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**TO:** District School Superintendents

**FROM:** Dr. Frances Haithcock

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**SUBJECT:** Approved Providers for 2009-10

Section 1002.45, F.S., creates the School District Virtual Instruction Program and requires all school districts to provide this virtual instruction program to eligible students beginning in 2009-10. School districts may operate their own virtual instruction program, enter into a multi-district agreement or contract with an approved provider to provide virtual instruction to district students. Subsection (2) in this statute approves *Florida Virtual School* and the two providers operating under section 1002.415, F.S. (*Florida Connections Academy, LLC and K12 Florida, LLC*), to contract with school districts.

This law also requires the Department of Education to provide a list of additional approved providers to school districts by March 1 of each year for the following school year. Providers seeking approval must submit an electronic application to the Department.

The Department has completed the application review for the 2009-10 school year and has approved the following additional providers:

Provider Name: Advanced Academics

Program Type: Drop-out Prevention, Grades 9-12

Provider Name: *CompuHigh* 

Program Type: Full-time/Part-time, Grades 6-12

Provider Name: *Educational Options, Inc.* 

Program Type: Full-time/Part-time, Grades 6-12

Provider Name: Kaplan Virtual Education

Program Type: Full-time/Part-time, Grades 6-12

If you have questions about the School District Virtual Instruction Program or the list of additional approved providers, please contact Sally Roberts at <u>Sally.Roberts@fldoe.org</u> or (850) 245-9617.

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