

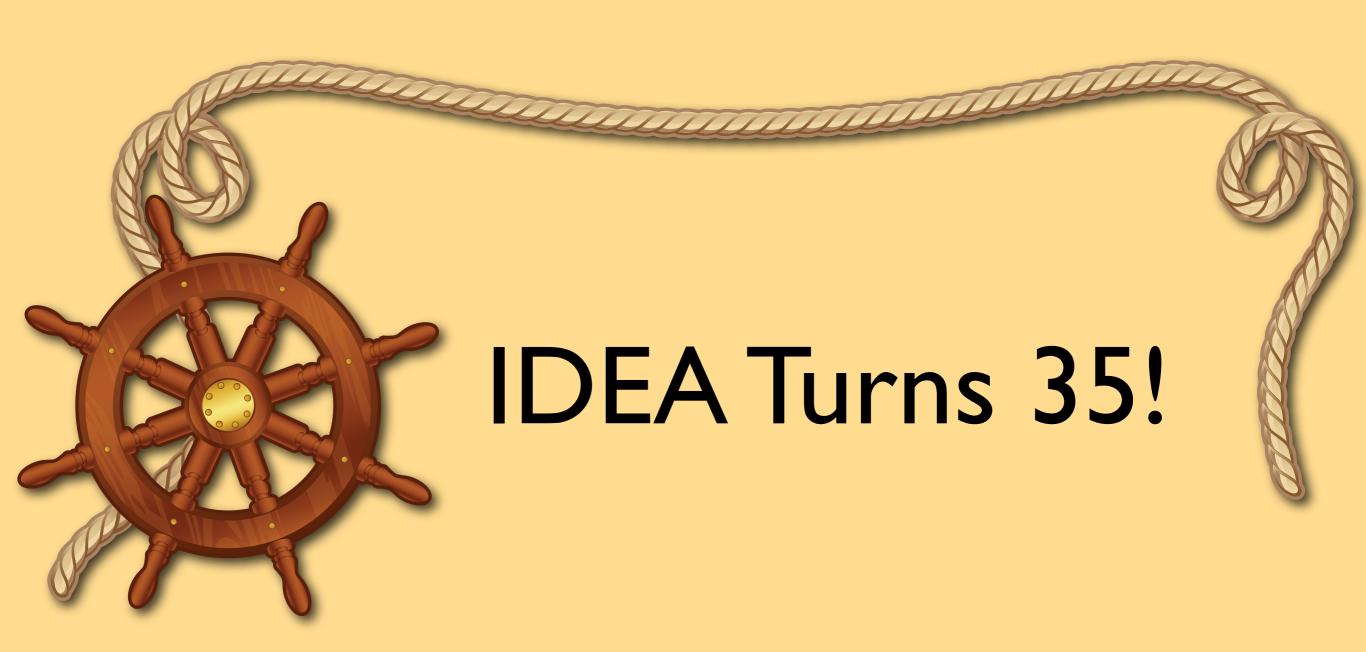
# Holding Strong at the Helm!

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### Cruising the National Ports



### IDEA: Charting the First 35 Years



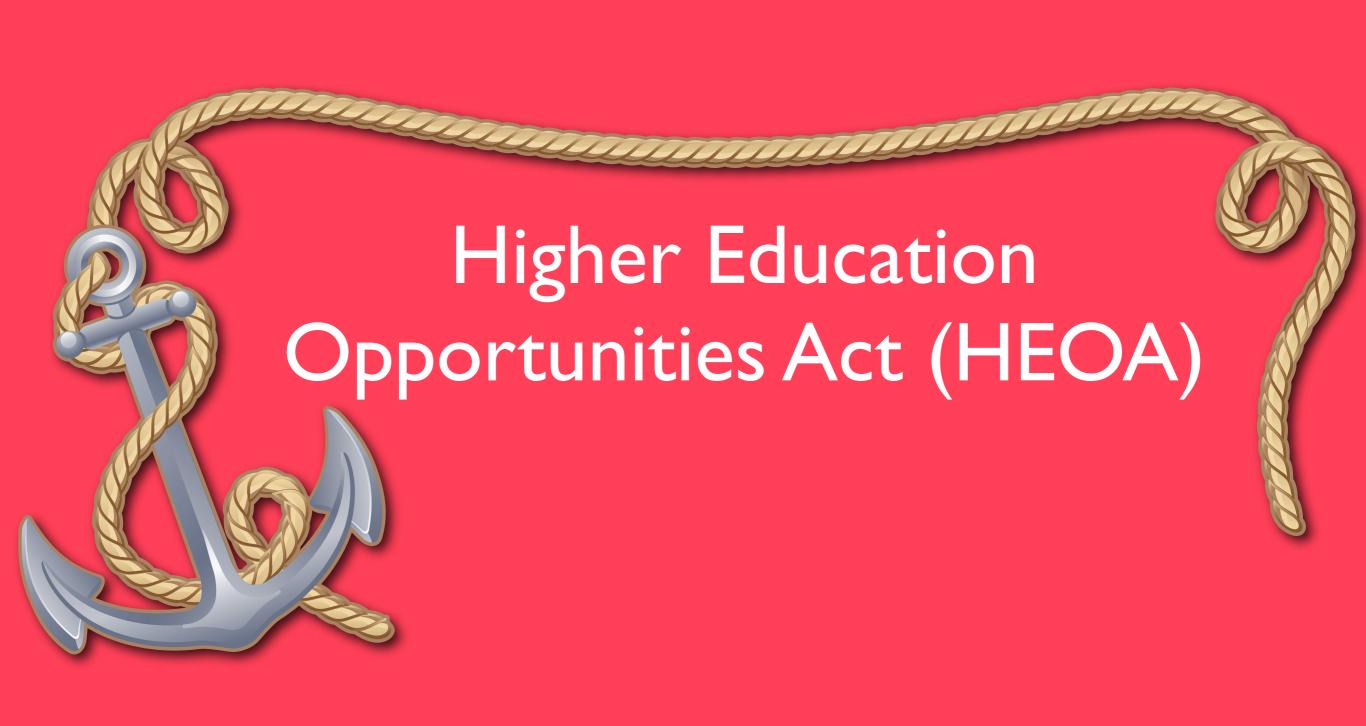
- 1975: Education of All Handicapped Children's Act (EHA) - mandated FAPE for children, 3-21
- 1986: EHA amendments mandated services from birth
- 1990: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
  - FAPE must prepare student for education, employment, and independent living
- 1997: IDEA amendments expanded initiatives for transition services from high school to adult living
- 2004: IDEA revised the IEP process, due process, and discipline provisions



### ESEA Reauthorization



- Improving Student Achievement
- System of Data Collection and Measurement to Ensure Accountability and Effective Measurement of Student Performance and Achievement
- Improving Administrator and Teacher Effectiveness
- Career and College Readiness Standards
- Funding and Resources for Effective Implementation



### Summary HEOA Provisions



- Enacted August 14, 2008
- Provisions for education of students with ID/DD
- Allows students enrolled in programs to be eligible for work-study jobs, Pell grants and Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants
- Authorizes inclusive comprehensive transition and post-secondary programs



### Definition



- Transition and Postsecondary Program for Students with Intellectual Disabilities as:
- A degree, certificate, or nondegree program that is—
  - Offered by an institution of higher education;
  - Designed to support students with intellectual disabilities seeking to
    - continue academic
    - career technical
    - independent living instruction at an institution of higher education in order to prepare for gainful employment; and
  - includes an advising and curriculum structure

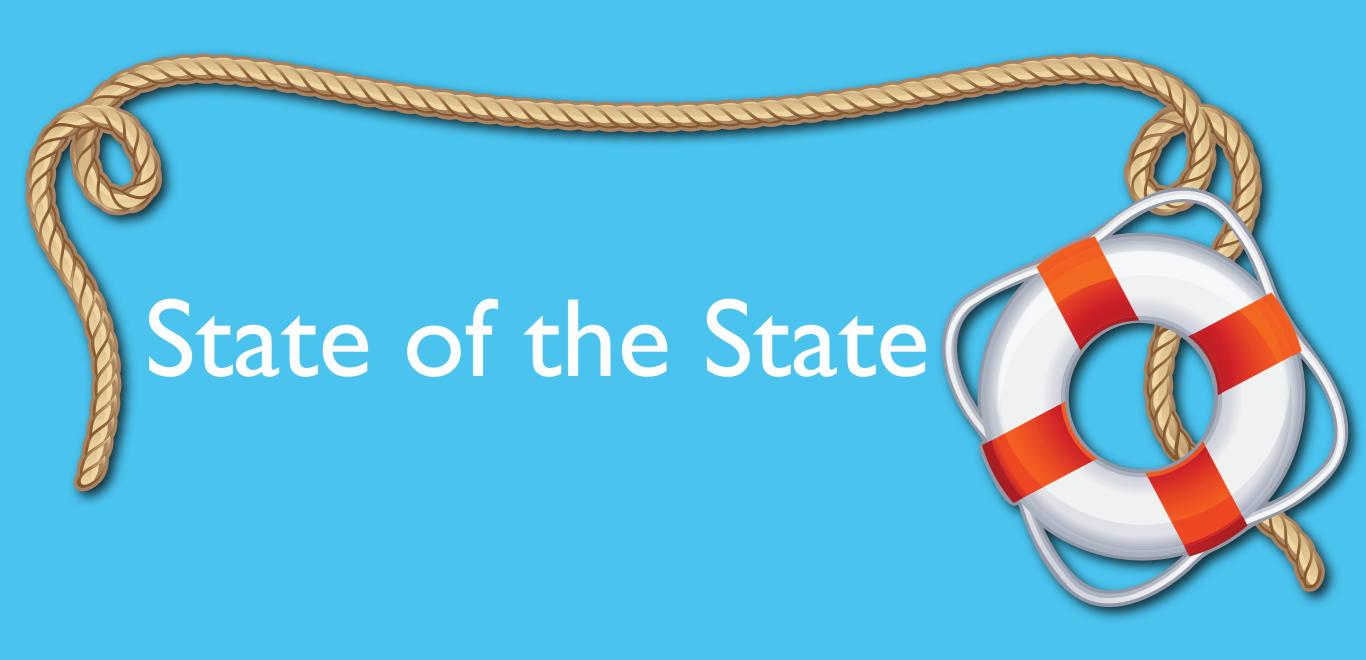
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Programs for Students with Intellectual Disabilities

