MEMORANDUM

TO: Presidents
Chief Business Officers
Chief Academic Officers
Senior Continuing Education Administrators

FROM: Jennifer Haygood, Vice President for Business and Finance

SUBJECT: GED Fee Increase Effective January 1, 2013

Under the authority granted under G.S. 115D-5(s), the State Board of Community Colleges has approved a $10 increase to the GED testing fee for the 2013 calendar year. Effective January 1, 2013, the GED paper-based testing fee will be $35. This one-time fee shall be charged to all students who have not taken at least one paper-based test within the GED battery prior to January 1, 2013. This fee increase is necessary to cover an increase in GED scoring costs of paper-based tests.

Prior to the student taking any portion of the GED battery, colleges must collect this fee or have required documentation that a third-party will pay the fee on behalf of the student. The only exception is individuals incarcerated or receiving treatment in institutions operated by the Department of Public Safety (formerly Department of Correction) and the Department of Health and Human Services (formerly Department of Human Resources) as provided by 1E SBCCC 700.98. There are no other provisions for GED testing fees to be waived.

If you have any questions, please contact me at haygoodj@nccommunitycolleges.edu of 919-807-7021.