and ACPS will agree on the remuneration prior to test administration.
  9. Santa Fe will provide test results for individual students and aggregate reports as requested by each high school or the District. Interpretation will be provided by Santa Fe College to high school personnel for distribution to students and to assist in the development of academic interventions by high schools to improve student skills. Placement into courses that prepare a student for college readiness will be based on the Testing/Placement charts outlined in Santa Fe College's catalog.
  10. Curricular options for preparing a student for college will be offered by ACPS. Math for College Readiness and Math For College Success are high school courses earning only secondary credit that fulfill this need. Eligibility will be determined by the placement score falling within the same range used for enrollment of college students in the corresponding remedial math course. The Math For College Success course which mirrors MAT0024 requires successful completion of the prep exit exam. The College will work with ACPS regarding test blueprints, test bank items and approved passing "cut scores." Writing for College Success and Reading for College Success are high school courses targeted for 12<sup>th</sup> graders whose placement scores are below the established cut score indicating that they are not "college-ready" in writing and reading. State Board Rule 6-A-10.0315 establishes the approved placement assessments and cut scores. Successful completion of these courses while in high school, will exempt students from

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further CPT testing/postsecondary remediation if they enroll in a community college within 2 years of completion. Successful completion requires a grade of "C" or better which includes the exit exam. This is the same exit examination administered to students enrolling in a postsecondary developmental education math, writing, and reading courses at the College.

11. High school transcripts will reflect any college readiness coursework taken by the student.

12. The parties may provide personally identifiable student records to each other in the performance of this agreement. Such records are provided pursuant to Section 1002.22(3)(d), Florida Statutes, and 20 U.S.C.A. 1232g. Each party further agrees to comply with Section 1002.22, Florida Statutes, and 20 U.S.C.A. 1232g, including but not limited to provisions related to confidentiality, access, consent, length of retention and security of student records.

13. To the extent of any conflict between the terms of the Articulation Agreement or any Amendment and this Third Amendment, this Third Amendment shall govern the rights of the parties hereto. All terms and conditions of the Articulation Agreement and valid amendments not expressly modified herein shall remain in full force and effect.

NOW, therefore, the parties hereto respectively set their hands and seal on the dates shown below and submit they have the legal authority to commit the parties to this Amendment.

The District Board of Trustees of  
Santa Fe College, Florida

The School Board of Alachua County,  
Florida

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Evelyn Womack, Chair

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Dan Boyd, Superintendent

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_