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MEMORANDUM

TO: Florida School District Superintendents
Directors, University Research Schools
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FROM: John L. Winn

DATE: February 27, 2007

SUBJECT: 2007 PRINCIPAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP NOMINATION PACKET

The Principal Achievement Award for Outstanding Leadership honors the contribution of an elite group of school administrators for their exemplary contributions to Florida's students, schools, and communities. Through their innovative leadership and dedication to academic excellence, Florida's schools have increased student performance and established safe learning environments for our children. Thus, recognizing individuals who make a difference in our schools is a priority for the Florida Department of Education, and we strongly encourage each district to participate in this prestigious recognition program.

The 2007 Principal Achievement Award for Outstanding Leadership Nomination Packet may be obtained on our website at the following link: <http://www.firn.edu/doe/profdev/cpaa.htm>. Please download the Nomination Packet, which includes the Application, Nomination Form, and information regarding eligibility, selection criteria and procedures for designating district winners

Each district nominee will be evaluated upon the following key areas of leadership as referenced in the Selection Criteria:

- Student Achievement,
- Community Partnerships and Family Involvement,
- Professional Development, and
- Student Services.

Districts may nominate one principal from each of the three school levels: elementary, middle or high school. District nominees compete only within their school levels. From the nominations, three principals per school level are selected such that a total of nine (9) principals are selected as statewide finalists. Out of the nine (9) finalists, one per school level is selected as a State Winner. The State Winners will be announced in the fall at the Commissioner's Summit for Principals. Thank you for your continued support of this program. We look forward to receiving the nomination materials for your district nominees no later than **Monday, July 2, 2007**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Bonita Hampton. Her contact information is provided above.

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