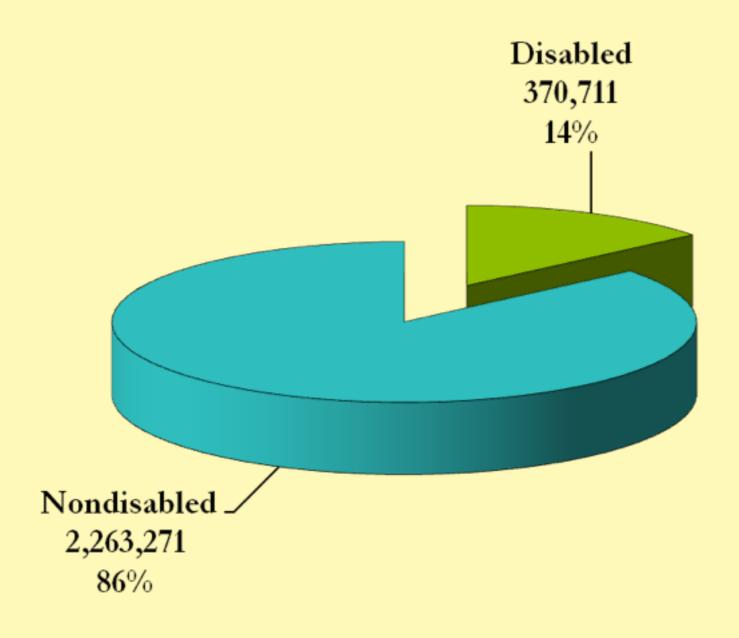








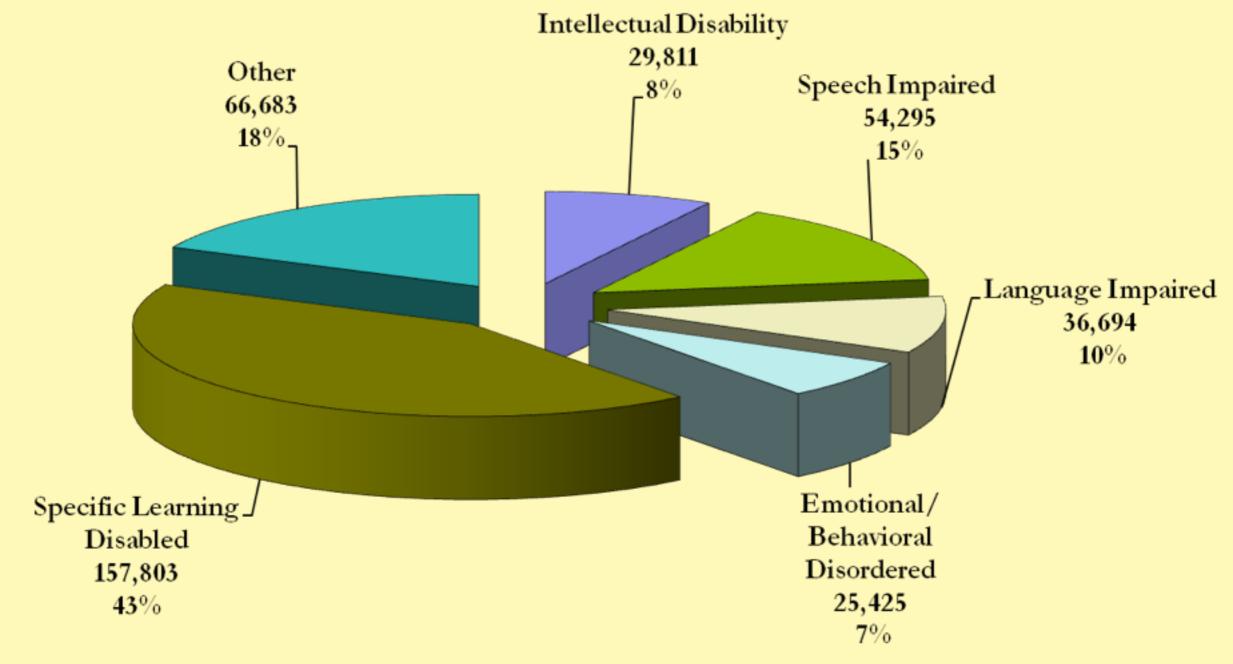
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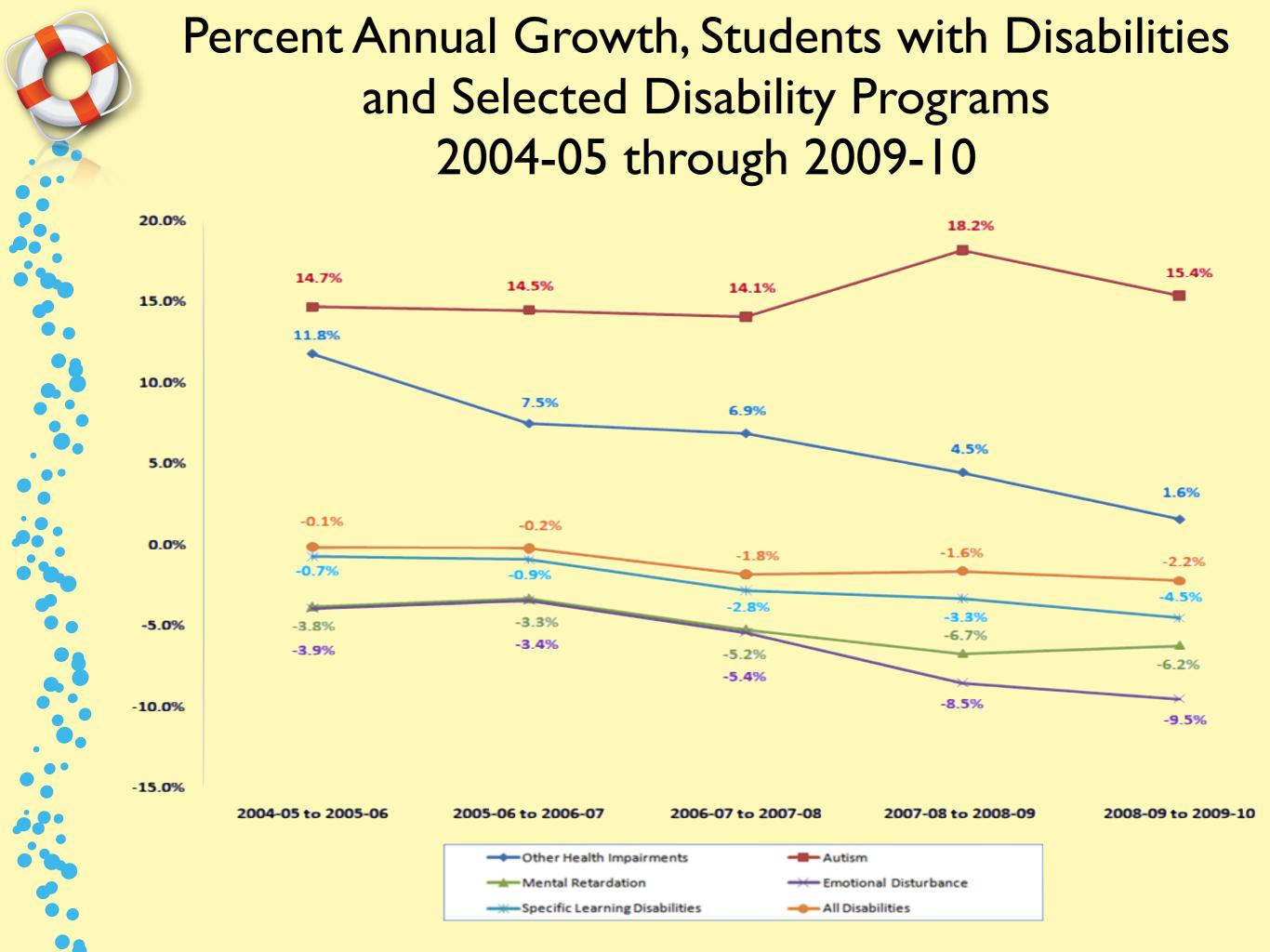
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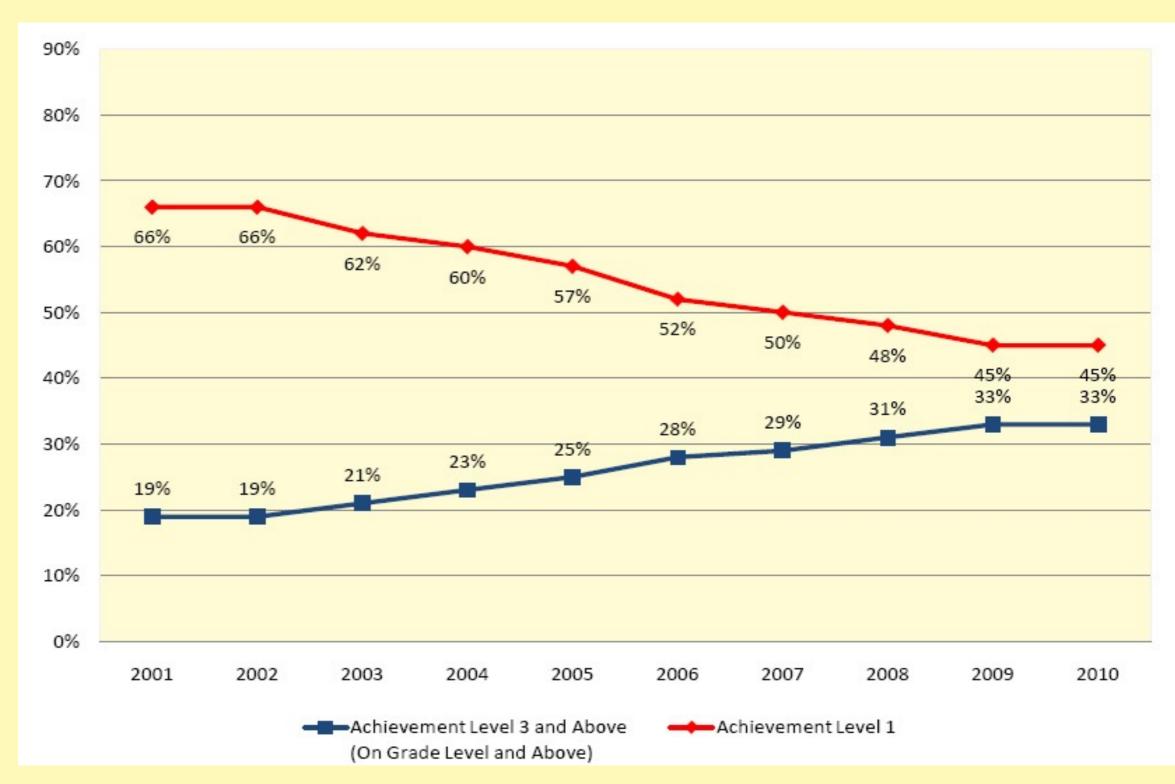


