



# St. Johns County School District 2022 Legislative Platform

## **State Funding**

- Maintain the fiscal year 2021-2022 Required Local Effort millage rate, resulting in an increase in the Base Student Allocation (BSA)
- Maintain funding of the Teacher Salary Increase Allocation

## **State Policy**

- Support efforts to reduce barriers to the recruitment and retention of high-quality personnel
- Support legislation that recognizes and preserves the constitutional and local decision-making authority of school boards
- Support parity for district virtual programs by allowing them to operate with the same calendar freedom as Florida Virtual School by ensuring consistency in funding throughout both the regular and summer terms
- Support efforts to remove the intelligent quotient score requirement to qualify a student for the Florida Standards Alternate Assessment
- Support full funding for student bus transportation and expand eligibility to include students living one mile or farther from the school site

## **Federal**

- Support legislation that fully funds the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
- Support federal infrastructure funding to provide internet connectivity ensuring all students have the access needed to participate in 21<sup>st</sup>-century learning
- Support additional funding and programmatic opportunities for VPK and early learning programs