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September 8, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Adult Education Administrators and Chief GED Examiners Lucy D. Hadi *Amylikal*⁻⁻

FROM: Lucy D. Hadi

SUBJECT: Increase of GED Fees

On August 19, 2008, the Florida State Board of Education approved an amendment to rule 6A-6.021, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), regarding State of Florida High School Diplomas that will allow GED Testing Sites to increase student fees for the full test battery to not more than \$70 (from \$50); for retaking the Social Studies, Science, Reading, or Mathematics subtests not more than \$14 (from \$10); and for retaking the Writing Skills subtest not more than \$16 (from \$12).

Fees to be remitted to the Florida Department of Education by each school board, community college, or agency administering the GED Tests were approved to be increased as follows: Entire battery of five (5) tests from \$17 to \$28; retake of the Social Studies, Science, Reading, or Mathematics tests from \$4 to \$7; and retake of the Writing test from \$5 to \$8. Duplication of diplomas and transcripts were approved to be increased from \$4 to \$6 and conversion of out-of-state-scores from \$7 to \$10.

Rule 6A-6.021, F.A.C., State of Florida High School Diplomas, establishes the standards and processes for the administration of the General Educational Development (GED) Test as a high school equivalency examination in accordance with the policies and procedures of the American Council on Education. This rule includes the fee schedule (approved in 1998) to be collected by each school board, college, or agency administering the GED Tests; and fees to be remitted to the Department by the testing centers.

Attached please find the revised rule which will be filed with the Secretary of State 14 days after date of State Board approval; there will then be a minimum of 20 days before it becomes effective. You are permitted by rule to implement your new fee schedule immediately after it is in force; however, the department will not implement its allowable increases until November 1st, 2008. Please plan accordingly and let us know if there is anything we can do to assist you in smoothly transitioning to the changes this amendment outlines.

LDH/apw

Enclosure