April 17, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Thomas R. Bice
State Superintendent of Education

RE: College- and Career-Ready Standards Implementation Survey

One of the cornerstones of PLAN 2020 is the commitment to graduating students who are college and career ready. As such, we must also be committed to fully implementing our state’s College- and Career-Ready Standards (CCRS) and the use of those standards to drive our progress. A great deal of training focused on implementation of the CCRS has been provided to systems and schools, and a tremendous amount of support has been made available to assist in the implementation of the standards.

The Office of Student Learning and the Research and Development Section have jointly developed a short survey that will provide an opportunity for teachers, leaders, instructional coaches, counselors, and other professionals from around the state to anonymously provide input into the quality of the CCRS training provided, the effectiveness of the support given subsequent to that training, and our readiness as a state to fully implement the new standards. The survey can be accessed at the following link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZQCC73N

Input from professionals across Alabama is very important, and the intent is to utilize your input and the input of your staffs to further focus and refine our efforts for the coming year. We would like to analyze survey responses prior to the end of May. Therefore, I am requesting that the surveys be completed by May 9, 2014.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the survey, please contact Dr. Tony Thacker at tthacker@alsde.edu or (334) 242-9742; or Ms. Gay Finn at gfinn@alsde.edu or 334-353-1026.

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