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MEMORANDUM

TO: Identified District School Superintendents

FROM: Cheri Pierson Yecke, Ph.D.

DATE: March 18, 2006

SUBJECT: **Florida Public School District Funding Opportunity for the Tobacco Prevention and Intervention Teacher Training Project**

The Florida Department of Education's goal of *Highest Student Achievement* is one of the top priorities for K-12 schools. In order to reach this goal, the Department recognizes that students learn best in a school environment that is safe and healthy. To support this goal, the Coordinated School Health Program announces a Request for Proposal to provide funding to Florida public school districts for the *Tobacco Prevention and Intervention Teacher Training Project*. This grant will enable districts to provide quality training for teachers to implement effective tobacco prevention and intervention programs in their classrooms and schools. Districts will have the opportunity to develop and enhance tobacco prevention and intervention efforts. This will reinforce universal refusal skills development in students, thereby enhancing student achievement, as a healthy student is more likely to achieve at school. The project award is up to \$50,000 per district. **All applications and proposals are due by April 28, 2006.**

CHERI PIERSON YECKE, PH.D.
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The attached Request for Proposal (RFP) outlines the application process. If you have questions or require assistance in completing this application, you may contact Dr. Antionette Meeks, Assistant Director/Health Coordinator, Coordinated School Health Program, at antionette.meeks@fldoe.org or (850) 245-0480, or Penny Detscher, Program Director, Coordinated School Health Program, at penny.detscher@fldoe.org or (850) 245-0480.

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