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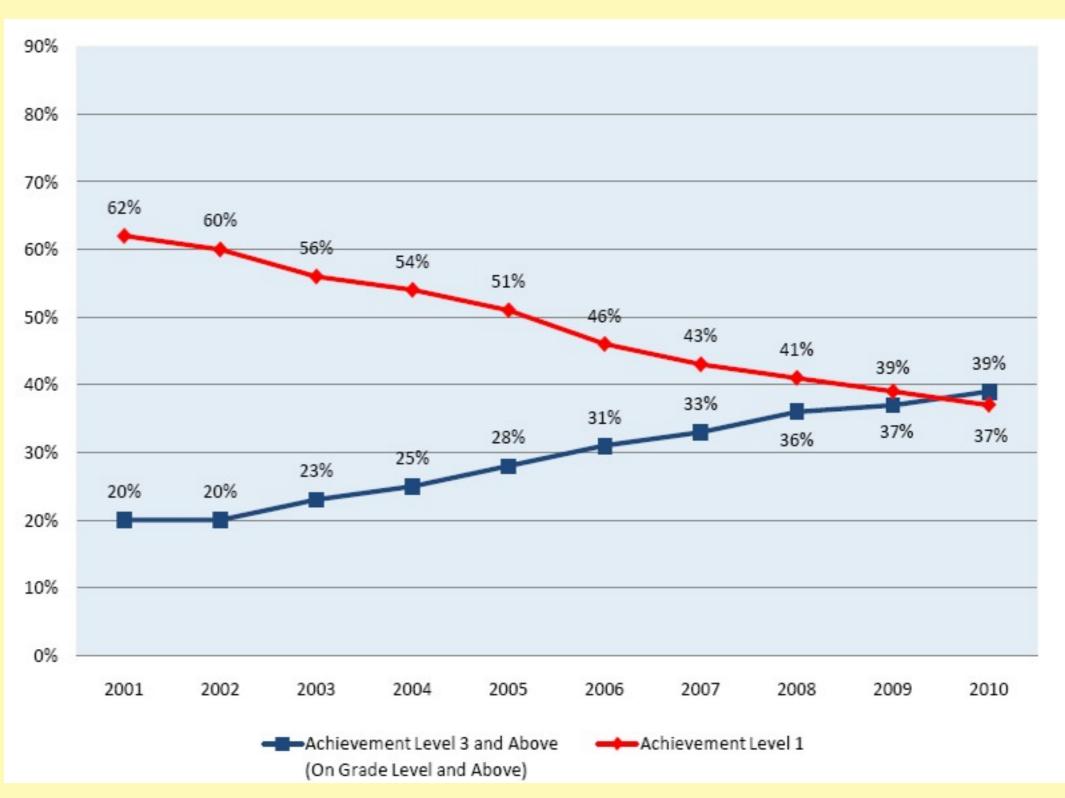


