



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Annual Accounting of Charter Administrative Fee

Background

Louisiana state law (R.S. 17:3995) permits chartering authorities to annually charge each charter school they authorize a fee in an amount up to two percent of the total per pupil amount that is received by a charter school for administrative overhead costs incurred by the chartering authority for considering the charter application and any amendment thereto, providing monitoring and oversight of the school, collecting and analyzing data of the school, and for reporting on school performance.

In accordance with this law, the Louisiana Department of Education and the Recovery School District together withhold two percent of the total per pupil amount from Type 5 charter schools and 0.25 percent from Type 2 charter schools.

Below please find an accounting of what charter administrative funds the Department received and spent during the 2013-14 fiscal year and projections for the 2014-15 fiscal year. Although the Department expends funds in excess of those provided by the charter admin fee in order to provide the necessary support and services, the following accounting only reflects the use of admin funds received.

Details

2013-14 Admin Fee Revenue	
Type 5 Fees @ 1.75%	\$ 5,217,431
Type 2 Fees @ 0.25%	\$ 308,401
Total Admin Fee	\$ 5,525,832

2014-15 Admin Fee Revenue	
Type 5 Fees @ 1.75%	\$ 5,731,771
Type 2 Fees @ 0.25%	\$ 387,571
Total Admin Fee	\$ 6,119,342

Expenditures of Admin Fee in 2013-14	
Salaries	\$ 3,528,191
Related Benefits	\$ 1,448,894
Travel & Training	\$ 12,597
Operating Services	\$ 196,533
Supplies	\$ 2,654
Professional Services	\$ 234,008
Other Charges	\$ 2,780
IAT	\$ 100,175
Total Expenditures	\$ 5,525,832

Expenditures of Admin Fee in 2014-15	
Salaries	\$ 3,375,857
Related Benefits	\$ 1,424,460
Travel & Training	\$ 17,565
Operating Services	\$ 494,070
Supplies	\$ 11,058
Professional Services	\$ 262,292
Other Charges	\$ 369,392
IAT	\$ 164,649
Total Expenditures	\$ 6,119,342