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MEMORANDUM

TO: District School Superintendents

FROM: Pam Stewart

DATE: March 5, 2013

SUBJECT: 2013 Summer Reading Camps Planning and Reporting

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The purpose of this memo is to share information with you regarding the planning and reporting of the 2013 Summer Reading Camps for third-grade students scoring Level 1 on the 2013 FCAT 2.0. These camps have become a vital part of elementary school instruction, and Florida's children are stronger readers because of your dedication and commitment to this program.

Summer camp plans must be submitted at www.justreadflorida.com by **Friday, March 29, 2013**. The Just Read, Florida! office will review plans as they are submitted and provide feedback by **Monday, April 15, 2013**. The Guidance for 2013 Summer Reading Camps is attached. The district contact for summer reading camps must create a reading camp schedule that facilitates intensive reading intervention. The suggested model incorporates adequate time, research-based reading programs, effective supplementary materials, and progress monitoring to provide instruction according to student needs. The appropriate course code for students served in a summer reading camp is **5010050**.

In order to assist you in planning for summer reading camps, we have included the check list provided last year and a document based on last summer's site visits. We hope both documents will aid you in evaluating and planning for instruction and delivery of summer reading camp plans. These documents may also be found on the Third-Grade Summer Reading Camps webpage at <http://www.justreadflorida.com/camps/>. We will once again conduct a series of

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summer reading camp site visits in order to help support best practices in summer reading camp instruction.

As a reminder, please note that charter school third-grade students scoring Level 1 must have the opportunity to attend a summer camp. Since many charter schools are too small to warrant a summer camp, it is incumbent upon the district to ensure that these students are allowed to attend a summer camp at a neighboring larger school.

If you have any questions about summer reading camps, please contact Hope Colle. Thank you for your continued support of reading initiatives in our state.

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cc: Third-Grade Summer Reading Camp Contacts
K-12 Comprehensive Reading Plan Contacts

Attachments