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**TO:** District Superintendents  
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**FROM:** Dr. Eric J. Smith

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**SUBJECT: THE KINSEY COLLECTION: A New Curriculum Project on Florida iTunes U**

A new and exciting curriculum project has been developed based on [The Kinsey Collection: Shared Treasures of Bernard and Shirley Kinsey - "Where Art and History Intersect."](#) Rich with links to primary- and secondary-source documents, [The Kinsey Curriculum Project](#) is an eighteen-image virtual excerpt of the full Kinsey Collection and the newest Florida Department of Education addition to [Florida iTunes U](#) for Florida's K-12 educators and students in language arts, social studies, visual art, theatre, and music.

This material may be used to support, in part, mandated instruction required by Section [1003.42, F.S., Required instruction](#). The activities, integrated across content areas and designed to be infused into the curriculum, may be used to support study in such areas as the contributions of women; Florida history; patriotism; character development; issues of prejudice, racism, and stereotyping; tolerance of diversity in a pluralistic society; and the history of African Americans.

Believing that all Americans need to learn about and communicate across perceived lines—gender, race, socio-economics, and more—Bernard and Shirley Kinsey assembled significant artifacts and works of art, and have shared significant portions of their collection, first through the [Norton Museum of Art](#) in West Palm Beach, and now through [The Mary Brogan Museum of Art and Science](#) in Tallahassee. The Kinsey Collection will be on exhibition at the Brogan Museum through mid-March 2010, after which it will be moved to [The Smithsonian Institute](#) in Washington, D.C.

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