April 16, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO:         City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM:       Thomas R. Bice
            State Superintendent of Education

RE:  Alabama Statewide Transition Needs Assessment Survey

The Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), Special Education Services (SES), State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG), in collaboration with the Auburn Transition Leadership Institute (ATLI), is conducting the Alabama Statewide Transition Needs Assessment Survey. The ALSDE is gathering information from professionals who serve transition-age (14-21) students with disabilities. These professionals include, but may not be limited to, district and school administrators; special education teachers, specialists, and coordinators; career and technical education teachers and administrators; job coaches and administrators; school counselors and psychometrists; general education co-teachers; rehabilitation counselors; and mental health case managers. The information gathered from this survey will be used to evaluate the transition programs and services provided to Alabama’s transition-age students with disabilities.

All local education agencies are receiving this notification and are requested to participate in this assessment to ensure that a wide array of perspectives are represented. Participation in this transition needs survey is strongly encouraged. This survey should be completed no later than Friday, June 5, 2015.

The Alabama Statewide Transition Needs Assessment Survey may be accessed at the following Web site at https://web.auburn.edu/institute/alsde/TNAS/.

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cc: City and County Special Education Coordinators

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