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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** District School Superintendents

**From:** Jim Warford

**Date:** April 15, 2004

**Subject:** **DRIVER LICENSE/SCHOOL ATTENDANCE PROGRAM REPORT  
THIRD QUARTER REPORT 2003-2004**

Please find attached a copy of the report from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) for the third quarter of 2003-2004. This report now includes manual additions and deletions by department personnel. The names of students transmitted to the DHSMV will be mailed under separate cover to your district's Director of Student Services. Our staff reviewed and compiled the information into a state summary that reflects transactions processed for school districts from January 1, 2004, through March 31, 2004 (*Attachment 1*). Although data were received from Franklin, Glades, Gulf and Highlands County School Districts, data were not received in time to be processed by DHSMV for inclusion in this quarterly report. This review also indicates that Jefferson County School District did not report during the third quarter.

JIM WARFORD  
*K-12 Chancellor*

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For the third quarter of the school year 2003-2004:

- 3,499 students received Notices of Intent to Suspend Driving Privileges
- 3,449 Notices of Intent to Suspend Driving Privileges were deleted
- 10,412 Non-Licensed drivers received notices that they were not eligible to apply and receive driver licenses
- 8,308 Non-Licensed/Non-Compliance orders were deleted
- 2,720 Suspension Orders were issued
- 2,383 Suspension Orders were cleared or deleted
- 100 students who reinstated their driving privilege received 2<sup>nd</sup> suspension

The Technical Assistance Paper on Implementation of Attendance Requirements for Minors to Maintain Their Driving Privilege directs school districts to transmit student data to DHSMV at least once a week.

Districts reporting students as soon as they withdraw from school or accumulate 15 unexcused absences in 90 calendar days are more successful at retrieving dropouts and improving student attendance. Implementation of these requirements can improve district dropout and attendance rates.

If you have questions regarding your data, please contact Donald Klein, DHSMV, at (850) 488-3288. If you have questions concerning policies and procedures relating to the implementation of the driver license/school attendance program requirements, please refer to the Technical Assistance Paper on Implementation of Attendance Requirements for Minors to Maintain Their Driving Privilege or contact Rich Downs via email at [rdowns@tempest.coedu.usf.edu](mailto:rdowns@tempest.coedu.usf.edu) or by telephone at (850) 922-3732, or SunCom 292-3732.

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Attachments

cc: District Student Services Directors  
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Attendance Supervisors  
Guidance Supervisors  
Dropout Prevention Coordinators  
School District MIS Contacts  
Data Processing Directors  
Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles