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### **Florida Virtual School® Board Chair Receives Women on the Move Award**

**Orlando, FL (March 21, 2017)** – Dr. Dhyana Ziegler, Florida Virtual School (FLVS®) Board Chair, was recently presented with the “Women on the Move” award from *ONYX Magazine*.

*ONYX Magazine*, Florida’s premiere African-American publication, recently hosted one of the most prestigious celebrations honoring women of color: *Women on the Move*. This event recognizes the accomplishments and contributions of some of Florida’s most influential and impactful women. It celebrates trailblazers who have served to make a difference in their communities. The awards are presented to women who have shattered glass ceilings, and who have paved the way for other women in their profession.



Pictured left to right are Lester Seays, Founder of *ONYX Magazine*; Linda Pellegrini, member of the FLVS Board of Trustees; Dr. Dhyana Ziegler, Chairwoman of the FLVS Board of Trustees; and Ronald Blocker, president and CEO of FLVS.

“It is an absolute honor to receive the “Women on the Move” award,” said Dr. Ziegler. “I am proud to represent Florida Virtual School and Florida A&M University, and to be recognized with these influential women across the state is truly amazing. Women working together is truly a powerful thing, and I am grateful to help pave the way for women of the future.”

Dr. Ziegler is a Garth C. Reeves Eminent Scholar Endowed Chair of Excellence in the School of Journalism and Graphic Communications at Florida A&M University. Prior to that position, Dr. Ziegler served in several administrative positions, including Acting Vice President for Research, Assistant Vice President for Instructional Technology and Distance Learning, and Interim Director of the Office of International Education and Development. She is the author of three books, more than 50 scholarly publications, referred journal articles, professional publications, and has produced more than 100 videos and other multimedia productions. Dr. Ziegler has received numerous awards and recognitions for her many contributions, including being knighted as a Dame of Justice in England in 2008.

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Dr. Ziegler is a resident of Tallahassee, Florida.

To learn more about *ONYX Magazine*, visit their site at <http://onyxmagazine.com/>.

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[Florida Virtual School® \(FLVS®\)](http://www.flvs.net) is a fully accredited, statewide public school district offering more than 150 courses to Kindergarten-12 students. Its certified teachers use a variety of personalized instructional programs to create individualized educational plans for every student. Since 1997, FLVS students have successfully completed more than 3.1 million semester enrollments. FLVS also provides its courseware and expertise to online and blended learning programs across the nation. Services include content licensing, FLVS Global School, District Virtual Schools, digital learning labs, and professional development. As a not-for-profit, FLVS reinvests revenue into the development of new educational technologies and the creation of the highest-quality courses, benefiting students in Florida and beyond. To learn more, visit [www.flvs.net](http://www.flvs.net).

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