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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Cheri Pierson Yecke, Ph.D.

DATE: March 27, 2007

SUBJECT: 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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I am pleased to announce the release of the 2007-2008 Request for Proposal for competitive projects for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program (21st CCLC), reauthorized under Title IV, Part B, of the No Child Left Behind Act.

The 21st Century Community Learning Centers program is designed to provide expanded academic enrichment opportunities for children attending low performing schools during non-school hours. All centers must provide a range of high-quality services to support student learning and development, including, but not limited to; tutoring and mentoring, homework assistance, academic enrichment (e.g., hands-on science, technology programs), community service opportunities, music, art, sports, and cultural activities.

The State of Florida currently funds 47 counties, 91 projects, 308 21st CCLC sites, and 777 schools across the state. The proposal application and all accompanying forms can be found at <http://www.fldoe.org/curriculum/21century/competitive-rfp.asp>

The original and four copies of the application must be received by the Florida Department of Education no later than Wednesday, May 9, 2007.

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The funds will be awarded through a competitive grant process based on the implementation of research-based academic improvement practices, through collaborative efforts, and meeting the grant criteria.

If you have further questions, please contact Lani Lingo at (850) 245-0852 or via e-mail at Lani.Lingo@fldoe.org.

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