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Governor DeSantis, Legislative Leaders Support Teachers, Families

Focus on Increased Teacher Pay, Expanded Learning Options

Statement from Patricia Levesque, Executive Director of the Foundation for Florida's Future, on education priorities shared on the opening day of this year's Legislative session:

"Governor DeSantis continues to build upon policies that produce results and directly improve the lives Florida's families, students and educators. His focus on increasing overall school funding and teacher pay will benefit students now and in the future. And his commitment to providing valuable workforce training for Floridians will lead to more high-paying opportunities in in-demand fields.

"We appreciate the strong support from House Speaker Chris Sprowls to help our youngest students gain the reading skills they need to succeed. And Senate President Wilton Simpson's passion for expanding learning options to all Floridians will create a brighter future for our state.

"We look forward to working with all policymakers as we move toward expanding more learning options for families, maintaining and improving our state assessment and accountability system, creating a well-defined pathway to success in careers and college, and sparking innovation in all Florida schools."

(Governor Ron DeSantis' [State of the State address](#), Senate President [Wilton Simpson's opening remarks](#) and House Speaker [Chris Sprowls' opening remarks](#) are available online.)

