



December 12, 2019

Florida Department of Education
Attn: Stephen Bochnia
325 W. Gaines St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Accelerate Education Course Provider Approval Application, Round 2 Feedback

Dear Mr. Stephen Bochnia,

Thank you for the feedback on Accelerate Education's Round 2 submission to become an approved Online Course Provider in Florida. We have updated the Disclosure Requirements (see our FL Disclosure site at: <https://accelerate.education/fl-disclosure-site/>) in response to your feedback; however, we wanted to call out the specific updates and assurances in a separate letter, as recommended. Since Accelerate Education does not currently offer online courses in Florida, we have not yet identified Florida certified and highly qualified teachers to serve in our instructional service model.

Accelerate Education is fully aware of the below statutes and sections to comply with the Florida Online Course Approval process:

- Section 1003.499(3)(a)7., F.S., the provider shall publish the following in a prominent location on its website available to the general public. All contracts for the provision of a Florida Approved Course under Section 1003.499, F.S., shall require the provider to comply with the disclosure requirements herein.
- 1003.499(3)(a)3. States: Requires all instructional staff to be Florida-certified teachers under chapter 1012 or certified as adjunct educators under s. 1012.57 and conducts background screenings for all employees or contracted personnel, as required by s. 1012.32, using state and national criminal history records.

If approved as an Online Course Provider for Florida, we would secure the additional staff and no later than July 1, 2020, submit an updated Disclosure Requirements including the required personnel data (i.e., names, location, FLDOE certification numbers, and certification status). Additional details about Instructional and Advisement staff, responsibilities, service level agreements, certification details, and student-teacher ratios can be found on our Disclosure site as well.

If any additional documentation is needed, feel free to contact me at maryscotts@accelerate.education or by calling 206-334-6614.

We appreciate your consideration,

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