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April 1, 2011

Mr. Tim Wyrosdick, Superintendent  
Santa Rosa County School District  
5086 Canal Street  
Milton, Florida 32570-2257

Dear Superintendent Wyrosdick:

The Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services is in receipt of your district's response to the preliminary findings of its 2010-11 Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Compliance Self-Assessment. This letter and the attached document comprise the final report for Santa Rosa County School District's 2010-11 Level 1 and Fall Cycle Level 2 self-assessment monitoring process.

The self-assessment system is designed to address the major areas of compliance related to the State Performance Plan (SPP)/Annual Performance Report (APR) required under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). SPP Indicator 15, Timely Correction of Noncompliance, requires that the state identify and correct noncompliance **as soon as possible, but in no case later than one year from identification**. While any incident of noncompliance is of concern, in accordance with the language in SPP Indicator 15, the Bureau's current monitoring system considers the timeliness of correction of noncompliance to be of greatest significance.

The results of district self-assessments are included in the State's APR and are used to inform oversight activities, including the selection of districts for on-site monitoring, and the local educational agency (LEA) determinations required under Section 300.603, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations, which result in districts being identified as "meets requirements," "needs assistance," "needs intervention," or "needs substantial intervention."

On January 5, 2011, the preliminary report of findings from the 2010-11 Level 1 and Fall Cycle Level 2 self-assessment process was released to your district's ESE Director. The preliminary report detailed student-specific incidents of noncompliance that required immediate correction. Districts were required to correct all student-specific noncompliance and to provide evidence to the Bureau no later than March 7, 2011. In addition, districts are required to demonstrate that they are now correctly implementing each of the standards identified as noncompliant (i.e., 100 percent compliance).

**BAMBI J. LOCKMAN**  
Chief

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*In its 2010-11 Level 1 and Fall Cycle Level 2 self-assessment, Santa Rosa County School District assessed 84 standards. One or more incidents of noncompliance were identified on 12 of those standards (14.3 %). The following is a summary of the district's timely correction of student-specific incidents of noncompliance:*

**Correction of Noncompliance by Student**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Records Reviewed/Protocols Completed	18	-
Total Items Assessed	486	-
Noncompliant	12	2.5%
Timely Corrected	12	100%

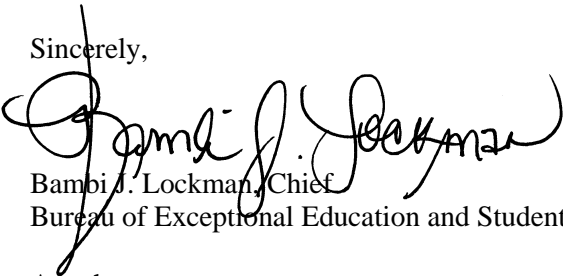
The attached *Santa Rosa County District Summary Report: Findings of Noncompliance by Standard* contains a summary of the findings reported by the individual standard or regulation assessed. In addition, a Matrix of Services review was required. Santa Rosa County School District reviewed eight matrixes for students reported at the 254 or 255 cost factors for weighted funding through the Florida Education Finance Program. No cost factor discrepancies were identified.

In addition to the individual correction(s) reported above, the district was required to demonstrate 100 percent compliance for each standard that was identified as noncompliant through review of a random sample of student records. Your district has provided the required records to demonstrate 100 percent compliance on all of the targeted standards, and no further corrective actions are required.

We understand that the implementation of this self-assessment required a significant commitment of resources and appreciate the time and attention your staff has devoted to the process thus far.

If you have questions regarding this process, please contact your assigned district liaison for monitoring or Patricia Howell, Program Director, at (850) 245-0476 or via electronic mail at [patricia.howell@fldoe.org](mailto:patricia.howell@fldoe.org).

