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DATE: August 6, 2021
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: James F. Lane, Ed.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: **FAQ Guidance Document for Students with Intensive Support Needs**

The purpose of this memo is to provide additional guidance concerning service delivery and partnerships as it relates to Students with Intensive Support Needs. Specifically, the Virginia Department of Education has created a document with Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) as a resource for local school divisions. The information in this document is intended for all school divisions as it relates to service delivery and partnerships.

The FAQ Guidance Document for Students with Intensive Support Needs (**Attachment A**) addresses individualized scenarios and reaffirms the basic requirements related to the provision of a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE). The FAQ also provides valuable information regarding the roles of the legally responsible school division's partnerships related to the provision of special education and related services.

For more information

For further information about the FAQ or questions related to the Students with Intensive Support Needs Application (SISNA), you may contact Cynithia Reid at Cynithia.Reid@doe.virginia.gov.

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- A. Attachment: [FAQ Guidance Document for Students with Intensive Support Needs](#)
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