# 2010 FCAT Reading Students with Disabilities Grades 3-10



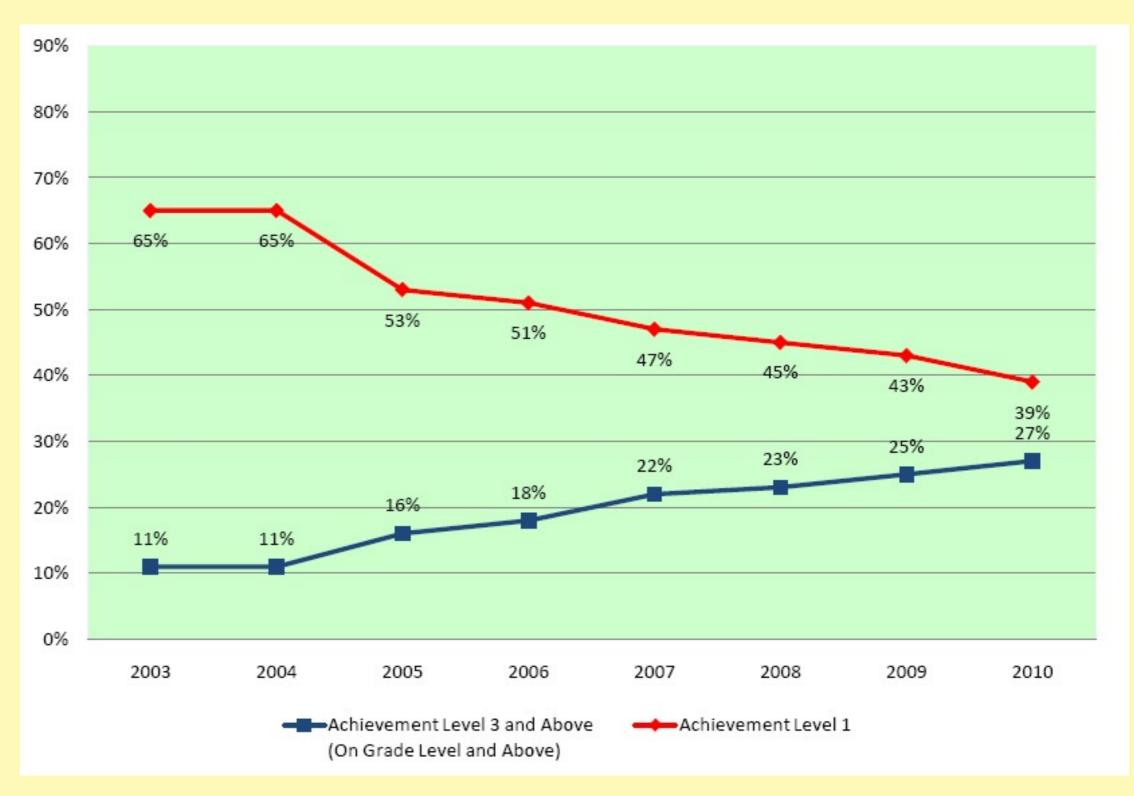


# 2010 FCAT Math Students with Disabilities Grades 3-10



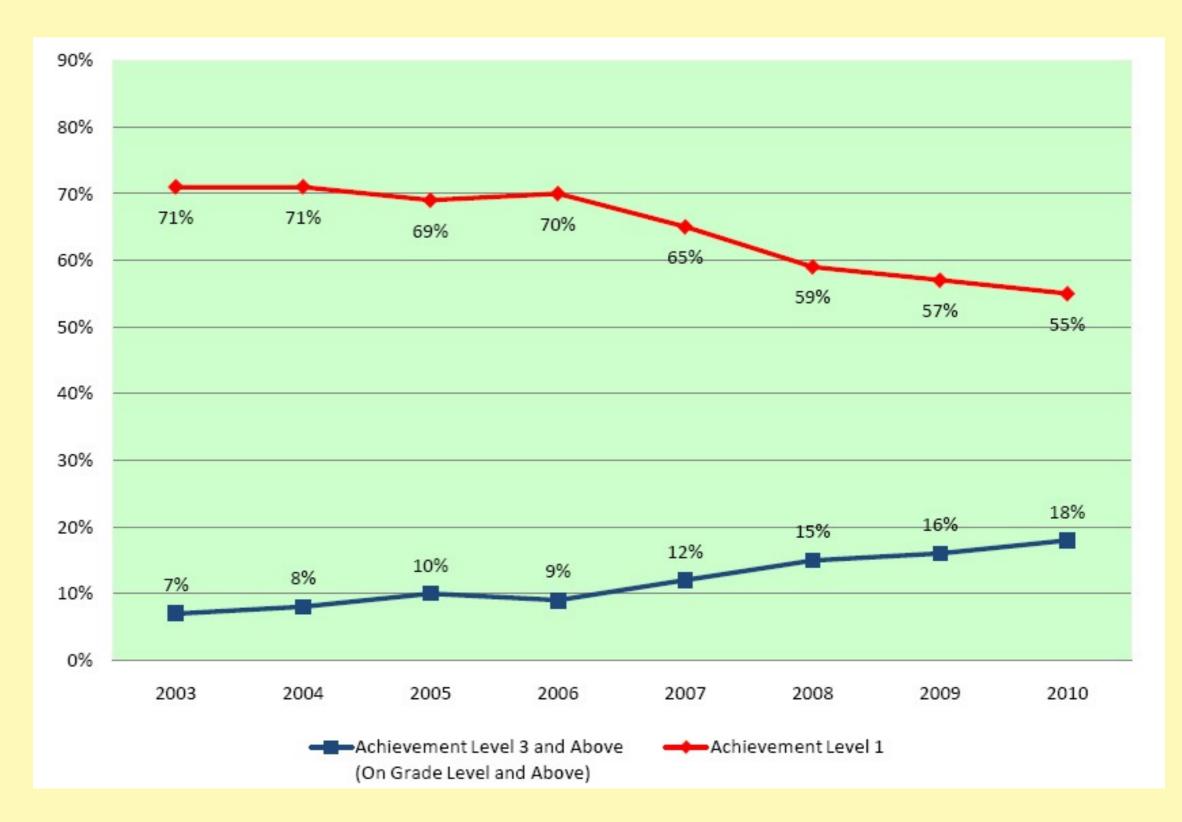


#### 2010 FCAT Science Students with Disabilities Grade 5



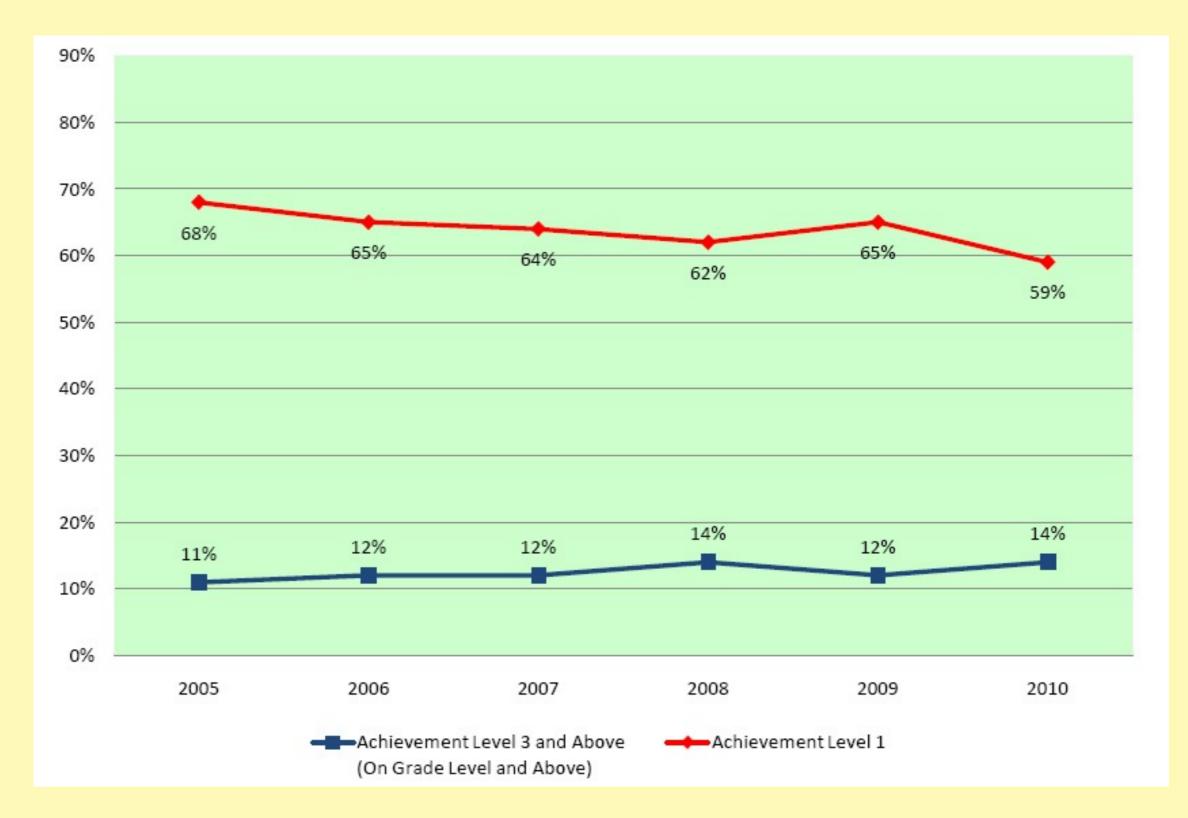


#### 2010 FCAT Science Students with Disabilities Grade 8



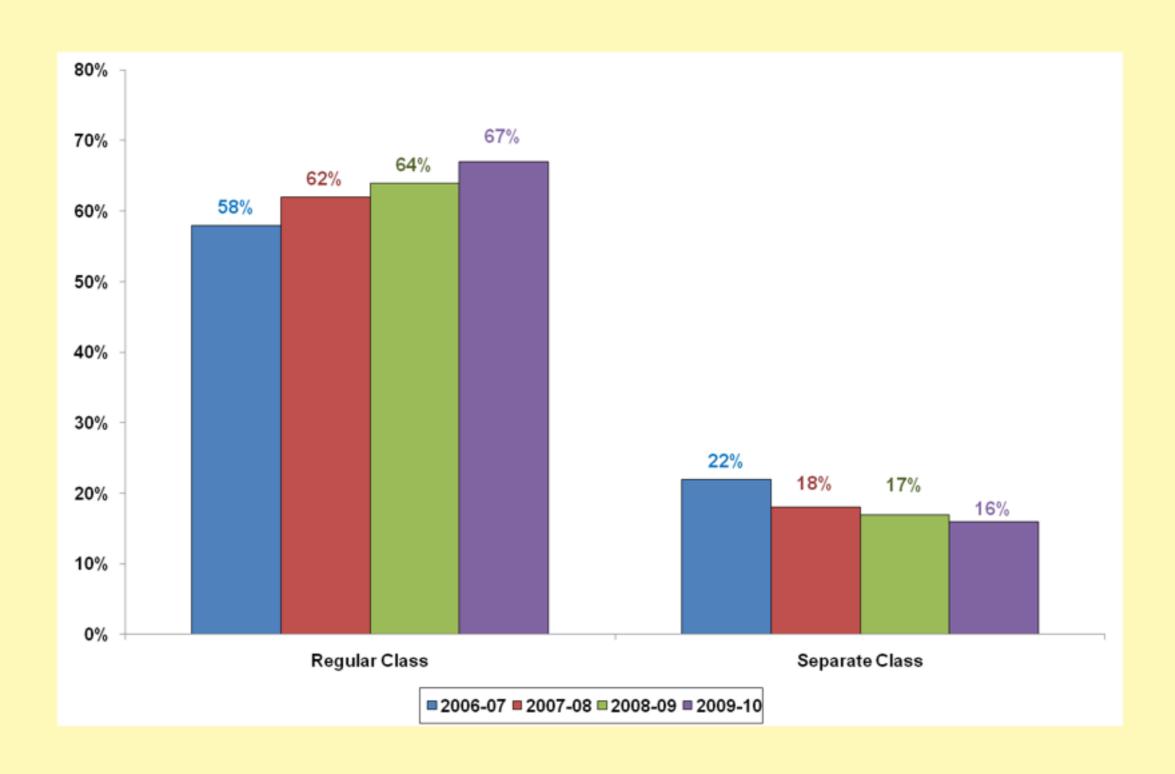


#### 2010 FCAT Science Students with Disabilities Grade 11





### Least Restrictive Environment Students with Disabilities Ages 6-21



## State of the State Students with Disabilities



#### Successes

- The population of students identified as disabled is in overall decline
- Trend data show overall increases in student
   FCAT scores grades 3-10 in reading math, and science
- More students with disabilities are being served in the regular class; fewer are being served in separate classes



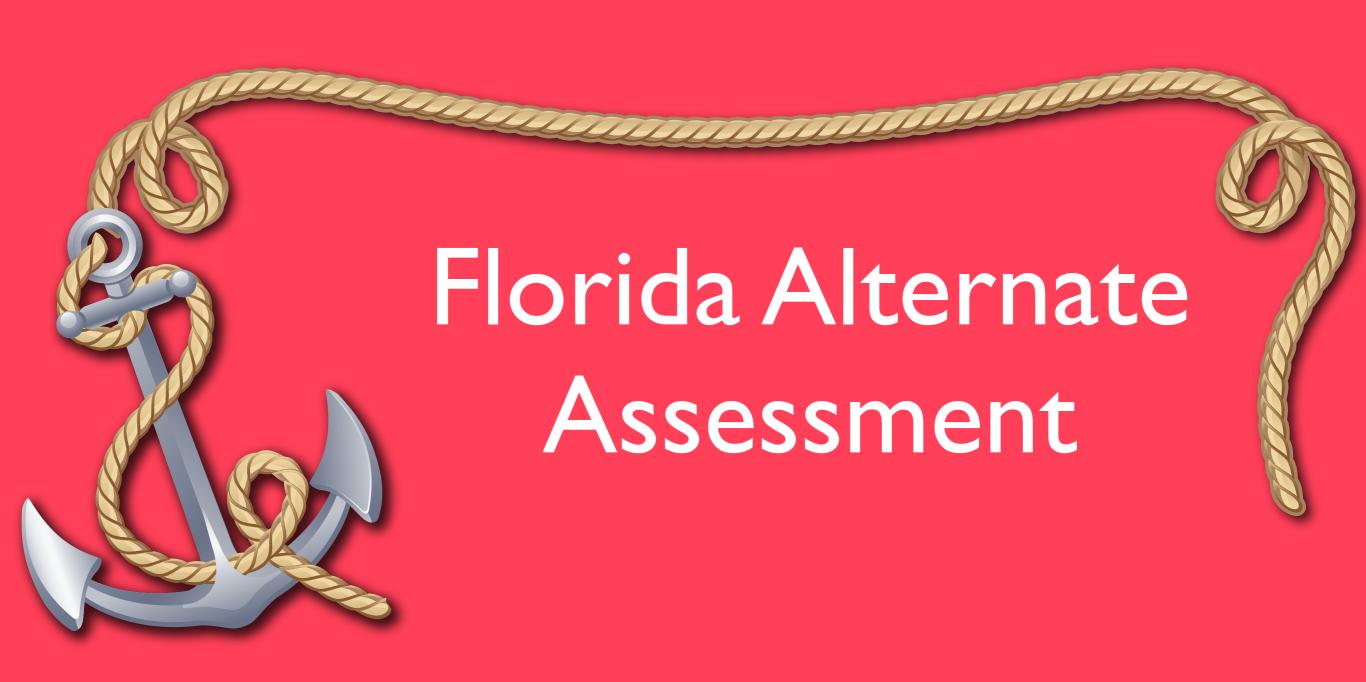
## State of the State Students with Disabilities