Sincerely,



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Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services

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2010 – 2011 Self-Assessment  
Level 1 and Fall Cycle Level 2  
Santa Rosa County District Summary Report: Findings of Noncompliance by Standard

This report provides a summary of the district's results and must be used when developing corrective actions. See the *Student Report: Incidents of Noncompliance* for student-specific findings. Results are reported by standard, and are based on the following:

Number of DJJ protocols completed: 2  
Number of standards per DJJ: 31  
Number of IEP protocols completed: 8  
Number of standards per IEP: 37  
Number of T16 protocols completed: 8  
Number of standards per T16: 16

Total number of protocols: 18  
Total number of standards: 486  
Total number of incidents of noncompliance (NC): 12  
Overall % incidents of noncompliance: 2.5%

Total number of different standards assessed: 84  
Total number of different standards for which noncompliance was identified: 12  
% of different standards for which noncompliance was identified: 14.3%

Percent of noncompliance is calculated as the # of incidents of noncompliance for a given standard divided by the # of protocols reviewed for that standard, multiplied by 100.

\* **Correctable for the student(s):** A finding which requires immediate action(s) to correct the noncompliance

\*\* **Ensure future compliance:** For findings which cannot be corrected for individual students, corrective actions are required to address how the district will ensure future compliance

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Noncompliance (NC)		*Correctable for the Student(s)	**Ensure Future Compliance	# NC	% NC
T16-9	There is a measurable postsecondary goal or goals in the designated areas (i.e., education/training, employment, and, where appropriate, independent living skills). (34 CFR §300.320(b)(1); Rule 6A-6.03028(3)(h)10a, F.A.C.)	X		1	12.5%
T16-10	The measurable postsecondary goal was based on age-appropriate transition assessment. (34 CFR §300.320(b)(1); Rule 6A-6.03028(3)(h)10a, F.A.C.)	X		1	12.5%
T16-12	There are transition services on the IEP to assist the student in reaching the measurable postsecondary goals. (34 CFR §300.320(b)(2); Rule 6A-6.03411(1)(nn), F.A.C.)	X		1	12.5%
T16-16	The IEP includes appropriate measurable postsecondary goals that are annually updated and based upon: an age-appropriate transition assessment; transition services, including courses of study, that will reasonably enable the student to meet those postsecondary goals; and annual IEP goals related to the student's transition services needs. There also must be evidence that the student was invited to the IEP team meeting where transition services are to be discussed and evidence that, if appropriate, a representative of any participating agency was invited to the IEP team meeting with the prior consent of the parent or student who has reached the age of majority. (34 CFR §§300.320(b)-(c) and 300.321(b); Rule 6A-6.03028(3)(b)-(c) and (h), F.A.C.)	X		1	12.5%
DJJ-2	The parents were provided notice of the IEP team meeting a reasonable amount of time prior to the meeting, at least one attempt to invite the parent was through a written notice, and a second attempt was made if no response was received from the first notice. (34 CFR §300.322(a)(1))		X	1	50.0%
DJJ-3	The notice of the IEP team meeting contained the time, location, and purpose of the meeting. (34 CFR §300.322(b))		X	1	50.0%

Noncompliance (NC)		*Correctable for the Student(s)	**Ensure Future Compliance	# NC	% NC
DJJ-4	The notice contained a listing of persons invited to the meeting, by name or position. (34 CFR §§300.321(a)-(b) and 300.322(b))		X	1	50.0%
DJJ-24	The IEP team considered, in the case of a student whose behavior impedes his or her learning, the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and/or other strategies to address the behavior. (34 CFR §300.324(a)(2)(i))	X		1	50.0%
IEP-5	The notice of the IEP team meeting contained the time, location, and purpose of the meeting. (34 CFR §300.322(b))		X	1	12.5%
IEP-6	The notice contained a listing of persons invited to the meeting, by name or position. (34 CFR §§300.321(a)-(b) and 300.322(b))		X	1	12.5%
IEP-14	The IEP contains a statement of special education services/specially designed instruction, including location as well as initiation, duration, and frequency. (34 CFR §300.320(a)(4) and (7))	X		1	12.5%
IEP-26	The concerns of the parents for enhancing the education of their child were considered in developing the IEP. (34 CFR §§300.324(a)(1)(ii), 300.322(c)-(d), and 300.305(a))	X		1	12.5%