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MEMORANDUM

TO: District School Superintendents

FROM: Jim Warford

DATE: November 8, 2004

SUBJECT: 2004-2005 Waiver Form for the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test

We are pleased to provide you with the Waiver of Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) Graduation Requirement for Students with Disabilities form, revised October 2004, available on line at www.firn.edu/doe/commhome/fcat/fcatwaiv.doc. The Enhanced New Needed Opportunity for Better Life and Education for Students with Disabilities (ENNOBLES) Act provides, in section 1003.43(11)(b), Florida Statutes (F.S.), for the waiver of the FCAT requirement for graduation with a standard diploma for certain students with disabilities who have met all other requirements for graduation with a standard diploma, except a passing score on the FCAT. In order for the FCAT graduation requirement to be waived, the individual educational plan (IEP) team must meet during the student's senior year to determine whether or not the FCAT can accurately measure the student's abilities, taking into consideration allowable accommodations. This form must be completed by the IEP team when determining whether or not a student with a disability should be waived from the requirement to achieve a passing score on the Grade 10 FCAT for graduation.

JIM WARFORD
K – 12 Chancellor

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If you have any questions regarding the FCAT waiver process or the use of the form, please direct them to Evy Friend, Section Administrator, Exceptional Student Education Program Development and Services.

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cc: District Student Services Directors
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