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TO: All Principals

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SUBJECT: COMMON CORE AND STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

The Department of Exceptional Student Education has developed a vodcast to assist schools in navigating the Common Core Sunshine Standards (CCSS) with Students with Disabilities (SWD). The vodcast entitled *Common Core and Students with Disabilities - A Blueprint for Change* is located at the following link: vodcast.palmbeachschools.org/player/IX8UB.

Core Content Connectors (CCC) has been designed for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (SwSCD). The CCC, like the Access Points for CORE courses, are intended for SwSCD. The CCC for Mathematics and English Language Arts are projected to be published this summer. During the 2013-14 school year, SwSCD will continue to work on the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards-Access Points (NGSSS-AP) and will be assessed by the Florida Alternate Assessment. Full implementation of the CCC for grades K-12 will begin in 2014-15 school year. The FLDOE has prepared a brief PowerPoint which explains the CCC and how they align to the CCSS. The PowerPoint can be located at: www.palmbeachschools.org/ese/Curriculum.asp.

If you have any questions please contact Janice Miller at PX 47561.

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