#### Concerns

- Student FCAT reading scores remained flat for 2010
- The population of students identified with autism spectrum disorders continues to grow at a rapid pace





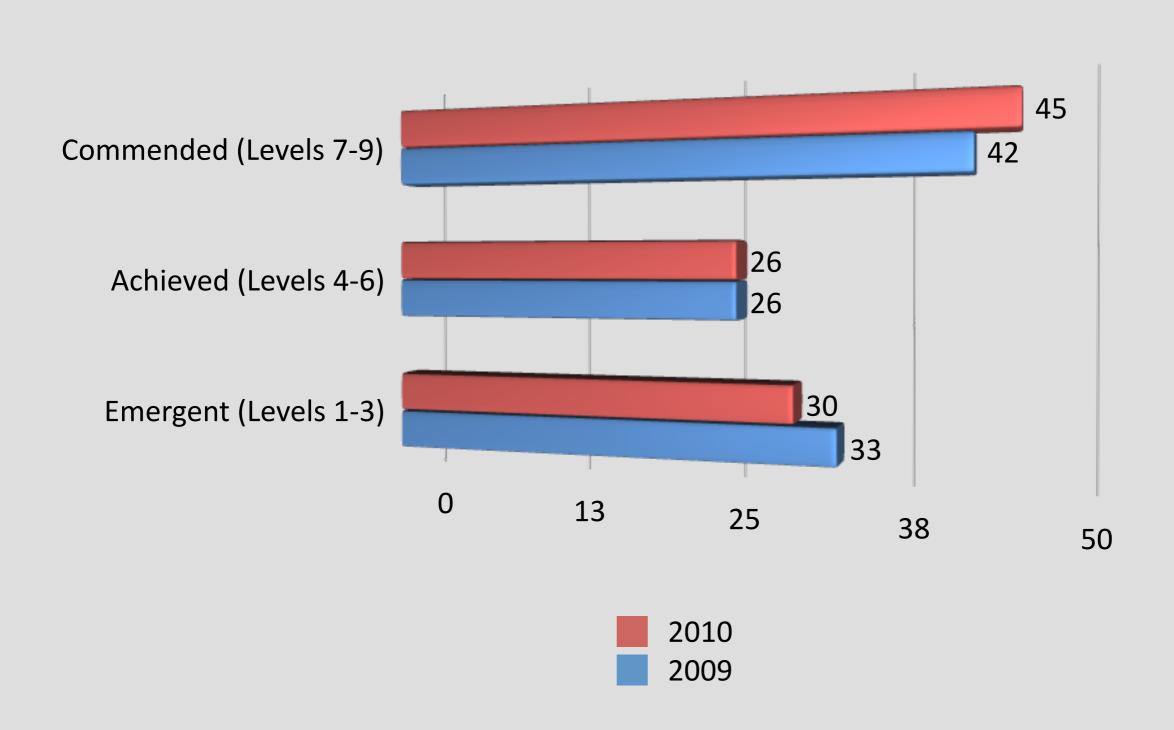
### Results by Academic Area



- Reading 2010 (2009)\*
  - Emergent = 30% (33%)
  - Achieved = 26% (26%)
  - Commended = 45% (42%)

\* Percentages have been rounded and therefore may not sum to exactly 100%

### Reading Results



### Results by Academic Area

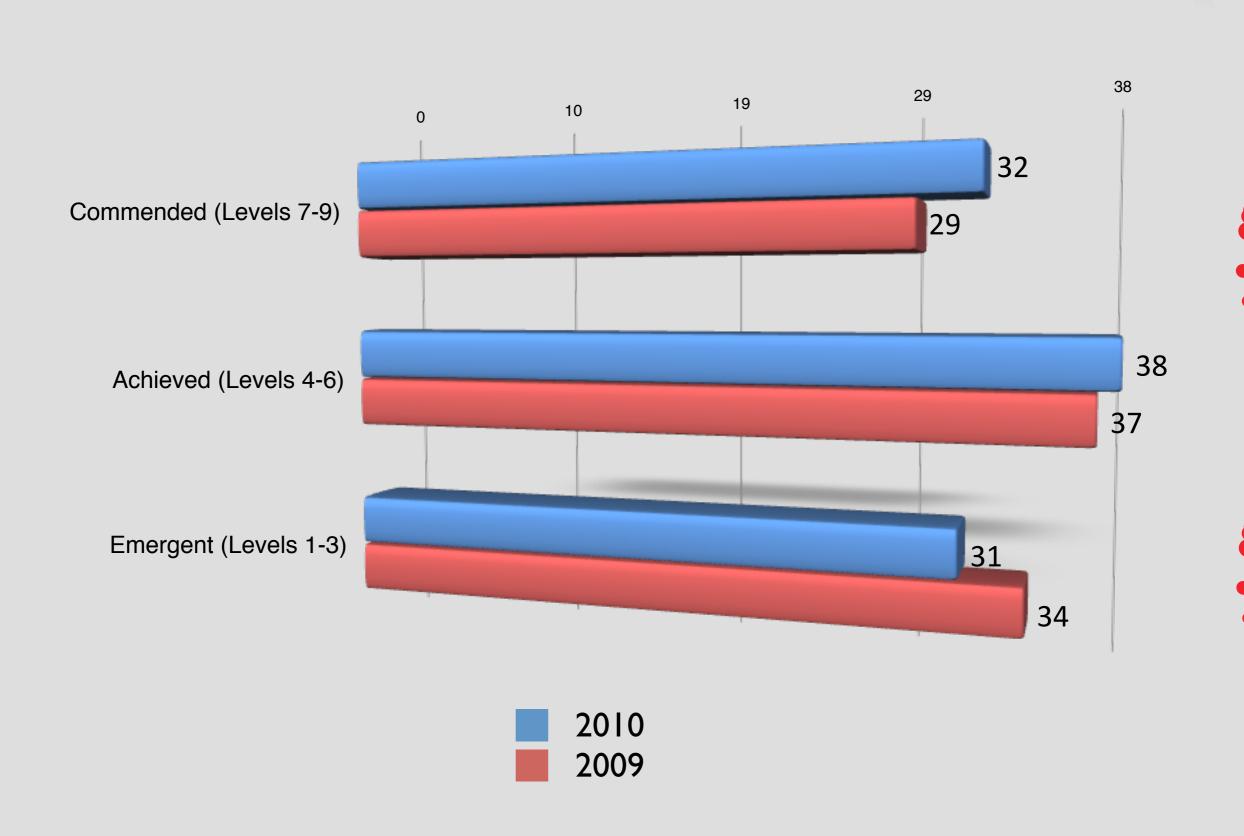


- Mathematics 2010 (2009)\*
  - Emergent = 31% (34%)
  - Achieved = 38% (37%)
  - Commended = 32% (29%)

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### Mathematics Results

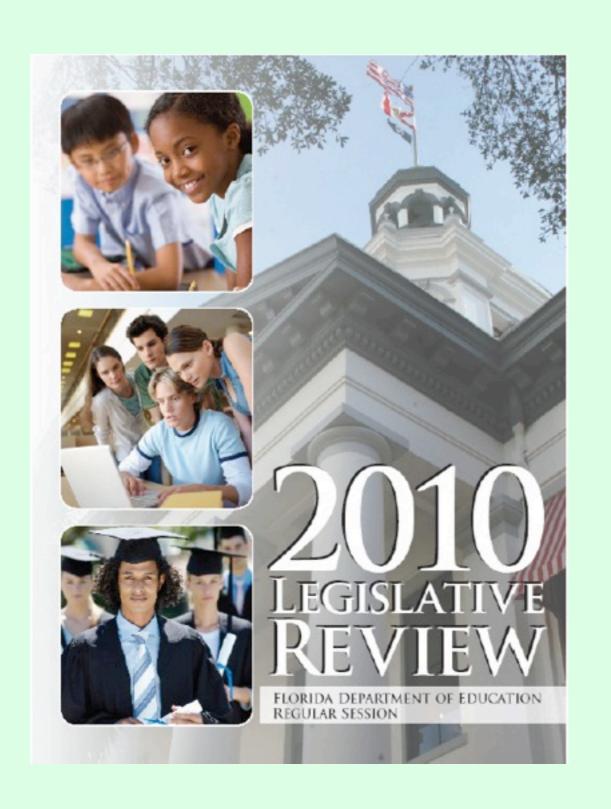




Charting the Course

### 2010 Legislative Review

www.fldoe.org/gr/pdf/Legislative-Review-Book.pdf



# Senate Bill 4 Education Accountability



- Students with disabilities must take End of Course (EOC) Exams
- Section 1003.428,(8)(b)2., F.S., permits IEP teams to determine that an EOC cannot accurately measure the students abilities, taking into consideration allowable accommodations, shall have the results waived for purpose of determining grade and credit



### House Bill 1073



Section 1003.573, F.S.

