MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents

FROM: Jacob Oliva

DATE: September 4, 2020

SUBJECT: Specific Appropriations 8 and 92 – Library Media Allocation

Specific Appropriations 8 and 92 of the 2020-2021 General Appropriations Act authorized $12,492,403 of instructional materials funds for library media materials. Each district’s allocation is listed on the attached copy of the instructional materials funding table.

The library media categorical funds are intended for a specific purpose – the purchase of library media resources to be checked out by students and teachers through the school library. Specifically, library media materials include those items normally purchased under Function 6200 (Instructional Media Resources). Per section 1006.40(4), Florida Statutes (F.S.), these items include library books, reference materials, audiovisual and electronic media, and periodical and/or information database subscriptions. The description under s. 1006.40(4), F.S., does not include equipment purchases or supplies. As a reminder, statute 1006.40(3)(d) states that, “Any materials purchased pursuant to this section must be: 1. Free of pornography and material prohibited under s. 847.012.”

Additionally, materials acquired with these funds must be cataloged and inventoried as part of the library media collection. Any funds not expended at the end of the year may be carried forward to be used for the same purpose in the subsequent fiscal year.

If you have additional questions, please contact Amber Baumbach, Library Media and Instructional Materials Specialist, at 850-245-9115 or via email at Amber.Baumbach@fldoe.org.

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Attachment

cc: School District Library Media Supervisors