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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 1, 2016

TO: District School Superintendents
District Directors of Maintenance

FROM: Linda Champion 

SUBJECT: Florida School District Plant Maintenance and Operations Cost Information

The 2014–2015 Annual Maintenance and Operations Cost Information report for each public school district in Florida is available on the Office of Educational Facilities website at: <http://fldoe.org/finance/edual-facilities/annual-energy-maintenance-operations-r.shtml>. This information is compiled annually from the financial data provided by school districts to the Department of Education.

Plant maintenance costs reported under funding code “Function 8100” consist of activities for keeping the grounds, buildings and equipment at an acceptable level of efficiency through repairs or preventive maintenance. Plant maintenance does not include: equipment repair services that are direct costs of specific programs within the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP); equipment repair services rendered for the functions of pupil transportation, food services, and routine maintenance of audiovisual equipment; and maintenance force labor used to construct facilities.

Plant operations costs reported under funding code “Function 7900” include utilities (lights, heating, cooling, water, telephone service, trash collection and sewage disposal); custodial costs (cleaning and disinfecting); safety (security and school crossing guards); grounds keeping; insurance premiums; and general administrative activities as directed by school superintendents and directors of maintenance. Administrative activities may include, but are not limited to, moving furniture and similar tasks that are performed on a daily, weekly, monthly or seasonal basis.

Linda Champion
Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations

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In comparing school districts' data, please remember that costs for materials, labor and personnel, and other factors may have an impact maintenance operations expenditures, and may vary throughout Florida.

Should you have any questions, please contact Annabelle Wright at annabelle.wright@fldoe.org or 850-245-9298.

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Attachment

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