- Revising Restraint/Seclusion and Time-out Technical Assistance Papers (TAPs)
- FDOE Reports from web-based system

Section 1012.582, F.S.

Identify professional development resources



### Section 1012.582, F.S.

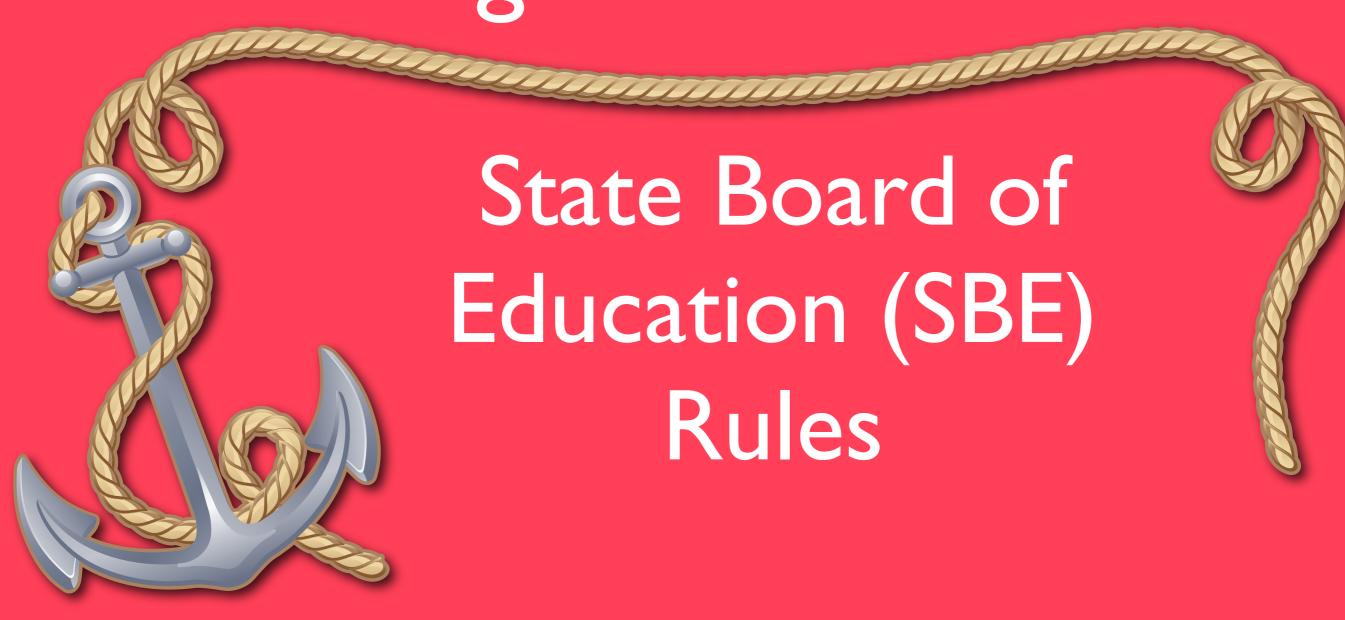


#### Status:

- Stakeholder workgroup August 31, 2010
- Collected and analyzed information provided by stakeholders on existing professional development
- Identified "gaps"



### Navigational Tools



### SBE Rules in Process



- Graduation Requirements for Certain Students with Disabilities (6A-1.09961)
- Hospital Homebound (6A-6.03020)
- Physical Therapy (6A-6.03024)
- Occupational Therapy (6A-6.03025)
- Prekindergarten Disabilities (6A-6.03026)
- Established Conditions (6A.6.03030)
- Developmentally Delayed Birth to Three (6A-6.03031)

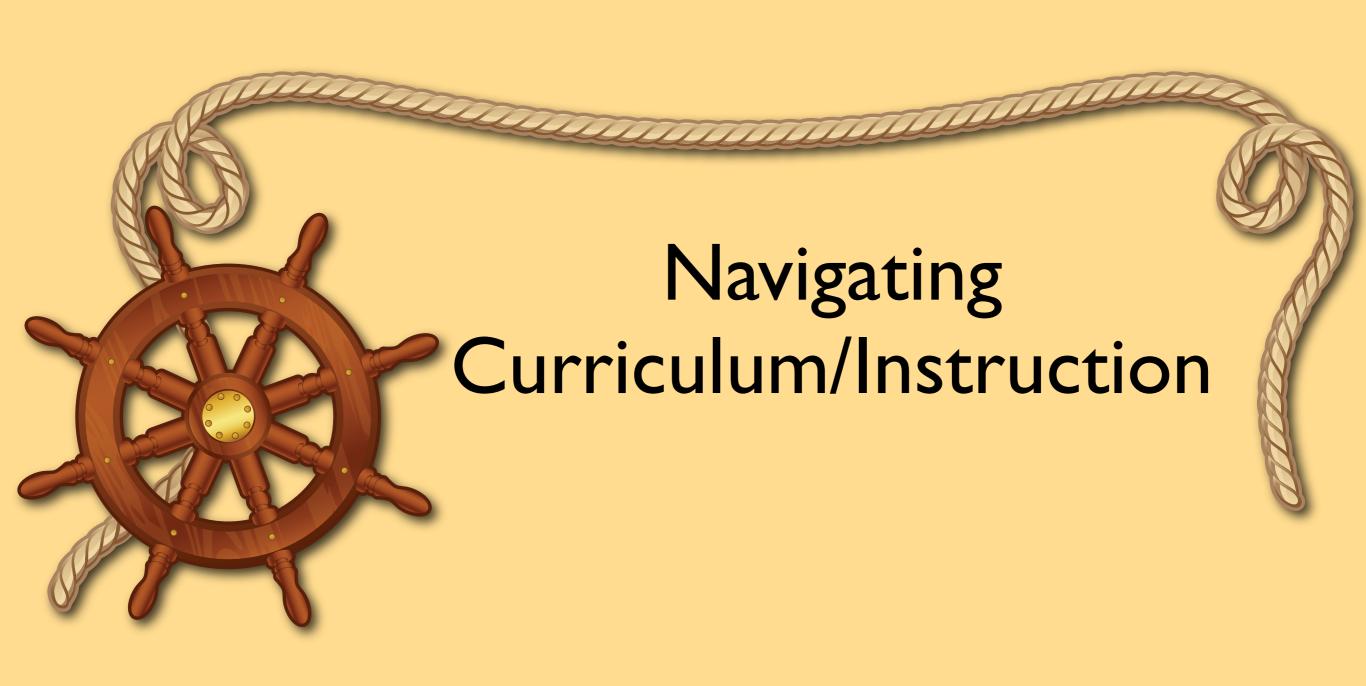


### SBE Rules in Process



- Use of Epinephrine Auto-Injectors (6A-6.025 I)
- Surrogate Parents (6A-6.0333)
- Discipline Procedures for Students with Disabilities (6A-6.03312)
- General Education Intervention Procedures, Identification, Evaluation, Reevaluation and the Initial Provision of Exceptional Education (6A-6.0331)
- Contractual Arrangements with Nonpublic Schools (6A-6.0361)





#### Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook Secondary Counseling for Students with Disabilities



- Differences between IDEA, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Students' rights and responsibilities in postsecondary education
- Counseling tips for assisting high school students with disabilities
- Financial aid information
- Links to relevant websites
- www.FACTS.org (under Counselors and Educators, Advising Manuals)



#### Common Core State Standards (CCSS)



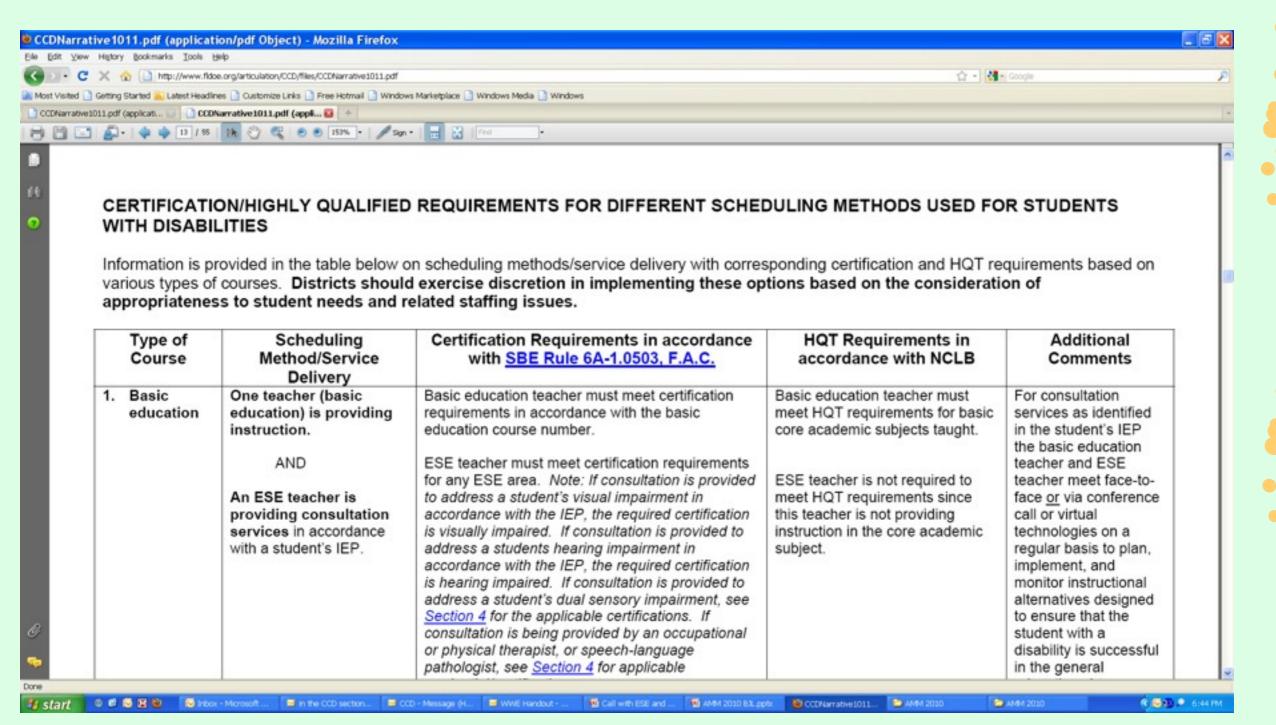
- Adopted by the Florida SBE on July 27, 2010
- Full implementation: 2012-13
- Assessment: 2014-15
- Inclusive of students with disabilities and English Language Learners (ELL)

