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October 26, 2011

The Honorable Mike Haridopolos, President
The Florida Senate
409, The Capitol
404 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

Re: Compliance report pursuant to Section 120.74, Florida Statutes

Dear Mr. President:

This report is being provided pursuant to and in compliance with the requirements set forth in Section 120.74 Florida Statute. Said statute requires that each agency shall formally review its rules every two years to:

- a. identify and correct deficiencies in its rules
- b. clarify and simplify rules
- c. delete obsolete and amend unnecessary rules
- d. delete rules that are redundant of statutes
- e. improve efficiency, decrease paperwork or decrease costs; and
- f. coordinate rulemaking with jurisdictions with which we have overlapping jurisdiction

This is to certify that the requirements set forth in the statute have been met, and are met on a yearly basis with such review being undertaken immediately following the end of each legislative session and associated action by the Governor. The changes made to our rules since 2009, as a result of said review, are attached to this letter (Attachment A).

We have no recommended statutory changes.

There are no cases of disputes in which this agency is involved which should be conducted under the summary hearing process described in Section 120.574, Florida Statutes. The cases and disputes common to the School Board are employee discipline cases, ESE placement disputes, student expulsions and bid protests, which are customarily resolved through the formal hearing process.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben H. Wortham", is written over a horizontal line.

Ben H. Wortham
Superintendent of Schools

BHW:lc
Attachment

cc: All Members of the Legislative Review Committee

SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY
POLICY CHANGES
(October, 2009-September, 2011)

Policy

Nbr. Policy Title

2.33 Volunteers (12/17/09)

This policy change is needed in order to clarify the authority vested in the school principal with regard to the qualification and/or disqualification of individual volunteers within the school system.

4.06 Student Assignment (04/15/10)

This policy states that the Superintendent, or his designee, is authorized to assign a student to any school or program if deemed to be in the best interest of the student or the district.

4.12 Health and Safety (04/15/10)

This policy clarifies that no medicine will be administered to student enrolled in the Career and Technical Education Child Care Center unless it is for a life threatening condition.

2.02 Application/Recruitment (05/20/10)

This amendment will clarify the policy regarding recruitment, screening, selection and appointment procedures for applicants who are veterans.

2.04 Employment Procedures for Teachers (05/20/10)

This amendment will clarify the policy regarding recruitment, screening, selection and appointment procedures for applicants who are veterans.

2.05 Screening, Selection and Appointment of Administrators (05/20/10)

This amendment will clarify the policy regarding recruitment, screening, selection and appointment procedures for applicants who are veterans.

6.01 Pre-Qualification of Contractors (05/20/10)

This amendment will update policy for Pre-Qualification of Contractors as required by Chapter 1013.46 Florida Statutes and Department of Education State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF), update references and clarify renewal language.

4.07 Student Admission and Enrollment (08/19/10)

The changes set forth are necessary to bring Board policy in line with the Student Progression Plan.

2.26 *Evaluations* (09/16/10)

The Clay County Human Resources Management Development Plan is being revised based on the Florida Leadership Standards to implement a new appraisal system for school-based administrators. School Board Policy is being amended to provide congruence with the HRMD Plan.

1.13 *Teen Dating Violence and Abuse* (12/16/10) - New

The creation of this policy fulfills requirements of law regarding developing a policy on Dating Violence and Abuse.

2.07 *Prerequisites for Salary Payment* (12/16/10)

The amendment of this policy delegates authority to terminate employees within a 97 day probationary period, to the superintendent, subject to notice to and ratification by the Board.

2.36 *Firearms and Chemical Weapons* (12/16/10) - New

The creation of this policy prohibits possession of firearms on school property and allows employee possession of small size chemical spray weapons for personal defense.

4.64 *Service Animals* (06/16/11) - New

As required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, 28 CFR Part 35, an amendment to Federal Law requires creation of a policy regarding the use of service animals.

2.26 *Evaluations* (06/16/11)

This policy is being amended in order to comply with changes to state law.

5.08 *Food and Nutrition Services* (08/18/11)

Amendments to Florida Statute 1006.06(5) require that the Board create policy which provides for free breakfast to all students in each elementary, junior high and high school at which 80% or more of the students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.