



St. Johns County School District 2016 Legislative Platform

Funding

- Support a PECO Construction allocation for high growth school districts.
- Support the continued restoration of the Base Student Allocation to the 2007-2008 funding levels.
- Support an increase in the Digital Classrooms Allocation in the FEFP for statutorily required technology needs, including infrastructure, hardware, software, training, and portable delivery devices, resulting from the statutory requirements to expand on-line testing, digital and virtual instruction/textbooks and data collection.
- Support parity in bonus funding for Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) program teachers to put them in line with AP and IB program teachers.

Assessment and Instructional Materials

- Support additional paper/pencil options for the Florida Standards Assessments, provided by the State, until adequate infrastructure, devices, and students' digital skills are in place and ready for successful administration.
- Support a state requirement for all digital instructional materials, including those associated with print materials, meet a set of generally accepted standards.

Charter School Accountability

- Support increased local control in charter school application reviews by allowing districts to take past history of charter school operators into account as part of the application evaluation.
- Oppose any proposal to redistribute a portion of the district's 1.5 capital outlay millage to charter schools.
- Support a proportional distribution of PECO dollars between traditional public schools and charter schools.

School Safety

- Support legislation requiring individuals making public records requests at a school site to check in with proper identification which aligns with protocol for all other individuals entering our schools. Anonymous requests may continue to be made through the district office.