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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
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FROM: Dr. Frances Haithcock

DATE: January 22, 2009

**SUBJECT: MAJOR AREA OF INTEREST SCHOOL AND DISTRICT UPDATES FOR
2009-2010**

I am pleased to share that the process for reviewing new and proposed changes to Major Areas of Interest (MAIs) is complete for school year 2009-2010. Twelve new MAIs have been approved as well as many course additions to existing Majors. Twenty-Eight MAIs were added by the Department of Education (DOE) to reflect corresponding Bright Futures Gold Seal Vocational (GSV) Scholarship programs. The A++ Implementation Web site, www.fldoe.org/aPlusPlus, has been updated to reflect the changes. Please log-in and submit MAI school offerings for 2009-10 by February 27, 2009. A file of currently selected MAIs for each district is available at www.fldoe.org/aPlusPlus under the High School Majors section (select *Viewable District and School Major Areas of Interest*).

As you prepare for updating MAIs offered at your schools, here is a list of items to note:

- The database will be open from January 26, 2009 (8:00 AM EST) to February 27, 2009 (5:00 PM EST) for districts to update MAIs offered at their schools.
- You may add MAIs, modify currently selected MAIs, or delete currently selected MAIs if they are no longer available.

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- If a school serving grades 9-12 is missing from the list or if a school should be removed, please send an email to Sara.Marchessault@fldoe.org indicating the district number, school number, school name and year for the update.
- If a school offers a Major containing a Career Technical Education (CTE) program, you may now select individual courses within the program.

Attached is a document with instructions and screenshots for updating your Majors in the database. Once the reporting window closes, the A++ Implementation and FACTS.org Web sites will be updated with the most current MAIs.

Thank you for your continued commitment to educational excellence. If you have questions regarding Majors and courses that will be offered at your schools, please contact Sara Marchessault, Bureau of School Improvement, at (850) 245-0831, or via email at Sara.Marchessault@fldoe.org

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Attachment

Instructions for Submitting Major Area of Interest (MAI) School Offerings for 2009-10

The system will accept MAIs school offerings for 2009-10 from January 26, 2009 (8:00 AM EST) to February 27, 2009 (5:00 PM EST).

1. Go to www.fldoe.org/aPlusPlus, under the High School Majors section choose "District Submission of School Major Areas of Interest".
2. Log-in by providing your school district and password. (There is only one password per district. If you need assistance, please use the contact information provided on the log-in screen.)
3. On the menu, select "Contact Information (Required**)" and provide the necessary information.
4. Choose "Select State Approved Major Areas of Interest for High Schools for School year 2009-10" and review the list of majors offered for each school. You may add MAIs, modify currently selected MAIs, or delete currently selected MAIs if they are no longer available.
5. When you are finished submitting school offerings, select "Notify DOE that your data entry is complete" or, if you do not have any changes, select "Notify DOE that you do not plan to make any changes or additions to approved MAIs".

Main Menu

Instructions: Indicate the Major Areas of Interest (MAIs) that will be offered for the upcoming school year by February 27, 2009 (5:00 PM EST) by completing the steps below:

1. Select "Contact Information (Required**)" and provide the necessary information.
2. Choose "Select State Approved Major Areas of Interest for High Schools for School year 2009-10" and review the list of majors offered for each school. You may add MAIs, modify currently selected MAIs, or delete currently selected MAIs if they are no longer available.
3. When you are finished submitting school offerings, select "Notify DOE that your data entry is complete" or, if you do not have any changes, select "Notify DOE that you do not plan to make any changes or additions to approved MAIs".

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[Memorandum 07/03/2008 \(PDF\)](#)

[View a list of all Approved Majors and Associated Courses](#)

Submit Major Areas: Data entry for majors is closed

**The Contact Information section must be complete before any other sections of the data collection are available.

✓ **Contact Information (Required**)**

[Select State Approved Major Areas of Interest for High Schools for School year 2009-10](#)

[Proposed Integrated Major Areas of Interest for School Year 2009-10](#)

[Propose Additions to Approved Major Areas of Interest](#)

[Review 2009-10 Majors and Courses Submitted to Date \(Excel .csv file\)](#)

[Notify DOE that your data entry is complete](#)

[Notify DOE that you do not plan to make any changes or additions to approved MAIs.](#)

A++ Implementation Home

If you have any questions contact Sara Marchessault, 850-245-0831.

Updating School Offerings

1. Indicate the major areas of interest for each high school in your district. Click the “Select” button next to the high school name to review the list of majors offered for the school.
 - Every high school must have submitted major areas of interest in order to get to the logout page for district final submission.
 - If a school serving grades 9-12 is missing from the list or if a school should be removed, please use the contact information provided on the screen to request an addition/deletion. (Be sure to include the district number, school number, and school year with the request.)
 - When you are finished reviewing and/or submitting school offerings, select “Main Menu” across the top. Select “Notify DOE that your data entry is complete” or, if you do not have any changes, select “Notify DOE that you do not plan to make any changes or additions to approved MAIs”. A confirmation message will appear requiring that the Superintendent and/or School Board have approved this submission.

District Submission of High School Major Areas of Interest


High School Major Areas of Interest for
EASTSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
0421

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[Back to list of Schools](#) | [View a list of all Approved Majors and Associated Courses](#)

Instructions: Review the list of majors offered for this school. You may:

1. Add new major areas of interest to the school's list of offerings;
2. Edit a major area currently selected by changing the title or course makeup; and
3. Delete a major area from the school's list of offerings.

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Add a New Major Area of Interest

This major area will apply to which of the following:

All Students Students with Disabilities Working Toward a Special Diploma

[Check Status of data entry for this school](#)

Re-Sort list: [Sort by Major Title](#)

B  **C** 

Major Areas Selected				
edit	Major ID	Major Title	Alternate Title	Delete
edit	0199	Arts - Visual Arts		delete
edit	0400	Drama - Theatre Arts		delete
edit	0701	Foreign languages - French		delete
edit	0708	Foreign languages - Spanish		delete
edit	1099	Language Arts		delete
edit	1100	Library Media		delete
edit	1302	Music - Instrumental Music		delete

- A) To add a Major, use the gray box. Select whether the major is for all students or for students with disabilities working toward a Special Diploma. The box will expand and provide the list of majors. Select the major, alternate title (if desired) and individual courses.
- B) To edit a Major, click the “edit” link. Here you may edit the alternate title and select or de-select courses. (NOTE- Review MAIs that include Career Technical Education (CTE) programs; you are now able to de-select courses within the program.)
- C) To delete a Major, click the “delete” link. A confirmation message will appear.