http://www.corestandards.org/the-standards



### Course Code Directory (CCD)





## Timeframe for ESE Academic CCD Course Deletion



- Elementary courses deleted 2011-2012
- Middle school courses deleted 2012-2013

- High school courses deleted 2014-2015
  - Incoming 9th graders for the 2010-2011 school year will be the last cohort that can use the ESE 9-12 courses.



#### Proposed Access Courses



#### Currently working on Social Studies

#### **Middle School**

- World History
- Civics
- American History

#### **High School**

- World History
- American History
- Government
- Economics



#### 2010-11 ESE – CTE Course Changes



#### The following courses will be deleted:

- 7980040 Agriculture Education
- 7980050 Business Technology Education
- 7980060 Diversified Education
- 7980070 Health Science Education
- 7980080 Family and Consumer Science Education
- 7980090 Industrial Education
- 7980100 Marketing Education



#### 2010-11 ESE – CTE Course Changes



Replace deleted courses with 7980030 – Job Preparatory Education



#### Next Steps



 Update documents to align with the changes in the CCD for 2010-11

- Access Courses anticipated development schedule
  - Summer 2010 Social Studies
  - Spring 2011 Language Arts and Math (as needed)
  - Spring 2011 PE and Health

### Tightening the Hatches



#### Computer-based Testing



- Fall 2010 retakes paper/pencil
- Spring 2011 computer-based
  - Algebra I EOC
  - Grade 10 FCAT Mathematics
  - Grade 10 FCAT Mathematics Retakes
- Spring 2011 FCAT Reading Retakes may be pencil/paper or computer-based
- Computer-based testing system, TestNav 6.9



# Captain's Inspection SPP/APR LEA Determinations

#### Balancing Results and Compliance



The primary focus of Federal and State monitoring activities shall be on –

- improving education RESULTS and functional OUTCOMES for all children with disabilities
- ensuring that States meet the program requirements, with emphasis on those most related to improving results



#### SPP/APR Clusters



- Indicators 1, 2, 13, and 14
  - Graduation rate, dropout rate, transition IEPs, and post school outcomes
- Indicators 3, 4, and 5
  - Participation and Performance in state
     assessment, suspension/expulsion, and LRE (6-21)
- Indicators 6, 7, and 12
  - LRE (3-5), early childhood outcomes, and
     C to B transition



#### SPP Indicator 3/4/5 Cluster News:



17 exemplar districts were identified, indicating that they have:

- Highest rates of performance on assessments
- Lowest rates of suspension and expulsion
- Highest rates of inclusion



#### 3/4/5 Exemplar Districts are:



- Broward
- Clay
- Collier
- Gilchrist
- Glades
- Gulf
- Nassau
- Okaloosa

- St. Johns
- Seminole
- Sumter
- Wakulla
- Walton
- FAU Lab
- FSU Lab
- UF Lab



## Educational Environment and Indicator 20



 Accurate reporting of educational environment by age

 For public reporting (LEA profile) less than 100% will mean a N for indicator 20

 For LEA determinations substantial compliance (95% accuracy) will apply





### Self-Assessment Summary: 2009-10



- Most challenging standards
  - Present levels of academic achievement and functional performance
  - Annual goals and short-term objectives or benchmarks
  - Alignment among present levels, annuals goals, and services
  - **SPP 13**



### Self-Assessment Summary: 2009-10



#### Notable results

- IEP team did not consider the concerns of the parent
  - **–** 63.6% (7/11 districts)
- IEP team did not consider the need for positive behavioral interventions . . .
  - **20.4%** (11/54 districts)
- Progress reports not provided as indicated on the IEP
  - 20.4% (11/54 districts)

### Self-Assessment Summary: 2009-10



#### Notable results

- Parent did not receive written notice a reasonable amount of time before the meeting
  - **–** 13.3% (6/45 districts)
- Required IEP team members were not present at the meeting
  - **–** 13% (7/54 districts)
- Notice did not include a listing of the persons invited to the meeting
  - 11.1% (5/45 districts)
- IEP was not reviewed and revised at least annually to address lack of progress, results of reevaluation, or other changes
  - II.1% (6/54 districts)



### Monitoring 2010-11



- Level I Self-assessment by all districts
  - **SPP 13**
  - Matrix of services
  - DJJ facilities, if any
  - IEPs



### Monitoring 2010-11



- Level 2 Self-assessment by targeted districts
  - Newly targeted for improvement planning
    - SPP 3/4/5 Fall Cycle
    - SPP 1/2/13/14 and SPP 9/10 Spring Cycle
  - Continuously targeted for three or more years and in 2010-11



### Monitoring 2010-11



- Level 3 On-site monitoring of selected districts (Pasco, Martin, Okeechobee, Suwannee, Polk, Monroe, Collier, Sarasota, Escambia, Hillsborough, Osceola, Palm Beach)
  - Matrix: Exceeding the state rate for 254 and/or 255
  - Pattern of poor performance on one or more indicators
  - PS/Rtl applied to ESE eligibility determinations
    - Districts selected for one of the above
    - Pilot or volunteer districts



#### Correction of Noncompliance



#### Clarification from OSEP:

- "Two prongs" of correction of noncompliance
  - District has corrected each individual incident of noncompliance
  - District is correctly implementing the specific regulatory requirements (i.e., achieved 100% compliance), based on the State's review of updated data



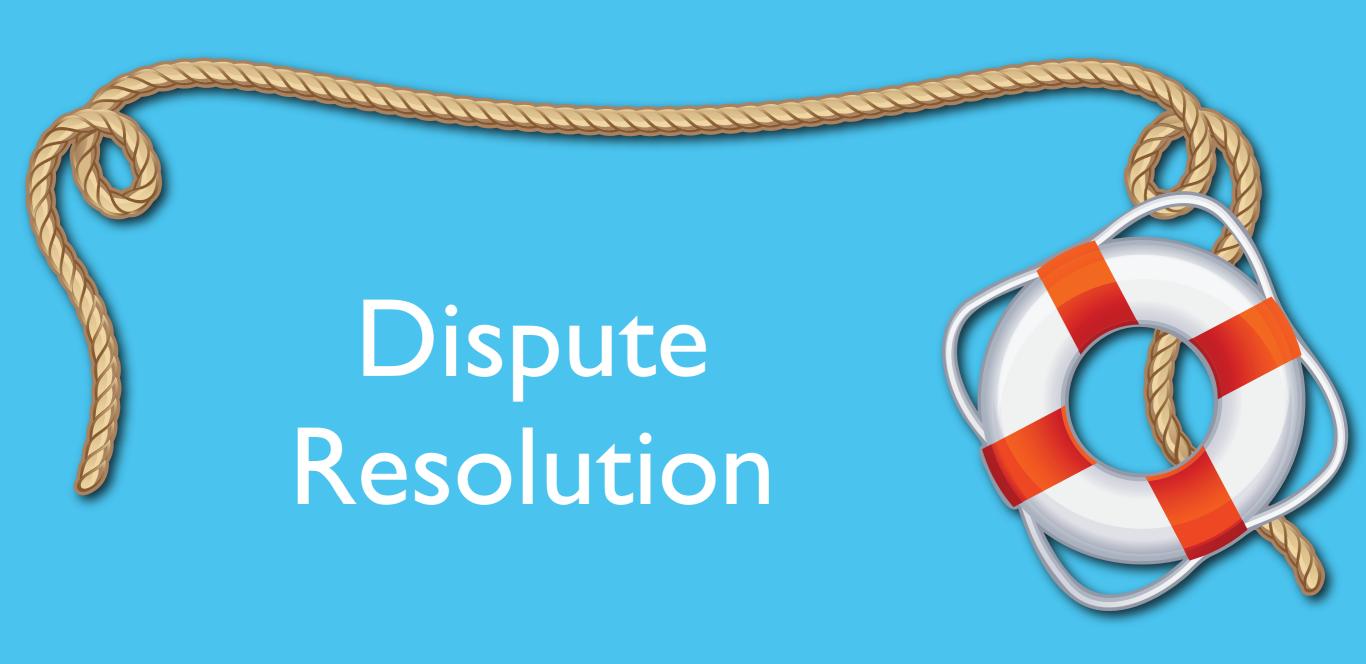
#### Correction of Noncompliance



### May States use "thresholds" for correction of noncompliance?

No, States must obtain updated data that reflect 100% compliance before a State can conclude and report that noncompliance has been corrected. Updated data can be:

- For less than the entire reporting period (window)
- A subset of all students (sample)



## State Complaint Investigations July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010

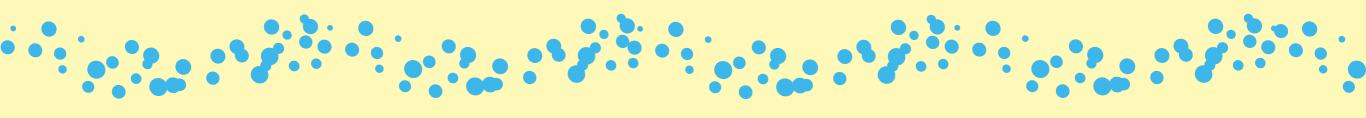


- Total # filed 101
  - Ordered 61
    - Within 60-day timeline 100%
  - **■** Closed 37
    - No jurisdiction, withdrawn; resolved locally, mediation requested, due process filed
  - Pending 3
- Findings of noncompliance 34



Who can file a complaint? Rule 6A-6.03311(5)

#### Common Compliant Issues



- IEP development
- IEP implementation
- Teacher qualifications
- Behavior and discipline
- Evaluation/Reevaluation



#### **Professional Development Alternatives**

(formerly known as PDA-ESE)

Funded by Florida Department of Education Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services



www.pda-ese.org

## Florida's Strategic Instruction Model® (SIM) Initiative



SIM Content Enhancement Routines and Learning Strategies are based on the work of Dr. Don Deshler and the Kansas Center for Research on Learning (KUCRL).

