

LOUISIANADEPARTMENTOF 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, 0.25 percent from Type 2 charter schools, and 0.25 percent from Type 3B charter schools.

Below please find an accounting of what charter administrative funds the Department received and spent during the 2014-15 fiscal year and projections for the 2015-16 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

2014-15 Admin Fee Revenue (\$)	
Type 5 Fees @ 2.0%	5,903,668
Type 2 Fees @ 0.25%	430,483
Type 3B Fees @ 0.25%	N/A
Total Admin Fee	6,334,151

Expenditures of Admin Fee in 2014-15 (\$)	
Salaries	2,830,764
Related Benefits	1,679,855
Travel & Training	14,602
Operating Services	930,370
Supplies	40,653
Professional Services	287,987
Other Charges	137,969
IAT	179,683
Total Expenditures	6,101,884

2015-16 Admin Fee Revenue (\$)	
Type 5 Fees @ 2.0%	6,018,331
Type 2 Fees @ 0.25%	431,516
Type 3B Fees @ 0.25%	15,697
Total Admin Fee	6,449,847

Expenditures of Admin Fee in 2015-16 (\$)	
Salaries	2,830,764
Related Benefits	1,679,855
Travel & Training	22,243
Operating Services	1,114,368
Supplies	55,113
Professional Services	350,406
Other Charges	170,265
IAT	226,833
Total Expenditures	6,449,847

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