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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Technical Center Directors Florida College System Workforce Administrators

FROM: Henry Mack, Chancellor, Career and Adult Education

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**DATE:** February 18, 2021

## SUBJECT: Survey Open on Postsecondary Work-Based Learning Data Practices

You are invited to participate in a survey to better understand how postsecondary districts and Florida College System institutions collect and use work-based learning data. Information gathered through this survey will play a critical role in shaping decisions this Spring regarding the future of statewide work-based learning data collection.

Work-based learning is an evidence-based CTE practice, an indispensable means of building technical and employability skills, and one of the most effective ways to strength employer relationships within CTE. As such, we have been seeking opportunities to expand and improve the delivery of work-based learning. We know that good decisions start with good data, so in 2020 the Florida Department of Education applied and was awarded a grant to improve postsecondary work-based learning data collection and use through Advance CTE and the ECMC Foundation. The implementation of postsecondary work-based learning data collection during Fall 2021 and a supplemental collection during Spring 2022.

The Division of Career and Adult Education will be hosting an information session and Q/A on this survey on March 3rd, 2021 from 11am to 11:30am. Sign up for this web call now.

Please take a few minutes to let us know your agency's work-based learning data practices (or lack thereof). This information, paired with other research, will inform our decision making on how to collect work-based learning data across Florida.

Take the Postsecondary Work-Based Learning Data Practices in Florida Survey now! Submissions must be received by March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Direct questions and feedback to Lee Chipps-Walton at Lee.Chipps-Walton@fldoe.org.

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