Local and Regional offerings scheduled for 2010-2011. Please check <a href="http://fdlrshrd.nefec.org/SIM.aspx">http://fdlrshrd.nefec.org/SIM.aspx</a> for additional information or call 386-312-2265.



#### Tuition Support Programs

Autism Endorsement

http://www.florida-ese.org/asdendorsement/

PreK Disabilities Endorsement

http://www.florida-ese.org/prekendorsement/

Para-to-Teacher

http://www.florida-ese.org/paratoteacher/

Speech/Language Pathology Master's Degree

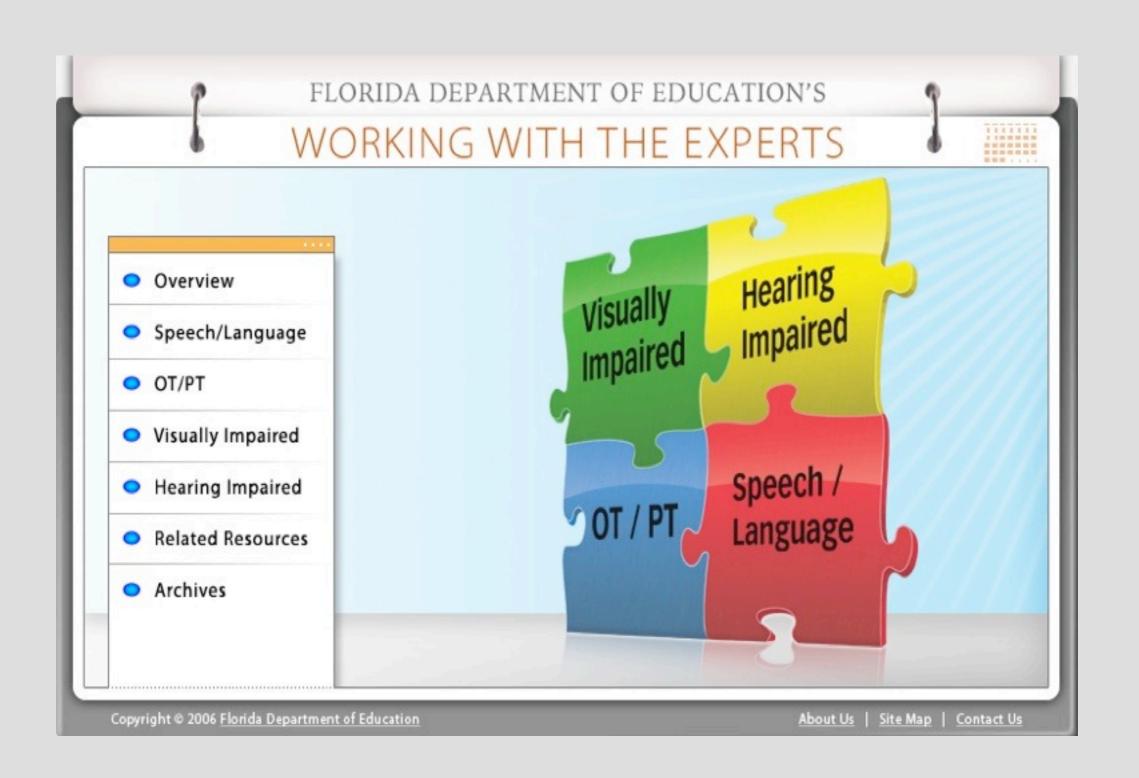
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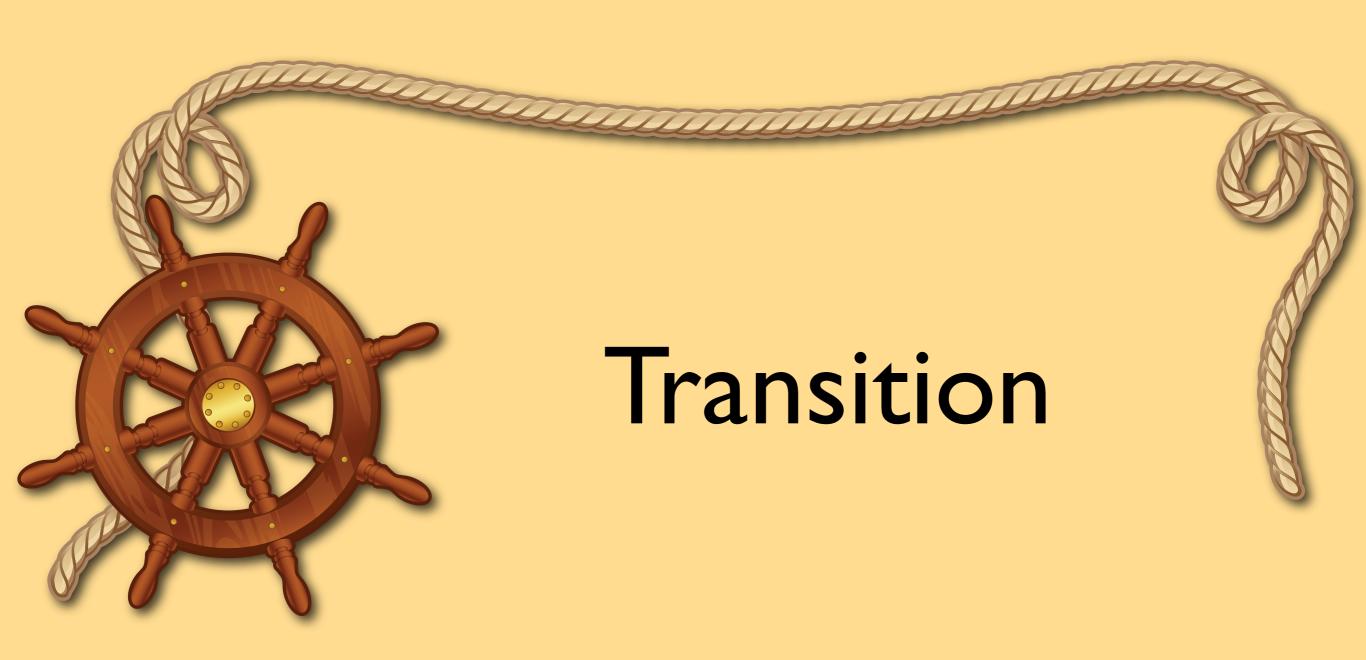
## Autism Spectrum Disorders Distance Learning Program



www.florida-ese.org/asddistancelearning

### Working with the Experts





#### Project 10



- Developing Online Training Modules
  - Secondary Transition and Compliance
  - Transition Assessment
  - Summary of Performance
- Website
  - District Resources (all 67 school districts)
  - Promising Practices (Junior High/Middle Schools, High School, 18-22 Programs, Postsecondary)

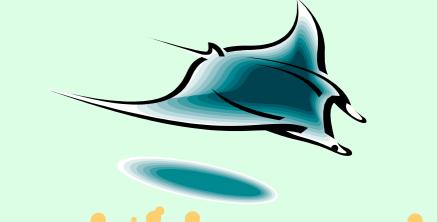


## Secondary Transition and Compliance New Online Course





## Project **I 0**STING RAY What is it?



- Offers young adults with cognitive disabilities, ages 18-22, an opportunity to experience life on a college campus while developing independent living and employability skills.
- Community-based collaboration:
  - Pinellas County School District
  - Florida Department of Education
  - Governor's Commission on Disabilities
  - University of South Florida St. Petersburg, and Project 10

#### Goals



Develop a sustainable and replicable model

 Develop a curriculum framework that can be used at either a 2 or 4 year setting with the outcome of substantial, gainful employment and mastery of independent living skills

Employability Readiness Certificate





#### **Future Shifts**



- LEARN Act
  - Literacy core for the reauthorization of ESEA

http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=III\_cong\_bills&docid=f:s2740is.txt.pdf

- Blueprint for Reform 2010
  - Blueprint for the reauthorization of ESEA

http://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/blueprint/blueprint.pdf

#### 2010-11 Project Outlook



- Modified focus: direct training of pilot schools and statewide school leadership team training to direct support of district leadership teams to build district capacity to implement Rtl
- Initiate Secondary Rtl Initiative
- Development of an evidence-based coaching model
- Adding secondary mathematics and literacy resources/personnel



#### Math and Science Model Lessons Series

