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To Whom It May Concern:

The Department of Educational Leadership and Research Methodology has reviewed the proposed 4+1 pathway associated with the Bachelor of Early Care and Education (BECE) program. We recognize that the BECE undergraduate program is a jointly offered degree between the Departments of Curriculum & Instruction and Special Education, serving as a shared academic foundation for students. The proposed 4+1 pathways are intentionally designed to build upon this shared undergraduate experience while leading to distinct graduate degree outcomes, each reflecting the unique disciplinary focus, competencies, and professional preparation of the respective department. The Department of Educational Leadership and Research Methodology has no conflict with the proposed program and does not view it as duplicative of existing offerings.

Sincerely,

Vonzell Agosto

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RE: No conflict statement needed

From Dale Williams <DWILLIAM@health.fau.edu>

Date Wed 4/22/2026 2:40 PM

To Sabrina Sembiante <ssembiante@fau.edu>

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From: Sabrina Sembiante <ssembiante@fau.edu>

Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2026 12:59 PM

To: Dale Williams <DWILLIAM@health.fau.edu>; Elizabeth Sacks <evillare@fau.edu>; Joseph Brojomohun-Gagnon <josephgagnon@fau.edu>; Robert Shockley <SHOCKLEY@fau.edu>

Cc: Michelle McGovern <mvaughn3@fau.edu>; Yash Bhagwanji <ybhagwan@fau.edu>; Bridgette Cassidy <cassidyb@fau.edu>

Subject: No conflict statement needed

Hello Liz, Dale, Joe, and Bob,

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Thanks very much!

Warmly,

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From Joseph Brojomohun-Gagnon <josephgagnon@fau.edu>

Date Wed 4/22/2026 1:02 PM

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Cheers,

Joe

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Best,
Elizabeth

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