

**Subject:** RE: Intellectual Freedom and Viewpoint Diversity Survey  
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Interested parties –

The United Faculty of Florida, together with a few individual faculty members and students have challenged the statutory requirement to conduct an annual survey of students and employees' opinions on intellectual freedom and viewpoint diversity on university and colleges campuses. This challenge has been pending in federal court in the Northern District, Tallahassee Division.

Last weekend, the Plaintiffs sought an injunction to stop the survey from being disseminated to students and employees on Monday, April 4. Today, following an evidentiary hearing, the Court denied the Plaintiffs' motion. While the Plaintiffs may appeal the ruling to the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals and seek an emergency stay to prevent the survey from being released, at this time there is no judicial prohibition on opening the survey to students and faculty on April 4 as planned.

In the event Plaintiffs appeal the ruling and the Eleventh Circuit issues an emergency stay, we will let you know immediately.

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