

26 (1) The Early Childhood Music Education Incentive ~~Pilot~~
 27 Program is created within the Department of Education. The
 28 purpose of the ~~pilot~~ program is to assist participating ~~selected~~
 29 school districts in implementing comprehensive music education
 30 programs for students in kindergarten through grade 2.

31 (2) A school district is eligible for participation in the
 32 ~~pilot~~ program if the superintendent certifies to the department
 33 ~~Commissioner of Education~~, in a format prescribed by the
 34 department, that specified elementary schools within the
 35 district have established a comprehensive music education
 36 program that:

37 (a) Includes all students at the school enrolled in
 38 kindergarten through grade 2.

39 (b) Is staffed by certified music educators.

40 (c) Provides music instruction for at least 30 consecutive
 41 minutes 2 days a week.

42 (d) Complies with class size requirements under s.
 43 1003.03.

44 (e) Complies with the department's standards for early
 45 childhood music education programs for students in kindergarten
 46 through grade 2.

47 (3)(a) The department ~~commissioner~~ shall approve ~~select~~
 48 school districts for participation in the ~~pilot~~ program, subject
 49 to legislative appropriation, based on ~~the school district's~~
 50 ~~proximity to the University of Florida and~~ needs-based criteria

51 established by the State Board of Education. Subject to
52 appropriations provided in the General Appropriations Act,
53 participating ~~Selected~~ school districts shall annually receive a
54 maximum of \$150 per full-time equivalent student in kindergarten
55 through grade 2 who is enrolled in a comprehensive music
56 education program.

57 (b) To maintain eligibility for participation in the ~~pilot~~
58 program, a participating ~~selected~~ school district must annually
59 certify to the department ~~commissioner~~, in a format prescribed
60 by the department, that each specified elementary school within
61 the district provides a comprehensive music education program
62 that meets the requirements of subsection (2). If a
63 participating ~~selected~~ school district fails to provide the
64 annual certification for a fiscal year, the school district must
65 return all funds received through the pilot program for that
66 fiscal year.

67 ~~(4) The University of Florida's College of Education, in~~
68 ~~collaboration with Florida International University's School of~~
69 ~~Music, shall evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot program by~~
70 ~~measuring student academic performance and the success of the~~
71 ~~program. The evaluation must include, but is not limited to, a~~
72 ~~quantitative analysis of student achievement and a qualitative~~
73 ~~evaluation of students enrolled in the comprehensive music~~
74 ~~education programs. The results of the evaluation must be shared~~
75 ~~with the Florida Center for Partnerships for Arts-Integrated~~

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76 | ~~Teaching upon completion of the evaluation.~~

77 | ~~(5)~~ The State Board of Education may adopt rules to
78 | administer this section.

79 | ~~(6)~~ ~~This section expires June 30, 2023.~~

80 | Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.