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MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents
Florida College System Presidents

FROM: Ashley Meros, Ph.D.

DATE: July 20, 2026

SUBJECT: Money-back Guarantee Program Verification and Reporting

Section 1011.803, Florida Statutes (F.S.), establishes the Money-back Guarantee (MBG) Program. This program requires participating educational entities to refund the cost of tuition to eligible students who are unable to secure employment in the field for which they were trained within six months of completing select workforce education programs that prepare students for in-demand, middle-level to high-level wage occupations. The program is intended to strengthen accountability, reinforce employer confidence in workforce education and demonstrate Florida's commitment to high-quality career preparation that leads to meaningful employment.

In academic year 2025-26, each school district and Florida College System institution was required to provide a money-back guarantee for at least three eligible programs (or all programs if the institution offered fewer than three workforce education programs). By **July 1, 2026**, each school district and Florida College System institution was required to designate three additional MBG programs (or all programs if the institution offered fewer than six workforce education programs in total), further expanding the number of programs participating in the initiative.

Following this memorandum, the Division will request, via email, verification of your 2025-26 MBG programs, submission of your 2026-27 programs and the data required for the 2025-26 annual report. Timely submission of this information will assist the Department in meeting its statutory reporting requirements and evaluating implementation of the program statewide.

If you have any questions regarding the Money-back Guarantee Program, please contact the Division of Career and Adult Education at MoneyBackGuarantee@fldoe.org.

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