MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents

FROM: Hershel Lyons

DATE: December 16, 2016

SUBJECT: Every Student Succeeds Act Update

The United States Department of Education regulations for accountability, state plans and data reporting were released November 29, 2016, effective January 30, 2017. Of note, the state plan due dates are pushed back to either April 3 or September 18, 2017. The timeline for school improvement decisions based on the accountability system is moved back to 2018-2019. On December 8, 2016, regulations for assessment were released, effective January 9, 2017. All regulations are posted on our ESSA website at http://www.fldoe.org/academics/essa.stml. Final regulations have not yet been released on the topic of supplement not supplant and non-regulatory guidance on several topics will also be released.

If there are any further updates after the first of the year, we will be sure to inform you. In the meantime, the department will continue to analyze the implications of the regulation language and plan the next phase of public input.

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cc: School District Deputy Superintendents
    School District Assistant Superintendents
    School District Accountability Directors
    School District Assessment Directors
    School District Curriculum Directors
    School District Federal Programs Directors