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March 5, 2012

MEMORANDUM

TO: Adult Education Directors (School District, College, and Community-Based Organizations)
Career and Technical Education Directors
Technical Center Directors
Florida College Occupational Deans
Farmworker Jobs and Education Program Coordinators

FROM: Kathleen Taylor, Interim Chancellor 

SUBJECT: Appointment of Chancellor for the Division of Career and Adult Education

It is my pleasure to announce that Commissioner Gerard Robinson has appointed Mr. Rod Duckworth as Chancellor for the Division of Career and Adult Education effective March 12, 2012. Mr. Duckworth has extensive state and national experience in career and technical education having most recently served as the Interim Deputy Director for Career and Technical Education (CTE) in the Arkansas Department of Career Education.

Mr. Duckworth began his career as a classroom teacher and student organization advisor; he managed several national programs for the National FFA Organization in Alexandria, Virginia. Mr. Duckworth served as the State Program Director for Agriculture Education in Washington State and was later appointed as State Director of Career and Technical Education, a position he held until he returned to his home state of Arkansas in 2007 to serve in various roles in the Arkansas Department of Career Education.

On behalf of the Division of Career and Adult Education, please join me in welcoming Chancellor Duckworth to Florida. He will surely look forward to meeting you in the weeks and months to come and learn about your dedicated efforts to serve the students of Florida through quality workforce education programs.

In closing, I would like to offer my sincere thanks to you for your assistance and support over the past few months as I served as Interim Chancellor. It has been a pleasure to work with you in this capacity.

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