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MEMORANDUM

TO: Statewide Adult Education Directors

FROM: Rod Duckworth 

DATE: January 30, 2018

SUBJECT: **Standardized Assessment Waiver, Diploma Code**

Effective immediately, students with disabilities who have withdrawn from the K-12 system and possess a statewide, standardized assessment waiver, may now transfer this waiver to the Adult High School (AHS) program upon enrollment.

The extension of the waiver to the AHS program only applies to students who received waivers as a part of [1008.22\(3\)\(c\)](#) F.S. Additional information can be found at the [Waiver of Statewide, Standardized Assessment Results for Students with Disabilities TA Paper](#).

Statutory authority prohibits adult education programs from issuing waivers; however, for students without a waiver but self-identify as having a disability, every effort should be made by the program to provide accommodations and necessary support services to assist the students in meeting their goals to complete their high school diploma.

Below are key points regarding this new policy:

- The waiver issued to the ESE students in K-12 may now be transferred to the AHS program;
- The waiver is a waiver of test results, not attempts;
- The waiver must be issued by the K-12 system, not Adult High School program;
- Programs can begin to honor this now;
- This opportunity extends to those students currently enrolled in AHS

For reporting purposes, when the adult high school student has earned the standard high school diploma with a standardized assessment waiver use either W58 or W59 diploma value when submitting the type of diploma awarded to the student. Please refer to the following link:
<http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/18496/urlt/1718-114025.pdf>

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