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TO: Principals, Administrators of Private Special Education Schools, and Special Education Directors

FROM: Heather Heineke, Office of Instruction, Assessment and Curriculum  
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SUBJECT: Rhode Island Alternate Assessment (RIAA) Test Administrators Meeting

RIDE will be facilitating two RIAA meetings to inform administrators about the RIAA. One of the meetings will be at CCRI and the other will be a webinar TBA. The meetings will provide administrators of special education, principals, and other administrators with necessary information to support and supervise administration of the RIAA. The meeting will include the following topics:

- RIAA requirements, timeline and updates
- Student eligibility
- Supporting teachers during data collection periods
- Improvements to the current system
- What's on the horizon for the new alternate assessment (NCSC)

The date, time and location for this meeting is:

**August 22, 2012 from 1 to 3 PM**  
**Community College of RI (CCRI) Knight Campus, Room 4080, located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor, 400 East Avenue, Warwick RI**

Seating is limited so please register **no later than August 17<sup>th</sup>**.

For questions or more information about the Alternate Assessment or this meeting, please contact Heather Heineke, [heather.heineke@ride.ri.gov](mailto:heather.heineke@ride.ri.gov) or 222-8497, or Becky Wright, [becky.wright@ride.ri.gov](mailto:becky.wright@ride.ri.gov) or 222-8404.

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