



\$10K Bachelor's Degree
Middle Grades Science and Secondary Biology Education Degrees

Florida SouthWestern accepted the challenge presented by Florida Governor Rick Scott that colleges offer bachelor degrees for \$10,000. Starting in the Fall of this year, Florida SouthWestern State College is offering degrees in Secondary Biology Education and Middle Grades Science Education with tuition under \$10,000. In Florida SouthWestern's transformational approach to teaching, students will complete both ground and online innovative coursework.

"By offering these two degrees for under \$10K, it not only assists the students who wish to keep their student debt low, but it also meets a critical shortage by responding to our community's need for highly qualified educators in the areas of secondary and middle grades science," said Dr. Erin Harrel, Dean, School of Education, Florida SouthWestern State College. "Florida SouthWestern State College wants to support the needs of our community, and we know that students here are receiving the best possible education and will help our future leaders to excel in what they do. By accepting this challenge, we want Governor Scott to know that Edison State is supportive of the education initiatives at the state and local levels."

To receive information on how to register for one of these degree programs, contact Anne Wilson at 239-489-9365, or by email at ahwilson2@fsw.edu.

Governor Rick Scott stated, "Higher education is key to helping our students succeed in the 21st century economy and to grow jobs in Florida. It is important our students can get an affordable education, and our state colleges have stepped up to the challenge to find innovative ways to provide a quality education at a great value. Our goal should be that students do not have to go into debt in order to obtain a degree – and today's announcement of nearly all of our state colleges meeting this challenge puts us closer to achieving that goal for our students and families."

Celebrating 50 years of excellence, Florida SouthWestern State College is Southwest Florida's largest, most accessible and affordable institution of higher education. Proud to be tobacco-free, Edison State serves more than 24,000 students across five counties and through Edison Online. For more information please visit www.edison.edu.

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