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MEMORANDUM

TO: District School Superintendents

FROM: Pam Stewart

DATE: September 14, 2012

SUBJECT: 2012-2013 21st Century Community Learning Centers Request for Proposal
– Extended Learning Time

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The Florida Department of Education is pleased to announce the release of the 2012-2013 Request for Proposal (RFP) for competitive projects for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program (21st CCLC), authorized under Title IV, Part B, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended.

The purpose of the program under ESEA flexibility is to permit an eligible entity to use 21st CCLC funds to provide activities that support high-quality expanded learning time (ELT) during an expanded school day, week, or year.

Florida's 21st CCLC afterschool programs are designed to help students, particularly those who attend low-income, low-performing schools throughout Florida, meet state and local academic achievement standards in core academic subjects through educational and enrichment opportunities. In addition, 21st CCLC programs provide youth development activities, drug and violence prevention programs, technology education programs, art, music and recreation programs, counseling and character education to enhance the academic component of the program.

The proposal must be received by the Florida Department of Education no later than October 31, 2012. The proposal application and all accompanying forms can be found by accessing this link: <http://www.fldoe.org/curriculum/21century/>.

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

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Lani Lingo by phone at (850) 245-0852 or by e-mail at Lani.Lingo@fldoe.org.

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