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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Community College Presidents  
District School Superintendents

**FROM:** J. David Armstrong, Jr.  
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**SUBJECT:** SUCCEED, Florida! Career Paths Grants for 2006

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The State Board of Education has included \$31 million for SUCCEED, Florida! grants in its 2006–2007 Legislative Budget Request. This requested appropriation will provide grants to school districts to fund some or all of the costs associated with the implementation, redesign or planning of a career and professional academy. This initiative will assist in achieving the Department of Education’s Strategic Imperative 8: Coordinate Efforts to Improve Higher Student Learning.

In order to provide needed information to the Legislature, we are issuing the enclosed Request for Concept Paper. A project detailed in the concept paper should focus on the following:

- A career and professional academy that includes a rigorous and relevant standards-based academic curriculum delivered through a career based theme using instruction relevant to the career
- One or more partnerships with businesses, employers or industry economic development agencies
- Partnerships with postsecondary institutions to maximize transferability of credits earned by students

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- Program offerings that correlate directly with industry certifications, with targeted high-priority local business and career opportunities, and with high-growth, high-demand, and high-pay occupations
- Strong eligibility criteria for student participation

If funds were received in 2005–2006 through a SUCCEED, Florida! Career Paths grant, a concept paper may also be submitted for a continuation grant.

Enclosed are the Request for Concept Paper, a Project Summary Form, and a Projected Enrollments and Expenditures Chart. A Florida school district may submit up to five (5) concept papers, including requests for continuation funding of a prior year's SUCCEED, Florida! Career Paths grant. Concept papers must be prioritized with the district's top priority being number one. The total request for all projects from a district should not exceed \$1,000,000.

Concept papers are due to the Department of Education, Division of Community Colleges and Workforce Education, by February 17, 2006. They must be submitted via email to:

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Enclosures

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School District Technical Center Directors  
Local Career and Technical Directors  
Commission for Independent Education  
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