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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
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FROM: Ms. Loretta Costin, Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education
Dr. Frances Haithcock, Chancellor, Division of Public Schools

DATE: March 28, 2011

SUBJECT: **Gold Standard Career Pathways Industry Certification Articulation**

On December 17, 2010, The State Board of Education approved seventeen (17) new statewide Gold Standard Career Pathways Articulation Agreements based on Industry Certification. This action brings the total number of Gold Standard statewide articulation agreements to 102. These agreements are for awarding college credit for a specified level of competency as validated by a third party "gold standard" industry certification or professional licensure. All 102 Gold Standard statewide agreements are posted at: http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/dwdframe/artic_indcert2aas.asp.

In order to receive this credit, a student must be admitted to a college in the Florida College System and enroll in the AAS or AS degree program named in the articulation agreement within three (3) years of earning their industry certification or licensure. A student must request the articulated college credit for an industry certification and show their certificate at registration. College registrars can validate a certificate via the student's electronic transcript or by other institutional methods.

Please share this information with registrars and management information officers in your schools to assure that students are aware of this great opportunity to be awarded college credit, and that schools report all students taking advantage of articulated credit for industry certifications.

For more information about these articulation agreements, contact Ms. Belinda Chason, Director, Career and Technical Education Programs at (850) 245-9020.

Thank you.

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