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Memorandum

DATE: October 7, 2003

TO: Transportation Directors
Exceptional Student Education Directors

FROM: Julie Wammack
Special Needs Transportation Specialist

RE: "Transporting Students with Autism"—Regional Workshops
Monday, October 27, 2003 Lee County
Wednesday, October 29, 2003 Osceola County
Friday, October 31, 2003 Leon County

The Department's School Transportation Management section is offering three regional workshops in October on the best practices for transporting students with autism. Ms. Jocelyn Taylor, MS, CCC-SLP, Education Specialist on Autism for the Utah Department of Education, will be the presenter. Ms. Taylor has over 20 years of experience working with students with autism and will provide many effective transportation strategies for district personnel.

Even though the workshops are designed to address the special transportation-related needs of students with autism, we encourage exceptional student education personnel to attend. The date and location for each workshop are listed on the attached registration form. The workshops in Osceola and Leon districts can accommodate 100 participants; the workshop in Lee district can accommodate 50 people.

We are hoping most participants will be able to make this a one day event but for those who might need motel accommodations, please contact the following people for more information. In Lee County, call Juanita Carrillo at 1-239-344-2508; in Osceola County, call Daphney Krause at 1-407-518-4565; and in Leon County, call Julie Wammack at 1-850-245-9795.

CHARLIE HOOD
DIRECTOR, SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

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If you are interested in registering for one of the workshops, please fill out the attached registration form and e-mail it to me at Julie.Wammack@fldoe.org or fax it to our office at 850-245-9935, by October 21, 2003.

If you have any questions regarding this training, please call our office at 1-850-245-9795.

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Attachment: Registration Form

cc: Jennifer Rippner
Dr. Cathy Wooley-Brown
Nancy Scowcroft

TRANSPORTING STUDENTS WITH AUTISM

Registration Form

WHO: **Transportation Staff** (Trainers, Route Specialists, ESE liaisons, etc.)
ESE Personnel (Program Specialists, Occupational/Physical Therapists, etc.)

WHEN AND WHERE: **Monday, Oct. 27, 2003--Lee District**
Career and Service Centers of Lee County
4150 Ford Street Extension
Fort Myers, FL 33916
50 participants maximum

Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2003--Osceola District
Osceola Transportation Department
401 Simpson Road
Kissimmee, FL 34744
100 participants maximum

Friday, Oct. 31, 2003--Leon District
FSU Center for Professional Development
554 W. Pensacola Street
Tallahassee, FL 32306
100 participants maximum

TIME: **8:30 am - 4:30 pm**

WHAT: Jocelyn Taylor, MS, CCC-SLP, is an Education Specialist on Autism for the Utah State Office of Education. She has worked with students with autism for over 20 years and has many wonderful experiences and effective strategies to share regarding transporting students with autism. Ms. Taylor will provide an overview of autism and specific techniques on how to best work with these students.

TO REGISTER: (Check one) Lee Osceola Leon

District Name: _____

Name: _____	Position: _____
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Please fax the completed form to Julie Wammack at (850) 245-9935 by October 17, 2003.