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September 16, 2010

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** District Career and Technical Education Directors  
Technical Center Directors  
Florida College Occupational Deans

**FROM:** Loretta Costin, Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education *Loretta Costin*

**SUBJECT:** Industry Certification for Electronic Transcripts and Articulation

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Since 2008, eighty-five (85) statewide Gold Standard Career Pathways Industry Certification Articulation Agreements have been approved by the State Board of Education. These are agreements for awarding college credit for a specified level of competency as validated by a third-party "gold standard" industry certification or professional licensure. In order to receive this credit, a student must be admitted to a college in the Florida College System and enroll in the AAS or AS degree program named in the articulation agreement within three (3) years of earning their industry certification. The Gold Standard Industry Certification Articulation Agreements may be viewed at [http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/dwdframe/artic\\_indcert2aas.asp](http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/dwdframe/artic_indcert2aas.asp).

Data elements exist for the submission of Industry Certification Identifiers on secondary and postsecondary FASTER Electronic Transcripts for career and technical education students. These are validated elements which can be populated from either the secondary or postsecondary list of identifiers based upon the type of electronic transcript submitted. Guidelines for submission of these elements can be found for 2009-10 and 2010-11 on the FASTER User Manual:

2009-10 Industry Certification Identifier: <http://www.fldoe.org/faster/man10910/appx-i5.htm#item10d>

2009-10 Industry Certification Outcome: <http://www.fldoe.org/faster/man10910/appx-i5.htm#item10e>

If you have questions about these agreements, please contact John McNeely by telephone at (850) 245-9028 or by e-mail at [john.mcneely@fldoe.org](mailto:john.mcneely@fldoe.org).

Thank you.

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