

**School District of Indian River County (SDIRC)**  
**Retirement Resources Sheet for SDIRC and Florida Retirement System (FRS)**

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**Upcoming FRS Retirement Workshop 10/28/24**

**Where: District Office TEC, 6500 57<sup>th</sup> St., VB, FL 32967**

**When: 10/28/2024, 11:00am – 12:30pm & 5:00 – 6:30pm**

**Topic: TBD / Audience: Open to All SDIRC FRS Members**

**Division of Retirement/FRS Contact #s (toll-free):**

**FRS Members: 1-844-377-1888**

**FRS Financial Guidance Line: 1-866-446-9377**

(If you want to have someone else on the phone with you when you call them, you can give FRS permission to speak with them as well.)

**SDIRC Roadmap to Retirement:**

Whether your retirement is still years away or around the corner, the ***SDIRC Roadmap to Retirement*** is a workbook to help make sure you do not miss any critical retirement planning deadlines. It is accessible on the **SDIRC main website** by clicking on **Directory > Human Resources > Retired Employees**. Topics include:

- Supplemental Workplace Savings Accounts
- Pension Plan, Investment Plan and DROP information
- Personal Retirement Planning
- Special Payouts (leave, incentives)
- Retiree Health Benefits
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Election Plan Switch Option
- Retirement Notification...and more

**FRS Recorded Retirement Workshop Videos:**

Below is a link to the FRS online employee workshops webpage that has recorded retirement videos regarding the Pension and Investment plans and different aspects of retirement (i.e. ***Nearing Retirement in the FRS, Protecting Yourself and Your Loved Ones, Investment Planning, Taking Control of Your Finances, Tax Planning, Social Security and Your Retirement, Understanding Your Benefits Under FRS Pension Plan, Understanding FRS Investment Plan***).

- <https://www.myfrs.com/Workshop.htm>

**FRS Publications:**

Information related to **new hires, active FRS members, FRS retirees, survivor benefits, planning for retirement, 2<sup>nd</sup> Elections, FRS newsletters**, and more can be accessed online at:

[https://www.myfrs.com/Resources\\_Publication.htm](https://www.myfrs.com/Resources_Publication.htm)

**Common FRS Publications:**

- **FRS New Member (New Hire) Video**  
<https://choosemyfrsplan.com/nh/index.html>
- **Pension Plan Member Handbook:**  
[https://frs.fl.gov/forms/member\\_handbook.pdf](https://frs.fl.gov/forms/member_handbook.pdf)
- **Investment Plan Summary Plan Description:**  
[https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/frs\\_ip\\_spd.pdf](https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/frs_ip_spd.pdf)
- **DROP Guide:** <https://frs.fl.gov/forms/DROP-guide.pdf>
- **Pension Plan - Choosing a Retirement Benefit Option:**  
<https://frs.fl.gov/forms/what-option.pdf>
- **2nd Election (Switching Plans):**  
[https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/2nd\\_election.pdf](https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/2nd_election.pdf)
- **Pension Plan - Ready. Set. Retire.:**  
[https://frs.fl.gov/forms/ready\\_set\\_retire.pdf](https://frs.fl.gov/forms/ready_set_retire.pdf)
- **Investment Plan - When Your FRS Employment Ends:**  
<https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/termination-kit.pdf>

**FRS Retirement Account Access:**

MyFRS online provides retirement plan access to FRS members. You can review your plan, create Pension Plan benefit estimates, view Investment Plan investments, review years of service, and more. If you don't have an account, register to create one at <https://www.myfrs.com/register.htm>, then FRS will send you a personal identification number (PIN) to create your own MyFRS account.

**FRS Electronic Communications:**

If you would like to receive correspondence quicker from FRS through MyFRS online instead of by mail, in your MyFRS online account, click on the Communication link on the left-hand menu and select to receive communications electronically. Once approved, FRS will start sending emails to your personal email to let you know you have mail in your MyFRS account.

**Is Your Beneficiary Information Up-to-Date?**

It is very important to ensure your plan beneficiaries are current, so your benefits (if any) are passed to your named beneficiaries upon your death.

**Investment Plan Members:**

There are 4 ways to submit beneficiary information:

1. Online FRS Investment Plan Beneficiary Designation form on MyFRS.com.
2. Logging in to MyFRS.com and clicking Investment Plan > Your Profile > Beneficiaries.
3. Mailing or faxing an FRS Investment Plan Beneficiary Designation form (IPBEN-1), available online at [https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/ip\\_beneficiary.pdf](https://www.myfrs.com/pdf/forms/ip_beneficiary.pdf) to the Investment Plan Administrator.
4. Calling the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line at **1-866-446-9377, Option 4.**

**Pension Plan Members:**

*Active or Retired Members:*

- Update your beneficiary designation using your MyFRS online account at <https://frs.fl.gov>

*Active Members:*

- Visit: <https://frs.fl.gov/forms/ben-001.pdf>

**Think You Are Ready to Retire?**

Around 3-6 months before you are ready to retire, contact Stacy Haas in Human Resources for retirement related information and to schedule a meeting to process your retirement paperwork.

**It is important for members of a bargaining unit to review their bargaining agreements for retirement and benefit related information, and for non-bargaining employees to review the Board's policies for retirement and benefit related information, to ensure you have an understanding of what benefits are available to you and the eligibility requirements.**