

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
Innovation and Online Education  
March 28, 2023**

**SUBJECT:** Florida Virtual Campus Textbook & Instructional Materials Survey:  
Key Findings

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

For Information and Discussion

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The cost of textbooks and other instructional materials can significantly increase the cost of postsecondary education for students. To identify strategies to make higher education more affordable, the Florida Virtual Campus (FLVC) continues to research ways to reduce the cost of educational materials. In this regard, the FLVC Office of Distance Learning and Student Services has administered a textbook and instructional materials survey to State University System (SUS) and Florida College System (FCS) students on four occasions: 2012, 2016, 2018, and 2022.

In the 2022 survey, students were asked how the cost of textbooks and instructional materials affects their educational experience. They were also asked about purchasing behaviors, study aids, fee-based inclusive access programs, and online educational resources.

At today's meeting, Dr. John Opper, Executive Director of the FLVC, will present the results of the 2022 student survey that is based on nearly 14,000 SUS and FCS student respondents.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

PowerPoint Presentation  
Infographic  
2022 Survey: Results & Findings

**Facilitators/Presenters:**

Dr. Opper