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May 13, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Florida Farmworker Jobs and Education Program Supervisors

FROM: Loretta Costin 

SUBJECT: Interim Director Announcement

On behalf of the Florida Department of Education, the Division of Career and Adult Education, we are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Christopher Rivera to the position of Interim Director of the Florida Farmworker Jobs and Education Program effective May 1, 2011.

Mr. Rivera comes to the position with an impressive history of service, leadership and program management in the fields of Social Services, Education, and Technology. He has direct experience with the Workforce Investment Act (WIA Section 167) program and partnerships and demonstrated expertise with at-risk populations, specifically farm workers, Title I students, and immigrants.

During the past year, Mr. Rivera has been instrumental in the implementation of this office's initiatives, partnering with numerous agencies to ensure quality programs and services.

Please join me in congratulating Mr. Rivera as we transition to new leadership. We continue to encourage your input.

In addition to Mr. Rivera, you may also contact Gloria Spradley-Brown, Bureau Chief, Grants Administration and Compliance, at (850) 245-9053 or e-mail: Gloria.Spradley@fldoe.org.

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