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MEMORANDUM

TO: Select School District Superintendents

FROM: Pam Stewart

DATE: March 10, 2014

SUBJECT: School Health Profiles Survey

The Florida Department of Education is conducting the fifth annual School Health Profiles (profiles) survey for principals and lead health education teachers to assess the status of school health policies and programs at the secondary levels. Florida collected weighted data from the profiles administration in 2006, 2008, 2010 and 2012. With your support in 2014, we can achieve trend data, which will best support quality health education in our state. Attached is a sample trend fact sheet.

Your district was chosen to participate in this survey opportunity to gather important information about health education policies and programs that impact our youth. Each chosen school will receive a packet with two questionnaire booklets; one for the principal and one for the lead health education teacher to complete.

With an accurate view of the extent of current school health education activities, we can plan and allocate programs adequately. The profiles are critical for designing and administering programs to meet the needs of our teachers and students, as well as providing a basis for future requests for funding.

Should you have any questions, please call Michelle L. Gaines, Florida Department of Education Healthy Schools, at 850-245-0978 or email at Michelle.Gaines@fldoe.org.

Thank you for your support of this survey effort.

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Attachment

cc: School District Health Education Coordinators; Select School Principals