



Rule Development Workshop
Rule 6A-1.09952, F.A.C.
Requirements for the Florida Seal of Fine Arts

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Agenda

Part 1

Overview of
Proposed
Revisions to
Rule 6A-1.09952,
F.A.C.

Part 2

Clarifying
Questions and
Comments

Input and Participation

During the Workshop

- Input and comments may be made via the webinar platform.
 - Provide your name and affiliation.
 - Comments may be timed to allow all who wish to speak the opportunity to do so.

Following the Workshop

- Input and comments may be mailed, emailed or provided online at <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules/Default.aspx>.

Input and Participation

Types of Input We Are Seeking

- Suggestions for changes or agreement with specific text in the rule (e.g., keep this..., delete this..., add this..., change this to read...).
 - To the extent that you can, provide the “why.” This will help us with context and tracking that same issue in other parts of the rule.
- Comments on whether the rule text actually accomplishes what the law or presentation indicates is intended.

Rule Adoption Timeline

June 2025: Notice of Rule Development published

June 2025: Workshop and input on draft text

June 2025: Review public comments and revise rule text

July 2025: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking published

August 2025: State Board meeting for possible rule adoption



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**Part 1:
Overview of Rule 6A-1.09952, F.A.C.**

Rule 6A-1.09952, F.A.C., Requirements for the Florida Seal of Fine Arts

- On February 14, 2024, the Florida Legislature passed House Bill 523, Florida Seal of Fine Arts Program, to encourage fine arts students to develop expertise in the performing or visual arts.
- The bill was signed into law on April 2, 2024, and went into effect on July 1, 2024.
- This new rule in 2024 then set forth specific requirements and specific documentation to recognize high school graduates who have met exemplary benchmarks in fine arts coursework.

Subsections of the Rule

1	Purpose
2	Definitions
3	Criteria for Eligibility
4	Portfolio Option
5	Insignia
6	School District Reporting
7	Documents Incorporated by Reference

Authority for Rule 6A-1.09952, F.A.C.

Section 1003.4321, F.S., Florida Seal of Fine Arts

- Requires that beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, the Florida Seal of Fine Arts shall be awarded to a high school student who has earned a standard high school diploma; successfully completed at least three year-long courses in dance, music, theatre, or the visual arts with a grade of “A” or higher in each course or earned three sequential course credits in such courses with a grade of “A” or higher in each course pursuant to Rule 6A-1.09441, F.A.C.; and meets a minimum of two of the following requirements:

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1. Successfully completes a fine arts International Baccalaureate, advanced placement, dual enrollment or honors course in the subjects listed in this paragraph with a grade of “B” or higher.
2. Participates in a district or statewide organization’s juried event as a selected student participant for 2 or more years.
3. Records at least 25 volunteer hours of arts-related community service in his or her community and presents a comprehensive presentation on his or her experiences.

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Section 1003.4321, F.S., Florida Seal of Fine Arts

4. Meets the requirements of a portfolio-based program identifying the student as an exemplary practitioner of the fine arts.
5. Receives district, state or national recognition for the creation and submission of an original work of art. The term “work of art” means a musical or theatrical composition, visual artwork, or choreographed routine or performance.

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(3) Criteria for Eligibility. Districts may use incorporated form entitled “Florida Seal of Fine Arts Eligibility Form” (Form FA-1). Beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, the Florida Seal of Fine Arts shall be awarded to a high school student who has earned a standard high school diploma; successfully completed at least three year-long courses in dance, music, theatre or the visual arts with a grade of “A” or higher in each course, or earned three sequential course credits in such courses with a grade of “A” or higher in each course; and meets a minimum of two of the following requirements:

1. Successfully completes a fine arts International Baccalaureate, an Advanced International Certificate of Education, Advanced Placement, dual enrollment or honors course in the subjects listed in the paragraph above with a grade of “B” or higher;
2. Participates in a district or statewide organization’s juried event as a selected student participant for two or more years. Districts may use form entitled “Florida Seal of Fine Arts Statement” (Form FA-3);
3. Records at least 25 volunteer hours of arts-related community service in his or her community and presents a comprehensive presentation on his or her experiences. Districts may use form entitled “Florida Seal of Fine Arts Volunteer Hour Tracker” (Form FA-4);
4. Meets the requirements of a portfolio-based program identifying the student as an exemplary practitioner of the fine arts. Districts must use the rubric entitled “Florida Seal of Fine Arts Portfolio Rubric” (Form FA-2) to determine portfolio eligibility;
5. Receives district, state or national recognition for the creation and submission of an original work of art. An original work of art is one created by the student.

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Forms to be incorporated into Rule 6A-1.09952, F.A.C.:

- Florida Seal of Fine Arts Eligibility Form (Form FA-1)
- Florida Seal of Fine Arts Portfolio Rubric (Form FA-2)
- Florida Seal of Fine Arts Affidavit (Form FA-3)
- Florida Seal of Fine Arts Volunteer Hour Tracker (Form FA-4)



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Part 2: Clarifying Questions and Comments

Questions and Comments

- How to submit:
 - Use the chat feature; or
 - Unmute and share comment/question.
- Questions and comments will be captured for further review and consideration.
- State Board Rules Under Review site:
<https://web02.fldoe.org/Rules/Default.aspx>



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