



Business & Education Council Meeting Agenda

Date: May 20, 2026

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom

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Meeting Called by: Trish Yahn, Staff Liaison

Welcome & Introductions

Trish Yahn

Labor Market Information

Trish Yahn

- Occupations by Projected Growth (highest and lowest)
- Florida Unemployment Numbers for March 2026

Overview of Rapid Response Program

Reenee Williams-Walter

Talent Pipeline Needs Discussion

All

Upcoming Meetings (all virtual via Zoom)

August 11, 2026
November 17, 2026
February 9, 2027
May 12, 2027

Area Profile for Tallahassee, FL Metropolitan Statistical Area

Occupations by Projected Growth Table

The table below shows the occupations with the **highest 2015-2023 annual avg. percent change** in Tallahassee, FL Metropolitan Statistical Area for the 2015-2023 time period.

Rank	Occupation	2015 Estimated Employment	2023 Projected Employment	2015-2023 Annual Avg. Percent Change	Annual Openings
1	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	62	86	4.84%	N/A
2	Logisticians	24	32	4.17%	N/A
3	Interpreters and Translators	38	50	3.95%	N/A
4	Nursing Instructors and Teachers, Postsecondary	125	163	3.80%	N/A
5	Helpers--Electricians	95	122	3.55%	N/A
6	Meeting, Convention, and Event Planners	122	156	3.48%	N/A
7	Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary	532	680	3.48%	N/A
8	Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians	163	204	3.14%	N/A
9	Cartographers and Photogrammetrists	16	20	3.13%	N/A
10	Medical Equipment Repairers	32	40	3.13%	N/A

Source: Labor Market Statistics, Occupational Employment Projections Unit
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Area Profile for Tallahassee, FL Metropolitan Statistical Area

Occupations by Projected Growth Table

The table below shows the occupations with the **lowest 2015-2023 annual avg. percent change** in Tallahassee, FL Metropolitan Statistical Area for the 2015-2023 time period.

Rank	Occupation	2015 Estimated Employment	2023 Projected Employment	2015-2023 Annual Avg. Percent Change	Annual Openings
1	Word Processors and Typists	72	55	-2.95%	N/A
2	Postal Service Clerks	48	37	-2.86%	N/A
3	Postal Service Mail Sorters, Processors, and Processing Machine Operators	158	124	-2.69%	N/A
4	Prepress Technician and Workers	20	16	-2.50%	N/A
5	Data Entry Keyers	713	571	-2.49%	N/A
6	Postal Service Mail Carriers	257	207	-2.43%	N/A
7	Computer Operators	127	105	-2.17%	N/A
8	Pressers, Textile, Garment, and Related Materials	44	37	-1.99%	N/A
9	Print Binding and Finishing Workers	35	30	-1.79%	N/A
10	Office Machine Operators, Except Computer	65	56	-1.73%	N/A

Source: Labor Market Statistics, Occupational Employment Projections Unit
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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)
MARCH 2026 (PRELIMINARY)

1	Taylor County	8.40%
2	Sumter County	7.80%
3	Hamilton County	6.70%
4	Citrus County	6.50%
5	Highlands County	6.10%
6	Lafayette County	6.00%
6	Union County	6.00%
8	Dixie County	5.70%
9	Marion County	5.60%
9	Washington County	5.60%
11	Charlotte County	5.50%
11	DeSoto County	5.50%
11	Putnam County	5.50%
14	Madison County	5.40%
14	Polk County	5.40%
14	Suwannee County	5.40%
17	Bradford County	5.30%
17	Columbia County	5.30%
17	Flagler County	5.30%
17	Gadsden County	5.30%
17	Hernando County	5.30%
17	Indian River County	5.30%
23	Glades County	5.20%
23	Hardee County	5.20%
23	Jackson County	5.20%
23	Levy County	5.20%
23	Okeechobee County	5.20%
28	Alachua County	5.10%
28	St. Lucie County	5.10%
28	Volusia County	5.10%
31	Calhoun County	5.00%
32	Escambia County	4.90%
32	Franklin County	4.90%
32	Hendry County	4.90%
32	Holmes County	4.90%
32	Lee County	4.90%
32	Pasco County	4.90%
38	Gilchrist County	4.80%
38	Lake County	4.80%
38	Liberty County	4.80%

	41	Brevard County	4.70%
	41	Clay County	4.70%
	41	Duval County	4.70%
	41	Leon County	4.70%
	41	Martin County	4.70%
	41	Sarasota County	4.60%
	48	Baker County	4.60%
	48	Gulf County	4.60%
	48	St. Johns County	4.60%
	48	Santa Rosa County	4.60%
	52	Bay County	4.50%
	52	Collier County	4.50%
	52	Hillsborough County	4.50%
	52	Nassau County	4.50%
	52	Osceola County	4.40%
	57	Palm Beach County	4.40%
Florida			4.40%
	58	Okaloosa County	4.30%
	58	Orange County	4.30%
USA			4.30%
	60	Broward County	4.20%
	60	Jefferson County	4.20%
	60	Walton County	4.20%
	63	Pinellas County	4.10%
	63	Seminole County	4.10%
	63	Wakulla County	4.10%
	66	Monroe County	3.10%
	67	Miami-Dade County	2.90%

Information provided by FloridaCommerce Workforce Statistics and Economic Research on 5/1/26.