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MEMORANDUM

TO: Exceptional Student Education Directors

FROM: Bambi J. Lockman 

DATE: May 28, 2010

RE: **EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION – AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS (ASD) ENDORSEMENT**

The Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services is updating information related to frequently asked questions regarding the autism spectrum disorders endorsement. The attached question and answer document replaces guidance previously provided via memorandum released on July 28, 2006, (K-12 Memo 2006-104), and an earlier memorandum dated September 30, 2005, (K-12 Memo 2005-135). Exceptional student education (ESE) teachers are encouraged to work with their principals, ESE directors, and district personnel offices to determine their need for the ASD endorsement.

If you have questions, please contact Ms. Jennifer Hykes, Program Specialist, by telephone at (850) 245-0478 or via electronic mail at jennifer.hykes@fldoe.org.

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Attachment

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