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Re: St. Petersburg College - Request Site Designation Change from Center to Campus
for Tarpon Springs

Dear David:

St. Petersburg College is requesting that the State Board of Education change the site designation of the Tarpon Springs Center to Tarpon Springs Campus. The Tarpon Springs Center has been operating from its existing site since August 1975. With the purchase of the Olympia Building in 2002, it encompasses approximately 89.37 acres and includes 16 permanent buildings.

The Non-weighted FTE Enrollment Funded -30, Lower Level, Capital Outlay Formula Budget Projections – Division Projections with College Adjustments for St. Petersburg College for 2004-05 through 2009-10 are as follows*:

	St. Petersburg College	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
1	District Office	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	Clearwater Campus	3,279	3,455	3,636	3,818	4,005	4,196
3	St. Petersburg/Gibbs Campus	4,169	4,379	4,597	4,818	5,042	5,267
4	Seminole Campus	621	653	684	717	750	783
5	Tarpon Springs Center	2,065	2,170	2,275	2,384	2,492	2,603
6	Bay Pines Facility	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	ICOT/EpiCenter	629	649	669	691	711	729
8	Health Education Center	820	861	904	945	989	1,033
9	Allstate Center	784	823	864	904	945	988
10	Firing Range	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Total	12,386	13,010	13,650	14,299	14,957	15,623

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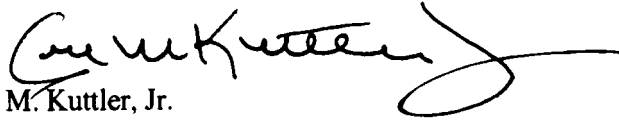
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State Board of Education Guidelines for designation of a new campus specify the new campus should have documented FTE of at least 1,000, and that any other existing campus should have documented FTE of at least 3,000. Tarpon's FTE is beyond 2,000, and both Clearwater and St. Petersburg/Gibbs campuses have FTE beyond 3,000.

Two of the three existing campuses meet the requirement of being over 3,000 FTE. The College asks for an exception for the number of FTE required on Seminole Campus where the FTE for 2003-2004 was approximately 619, and the current 5-year projections only take it to 783. Since the Seminole Campus is just starting its growth pattern and does not yet have facilities to house the required FTE, the College requests a waiver for this requirement. Because of the distance of the Seminole Campus from Tarpon Springs, and the fact that Clearwater Campus is between Seminole and Tarpon, it does not impact this request. All other requirements have been met for the Tarpon Springs site to become a campus.

Warmest regards,



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