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2021 Florida Legislative Session Update

Financial aid, dual enrollment, and budget cuts on the agenda

The 2021 regular legislative session ends on April 30; however, most would describe this year's experience as anything but 'regular'. Despite an unprecedented year of limited public interaction due to COVID-19 safety protocols, House and Senate leadership have doubled down on their efforts to align education and workforce as a way to expedite the economic recovery.

Early on, proposals to align financial aid and scholarships to in-demand fields were met with strong opposition, while proposals to increase access to short-term credentials have gained support. Additionally, efforts to expand dual enrollment to high school students and remove barriers to access have also been considered. Since FCAN released its session preview last month, the Legislature has considered several bills that stand to impact students via postsecondary education and workforce training in the Sunshine State.

FCAN's 2021 Florida Legislative Session Update is the second in a series of FCAN releases during session to track policy updates related to college and career readiness, access, and success.

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