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MEMORANDUM

TO: Early Learning Coalition Executive Directors

FROM: Rodney J. MacKinnon, Interim Executive Director 

SUBJECT: **School Readiness Curricula and Character Development**

Florida Statute 1002.88(1)(g) requires providers to “*implement a character development program to develop basic values.*” This does not require providers to purchase or obtain a separate, additional or supplemental character development curriculum.

On February 20, 2015, the Office of Early Learning issued a memo on implementing a school readiness character development program. The memo included a revised list of 2014-2015 Approved School Readiness Curricula with an additional column noting publishers who submitted a character development component for informational purposes.

Since submitting or indicating a character development component was not required during the review process, some curricula publishers may not have included that component of their curricula. Attached is a revised list of approved curricula for the 2014-2015 year that no longer distinguishes which publishers indicated character development.

To assist coalitions in determining if providers are implementing character development programs, we have attached two provider questionnaire templates. These are not mandatory and are simply included as suggestions for your convenience.

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