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The Honorable Ken Pruitt, President
1850 SW Fountainview Blvd., Suite 200
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Dear Mr. President:

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- b. clarify and simplify rules
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- 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 2005, as a result of said review, are attached to this letter (Attachment A).

There are no cases of disputes in which this agency is involved which would be conducted under the summary hearing process described in Section 120.574, Florida Statute. 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.

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SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY
POLICY CHANGES
2005-2007

<u>Policy Number</u>	<u>Policy Title</u>
4.01	<u>Attendance/Truancy</u> Clarifies that children ages 3 to school age, in the care of Division of children and Families and are accepted and enrolled in a licensed early education or child care program, are required to attend 5 days per week unless the court approves a modified schedule.
4.31	<u>Special Education Programs</u> Permits the use of Seclusion Time-Out Rooms with parent permission.
4.02	<u>Student Attendance Records</u> Gives schools the option to establish the designated period of the day in which attendance is recorded. FS 1000.21 does not address student attendance records.
4.28	<u>School Trips - Transporting Students</u> Provides staff work and back materials for athletic playoffs to be approved several weeks after they have been taken when prior Board approval for overnight travel is not possible.
6.01	<u>Educational & Ancillary Facilities</u> Establishes life-span and circumstances for use of relocatable facilities.
1.02	<u>The District School Board</u> Establishes the format and time lines of the School Board agenda.
2.17	<u>Discipline</u> Harassment policy expanded to include faculty and staff, and the words "sexual orientation".
5.02	<u>General Policies (Travel)</u> Establish travel reimbursement at the current Federal (IRS) Reimbursement Rate.
4.57	<u>Parent Involvement and Accountability</u> Establish involvement of Title I Program in the Parent Involvement Plan.
4.26	<u>Solicitation/Interviewing of Students, Teachers or Parents</u> Establish restrictions for solicitation/interviewing of students

- 5.08 **Food and Nutrition Services**
Establish a federally required Employee and Student Wellness Program.
- 2.00 **Human Resources**
Incorporate new on-line application guidelines.
- 4.01 **Attendance/Tuancy**
Clarify accumulated unexcused tardy and early departure time as required, for possible legal action.
- 4.06 **Student Assignment**
Clarification of standards for students requesting special school assignments.
- 4.07 **Student Admission and Enrollment**
Changed location of information within current policy.
- 4.16 **Release of Student During School Day**
One word change: from “will not” to “may”, as it relates to legal parental custody.
- 4.43 **Athletics-Interscholastics**
Clarification of participation as it relates to individuals compliance with eligibility standards.
- 5.02 **General Policies (Travel)**
Update rates of per diem and subsistence allowance.
- 1.02 **The District School Board**
Establish guidelines for Board members’ meeting attendance by electronic media.
- 5.08 **Food and Nutrition Services**
Clarify and update a federally required Employee and Student Wellness Program.
- 6.01 **Educational and Ancillary Facilities**
Update language relating to conformity with Florida Building Code.
- 5.03 **Financial Accounting Policies and Procedures**
Increase in value level of property to be inventoried or disposed of.
- 6.01 **Educational and Ancillary Facilities**
New policy related to use of Construction Management Program.
- 2.18 **Retiree Reduction of Insurance Premium Benefit**
Clarify retiree benefit relating to insurance premium reduction.

4.61

School Request of Payment from Students

New policy establishing provisions for reasonable and acceptable request for payment from students regarding activities over and above regular curriculum, i.e. field trips, take home projects, supplemental books and materials, cap and gown sales/rentals, extracurricular activities rental and cleaning of uniforms, student loses/damages, lockers, parking fees, etc.