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TO: Directors of Basic Skills
Compensatory Education Coordinators

FROM: James H. Camp, Ed.D.
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SUBJECT Instructor Workshop: The Thomas S. Student

As more "Thomas S." clients enter our Compensatory Education Program, it becomes critical that we have an understanding of this particular population and how best to work with them in a learning situation. To achieve the above objectives, a one-day workshop will be presented next month in several regions across the state.

This workshop, designed specifically for the Compensatory Education instructor, will be conducted by Dr. Greg Olley of the Center for Development and Learning, UNC, Chapel Hill. Greg's thorough understanding of the nature of this client population, combined with his working knowledge of our Compensatory Education Program, should yield many useful insights and practical tips for instructors.

The enclosed announcement provides further specifics. To facilitate our planning, please complete the brief registration form also enclosed. We look forward to seeing your instructors. Call me if you have questions or need additional information (919/733-7051, ext. 723).

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Enclosures

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UNDERSTANDING AND WORKING WITH THE THOMAS S. STUDENT

Dates/Sites: (Please mark your choice)

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Asheville

_____ March 13, 1998 Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, Salisbury

_____ March 17, 1998 Bladen Community College, Dublin

_____ March 18, 1998 Nash Community College, Rocky Mount

To facilitate our planning, please provide the following information regarding participation from your college.

Community College: _____

Number of Individuals Attending: _____

Contact Person: _____

Please provide this information at least 3 days prior to the presentation of your choice to:

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Audience: Compensatory Education Instructors and Coordinators

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March 17, 1998 Bladen CC, Teaching Auditorium, High Tech Bldg.

March 18, 1998 Nash CC, Rocky Mount, Rm. 4103-05, Bldg. D

Time Frame: 9:30 A.M. until 3:30 P.M.

Focus:

- * The characteristics of individuals in the Thomas S. population
- * The behavioral and educational dimensions to consider in instruction
- * Teaching and behavioral management strategies

The afternoon session will be devoted to the use of problem solving as a framework for teaching critical daily living skills.

A copy of Problem Solving for Life, a manual developed by the Center for Development & Learning at UNC, will be given to each Compensatory Education program represented.

Facilitator: Dr. Greg Olley, Director of Community Programs, Center for Development and Learning, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; psychologist with expertise in developmental/mental disabilities; has conducted workshops and developed products for the Compensatory Education Program.