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MEMORANDUM

TO: District School Superintendents

FROM: Dr. Frances Haithcock

DATE: October 1, 2010

SUBJECT: **Request for Nominations for Sunshine State Scholars**

We are pleased to announce that, with funding support from the Florida Education Foundation, a revised Sunshine State Scholars program is being implemented during academic year 2010-11. This revised program will recognize an outstanding high school junior from each school district with an interest in pursuing postsecondary education opportunities in Florida.

The attached document provides the minimum selection criteria for district nominees as well as other criteria that districts may want to use for determining their nominees. District nominees and their parents or guardians will be invited to attend a recognition and recruiting conference in Orlando on February 17-18, 2011.

Districts should provide the following information regarding their Sunshine State Scholar and an alternate to Teresa Sweet (Teresa.Sweet@fldoe.org) via e-mail on or before Friday, January 15, 2011:

- Full Names for the District's Sunshine State Scholar and alternate
- High Schools for the District Sunshine State Scholar and alternate
- Current mailing address for the District Sunshine State Scholar and alternate
- Best e-mail addresses to contact the students
- Best e-mail addresses to contact the students' parents or guardians

Questions should be directed in writing to Teresa Sweet with the Office of Mathematics and Science.

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