

From: Commissioner Stewart
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2015 3:57 PM
Subject: ACTION NEEDED: Educator Professional Liability Insurance

Dear Superintendents,

I hope that the 2015-2016 school year is off to a great start for you and your district's families. Our state's educators work hard each and every day to educate Florida's students, and they should not be distracted by the fear of financial ruin in the event of a false accusation made against them while on the job.

That is why I am so pleased to share that, effective August 17, 2015, all full-time instructional personnel in Florida (as defined in section [1012.01\(2\), Florida Statutes](#)) have \$2 million of educator professional liability insurance through Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., which was selected through the competitive procurement process.

This insurance covers all costs up to \$2 million dollars, protecting full-time instructional personnel from liability for monetary damages and costs of defense against claims made against educators in their professional capacity. Coverage is subject to standard conditions and exclusions that will be made available to the district school boards.

In accordance with Florida Statutes, all district school boards are required to inform their eligible educators of this coverage using the attached postcard no later than September 1, 2015. To help make this process go as smoothly as possible for you, we have developed a PDF with the relevant information – all you need to do now is fill in the blank with the appropriate contact from your office and distribute the document to all eligible personnel.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in communicating with your district's teachers about this very important topic.

Sincerely,
Pam Stewart

****PLEASE SEE PAGE TWO FOR FORWARDED DOCUMENT REQUIRED FOR FUTURE USE****

AUTOMATIC LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE

EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2015, ALL FULL-TIME
INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL* HAVE **\$2 MILLION**
OF EDUCATOR PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE.

COVERAGE IS SUBJECT TO STANDARD CONDITIONS AND EXCLUSIONS THAT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARDS.

TO FILE A CLAIM, CONTACT GALLAGHER BASSETT SERVICES AT (855) 722-5542,
REFERENCE CLIENT #006510 | AIX SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

CONTACT **Debi Barnwell**
AT 863-494-4222 Ext. 1108
WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING COVERAGE

*AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1012.01(2), FLORIDA STATUTES.



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