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TO: Presidents/CEOs of Degree Granting Institutions in New York State

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SUBJECT: Article 129-A of the Education Law

Each year, pursuant to Article 129-A of the Education Law, all degree granting institutions in New York State are required to file with the NYS Education Department, a certificate of compliance with the provisions of Article 129-A (Education Law §6430(3)). In addition to the annual certification, Article 129-A requires that, once every ten years, institutions are required to file a copy of the written rules for implementing all policies required by Article 129-A and for the maintenance of public order on college campuses and other college property used for educational purposes (Education Law §6430(5)). The submission of copies of the written rules adopted as required by Article 129-A is required this year, 2014.

In order to comply with Article 129-A, please review the requirements of Article 129-A, and, **no later than September 2, 2014**, please:

- 1) Sign and mail the enclosed certification form for 2014-2015 to the address provided below. If the Department did not receive previous years' certification forms from your institution those forms are enclosed with this memorandum and must be signed and submitted in addition to the 2014-2015 certification form. Hard copies with original signatures are required.
- 2) Submit hard copies of all written rules adopted as required by Article 129-A. If you are submitting large documents, handbooks, etc., you must identify the specific pages where the written rules can be found. Please note that Article 129-A does not require you to send the Department copies of all materials and information provided to students in compliance with the provisions of Article 129-A. Institutions are only required to submit copies of the "written rules" that are required by Article 129-A.

The Department requires that the certification(s) and written rules, as described above, be submitted in hard copy, not electronically. The documents should be sent to:

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Hard Copies Sent

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This memorandum, a printable copy of the 2014-2015 certification form, and a link to the provisions of Article 129-A of the Education Law is available on the Department's web site at: <http://www.highered.nysed.gov/ocue/Article129Acert.html>

Please be aware of the following:

Education Law §6430(4) states that, if a college fails to file the certificate of compliance as required by §6430(3), such college shall not be eligible to receive any state aid or assistance until such certificate of compliance is filed. The State Education Department will provide a list of those institutions that are out of compliance with Article 129-A to the Governor, the Legislature and the Higher Education Services Corporation for appropriate action.

In addition, please note that, pursuant to Education Department policy, failure to comply with the requirements of Article 129-A will result in suspension of the review of all pending or new program proposals submitted by the institution to the State Education Department until such time as the institution is in full compliance. Failure to comply with the requirements of Article 129-A may also jeopardize the re-registration of current programs and the accreditation status of the institution.

Enclosure(s)