



MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 14, 2023
TO: Florida State Board of Education, Division of Florida Colleges, Division of Career and Adult Education, District Technical Colleges, and Local Workforce Development Boards
FROM: Dan McGrew, Senior Vice President, Workforce Program Development
SUBJECT: Credentials Review Committee Implementation of Senate Bill 240 relating to Credentials with Provisional Status on the Master Credentials List

Senate Bill 240 was signed into law by Governor Ron DeSantis on May 15, 2023, and went into effect on July 1, 2023. The legislation revised 445.004(4)(h)7c Florida Statutes to state that the Credentials Review Committee shall establish a process for “phasing out credentials on the Master Credentials List that no longer meet the Framework of Quality. Credentials must remain on the list for at least 1 year after identification for removal.”

Upon the availability of updated labor market data in the summer of 2023, the [2023-2024 Master Credentials List](#) will be reevaluated against the [Framework of Quality](#) to create the initial 2024-2025 Master Credentials List. As a result of this evaluation, degree and non-degree credentials that do not meet the Framework of Quality will be identified for removal from the Master Credentials List. Per Florida Statutes, any credential identified for removal will remain on the Master Credentials List throughout the 2024-2025 year and be removed on July 1, 2025.

The 2023-2024 Master Credentials List currently contains several degree and non-degree credentials that were granted a provisional status for failing to meet either the demand or wage criteria identified in the Framework of Quality. These credentials **WILL NOT** be removed from the 2024-2025 Master Credentials List. To comply with the new law, provisional credentials that are determined to not meet the Framework of Quality during the summer 2023 evaluation will be identified for removal and remain on the list for one year. Accordingly, these identified credentials will be included on the 2024-2025 Master Credentials List through June 30, 2025.

The initial 2024-2025 Master Credentials List will be presented to the Credentials Review Committee in February 2024, with preliminary results from the labor market data evaluation available at the August 2023 Credentials Review Committee Meeting. The initial 2024-2025 Master Credentials List will serve as the basis for the Department of Education’s 2024-2025 Career and Professional Education (CAPE) Industry Certification Funding List. Eligible applicants seeking the addition of new credentials for inclusion on the initial 2024-2025 Master Credentials List will have until September 30, 2023, to apply. **School districts or Florida College System institutions seeking eligibility for Career and Professional Education (CAPE) secondary or post-**



secondary funding for the 2024-2025 year must submit applications by September 30, 2023.

Thank you for your continued partnership. Please address questions to mcl@careersourceflorida.com.

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