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MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Directors of Curriculum

FROM: Dr. Steven Neely

DATE: April 10, 2015

SUBJECT: Florida Tutorials and Student Resources

I am pleased to announce the release of <u>FloridaStudents.org</u>. The new site includes hundreds of interactive resources to support student learning in language arts, mathematics, science and civics. The site is readily available to the public and does not require a logon or password to access. The site is designed for use by students and parents and is not to be considered a teacher resource.

FloridaStudents.org currently contains more than 1,900 existing web-based content resources reviewed for alignment to the Florida Standards. The resources include virtual manipulatives, videos, worksheets, activities and texts for students to use as needed to supplement classroom activities. The site contains dozens of original tutorials designed by Florida educators to meet the Florida Standards. The number of original tutorials will grow to nearly 700 as we progress through the rest of this academic year.

The greatest number of current resources is biology and science followed closely by civics and mathematics. ELA resources are greatest in the higher grades. Our priorities for further development are ELA 3rd grade, mathematics K-5, science and civics. We invite subject matter experts in any of these fields to participate in the development process.

The site will continue to grow in the months ahead, and we look forward to your feedback as we work to build more content and add features. Please make sure to visit the site and share it as a resource with your students and their parents. We welcome your comments and suggestions at FloridaStudents.org.

We look forward to hearing from you.