



TOPIC: Career Pathways Program Articulation Agreements with:

- Okeechobee County School District
- The School Board of Brevard County, Florida
- The School Board of Indian River County, Florida
- The School Board of Martin County, Florida
- The School Board of St. Lucie County, Florida

REGULAR AGENDA OR COMMITTEE: Regular Agenda - Consent

SUBMITTED FOR: X ACTION/VOTE
 INFORMATION
 DISCUSSION

SUMMARY:

Board approval is requested for the updated and new Career Pathways Program Articulation Agreements between IRSC and our secondary school partners. These agreements allow students to earn college credits and supports our Career & Technical Education programs and workforce progression.

ALTERNATIVE(S): Request revisions prior to approval

TERMS FOR CONTRACTS:

1. **Term:** 2026-2027
2. **Fiscal Impact:** No direct impact. Supports Perkins funding and potential enrollment.
3. **Termination:** Remains in effect until the next school year

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval

SUBMITTED BY: James Howse

DATE: 3/30/26

BOARD ACTION: APPROVED

DATE: 4/28/26

Career Pathways Program Articulation Agreement

Between

Indian River State College

And

Okeechobee County School District

This agreement ensures that the students of Okeechobee County are best served by secondary Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs and by Indian River State College in all degree/certification programs where articulated credits are applicable. The following is agreed upon by Okeechobee School District and Indian River State College to ensure that students completing Career Pathways (CTE) Academies are awarded appropriate college credit:

1. Okeechobee County School District graduates may receive college credits or clock hours.
2. Students may be awarded articulation credits as early as the Fall semester following their high school graduation, upon the completion of Indian River State College admission requirements and registration of one or more Indian River State College courses, except where entrance/competency exams are needed based on program acceptance and/or course placement, and as part of the program selection process in Indian River State College Educational Services. Credits awarded at program selection are final and one-time.
3. The articulated courses will be identified as "Tech Prep" or "Career Pathways" in the appropriate discipline and identified on the college transcript as such. The articulated credits will be included on the student's official college transcript with the designation "satisfactory" and will be counted toward the appropriate degree or certificate.

Cluster(s): 16 Career Clusters Available by FLDOE
Program(s): All Career Pathways Academies

This agreement allows Indian River State College students to receive "Career Pathways" credits upon completion of any Career Pathways Academy within the Okeechobee School District, including but not limited to Aquaculture, Animal Science and Services, Agricultural Communications, Artificial Intelligence Foundation, Introduction to Firefighting, Outboard Marine Service Technology, Principles of Agribusiness and Management, and Technical Agriculture Operations:

GEB 1011	Introduction to Business	3 credits
SLS 1261	Essentials of Contemporary Leadership	3 credits
SLS 1421	Personal and Career Development	3 credits
CGS 1100	Introduction to Computer Applications for Business	3 credits

Cluster: Architecture and Construction Technology
Program: Building Construction Technology #8720300

This agreement awards three (3) "Career Pathways" credits upon completion of Building Construction Technology 1, 2, 4, and 5 as follows:

BCN 1214	Materials and Methods of Constructions – Basic Structure	3 credits
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This agreement awards one (1) "Career Pathways" credit upon completion of Building Construction Technology 3 as follows:

ETD 1320	Introduction to AutoCAD	1 credit
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Cluster: Arts A/V Technology & Communication
Program: Digital Design #8209600

This agreement awards up to three (3) "Career Pathways" credits upon completion of Digital Information Technology, Digital Design 1, and 2 as follows:

DIG 1115	Digital Imaging Fundamentals with Photoshop	3 credits
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Cluster: Education & Training
Program: Teacher Assisting/Principles of Teaching #8909000

This agreement awards three (3) "Career Pathways" credits upon completion of Introduction to the Teaching Profession, Human Growth and Development, and Foundation of Curriculum and Instruction as follows:

EEC 1202	Principles of Early Childhood Curriculum	3 credits
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Cluster: Health Science
Program: Nursing Assistant #8417210

This agreement awards up to one hundred and twenty-five (125)" clock hours upon completion of Health Science Anatomy and Physiology, Health Science Foundation, and Nursing Assistant 3 as follows:

HCP 0122	Nursing Assistant – Class Room & Lab	125 hours
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Cluster: Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security
Program: Criminal Justice #8918000

This agreement awards up to three (3) "Career Pathways" credits upon completion of Criminal Justice Operations 1, 2, and 3 as follows:

CJE 1000	Introduction to Law Enforcement	3 credits
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Cluster: Marketing, Sales & Service
Program: Entrepreneurship # 8812100

This agreement awards three (3) "Career Pathways" credits upon completion of Principles of Entrepreneurship, Business Management and Law, and Business Ownership, as follows:

SBM 1000	Entrepreneurship	3 credits
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Cluster: Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics
Program: Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair #9504100

This agreement awards up to three (3) "Career Pathways" credits upon completion of Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair 1, 2, and 3 as follows:

AER 1081C	Introduction to Automotive Technology	3 credits
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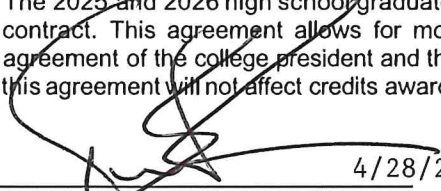
Additional credits may be available to students under the Florida Statewide Articulation Agreements, also known as the Gold Standard Agreements. Refer to Indian River State College's Prior Learning Assessment webpage (<https://irsc.edu/admissions/prior-learning-assessment.html>) to review eligible courses and procedures to have articulated credits posted on transcripts.

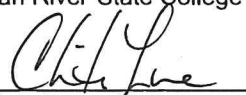
Students should seek advisement at any Indian River State College campus to determine which credits apply to their individual educational goals. Students may request articulated credits as early as the Fall semester following their high school graduation, upon completing Indian River State College admission requirements and registering for one or more Indian River State College courses. Articulation credit may only be awarded within 36 (thirty-six) months from the student's graduation date, and the application of credits to an Indian River State College program is a one-time election process.

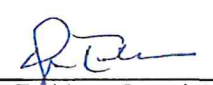
Indian River State College's Quad County Career Pathways Consortium and partnered school districts comply with the Code of Federal Regulation §99.31 Exception to Written Consent; therefore, an institution may release personally identifiable information from a student's education record without the student's written consent as required in §99.30 if the disclosure meets one or more of the following conditions:

- The disclosure is to other school officials, including teachers, whom the institution has determined to have legitimate educational interests. A contractor or other party to whom an agency or institution has outsourced institutional services or functions may be considered a school official. An educational agency or institution must use reasonable methods to ensure that school officials have access only to those education records in which they have a legitimate educational interest.
- The disclosure is to officials of another institution of post-secondary education where the student seeks or intends to enroll.
- The disclosure is to authorized representatives or federal, state, or local educational authorities.
- The disclosure is information the educational agency or institution has designated as "directory information."

This agreement will be effective upon the signing of the district superintendent, the college president, and their respective board chairs. The articulated credits in this agreement will apply to 2027 high school graduates and will remain in effect until both parties approve the next deal. The 2025 and 2026 high school graduates shall continue to receive credits under the previous contract. This agreement allows for modifications to be made at any time upon the mutual agreement of the college president and the district superintendent. Changes and/or revocation of this agreement will not affect credits awarded to students before the revision date.


4/28/26
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