

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD

RULE TITLE: Hernando County School Board Policies

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The handbooks/manuals sets forth standards for the operation of the Hernando County School Board. The purpose for revising these handbook/manuals is to align the content to reflect applicable statutory language and incorporate best practices regarding the subject matter herein.

SUMMARY OF RULE: The following revisions are expected to receive tentative approval at the 05/20/25 Workshop:

Review & Tentative Approval of the Student Code of Conduct, Staff Handbook, and Neola Special Update

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Section 1001.41; 1001.42; and 1001.43 Florida Statutes.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Sections, §1001.41; §1001.42; 1001.43; and 1006.22 Fla. Stat. Additional references to specific statutes are identified within each policy as applicable.

A HEARING HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD, ON THE PROPOSED PLANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE BOARD BYLAWS AND POLICIES. THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF SUCH HEARING IS EXPECTED TO BE: June 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the School Board office located at 919 N. Broad Street, Brooksville, Florida 34601.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE RULE WILL BE ADOPTED ON June 24, 2025.

DATE AND PLACE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED:

The notice of the public workshop regarding this plan was published on May 9, 2025 in the Hernando Sun, Hernando County, Florida.

If requested in writing and not deemed unnecessary by the agency head, a rule development workshop will be noticed in the Hernando Sun and the Board's website.

Any person requiring a special accommodation to participate in the meetings above noticed because of a disability should contact call 352-797-7253, 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make appropriate arrangements. If any person appearing before the School Board anticipates or expects that he or she might appeal any decision made by the School Board, that person will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose, that person will need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

The Agency does not anticipate any the adoption of this rule will (1) have an adverse impact on small business; or (2) directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate in the state within 1 year after the implementation of the rule. Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED FOR INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

- Student Code of Conduct, Jill Kolasa, Director of Student Services
- Staff Handbook, Alexis Brown, Director of Human Resources
- Neola Update, Barbara Kidder, Assistant Superintendent

Links to specific matters regarding the Hernando Schools are available at: <http://www.hernandoschools.org>

A copy of the proposed rule is available by contacting the individual identified above.

School board agendas are published online at: <https://hernandoschools.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

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