

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DATE: June 30, 2015

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TO: Parish/City School Superintendents

Superintendent of Recovery School District Deans, Colleges of Education of Louisiana State

University and Southern University

Deputy Secretary, Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ)

Chief Executive Officer, N. O. Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA)

Executive Director, LA School for Math, Science and the Arts (LSMSA)

Type 2 Charter School Board Presidents Type 5 Charter School Board Presidents

FROM: John White

State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: FY 2015-16 Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Allocation

The General Appropriations Bill, Act 16, of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature provides \$3,634,327,940 in funding for the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Formula defined in Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 55 of the 2014 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

The MFP allocation includes funding for the 69 city/parish school systems, LSU and Southern Lab Schools, Type 2 Charter Schools, Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ), New Orleans Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA), Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, (LSMSA), and the Recovery School District (RSD Chartered.)

MFP Budget Letter Documents

- 1. Detailed listing of tables/calculations included in the MFP Budget Letter
- **2.** MFP Budget Letter
- 3. Information regarding source data included in the MFP calculation per SCR 55
- **4.** Senate Concurrent Resolution 55 (SCR 55)

Mid-year Adjustments based on Student Membership Count Dates of October and February

- October 1, 2015, compared to February 1, 2015 LEAs receive an adjustment for the per pupil amount times the number of students gained or lost.
- February 1, 2016, compared to October 1, 2015 LEAs receive an adjustment for one-half of per pupil amount times the number of students gained or lost.
- The net effect of the October and February adjustments will be applied beginning with the March 2016 payment.

If you have any questions regarding this information, contact Charlotte Stevens at (225) 342-4989 or via e-mail at charlotte.stevens@la.gov. This information will be posted to the Department of Education website. You may also call the Department's toll-free number at 1-877-453-2721.

JW/BS/cs Attachments

c: SBESE Members

Senator John Alario Jr., President of the Senate

Representative Charles E. "Chuck" Kleckley, Speaker of the House

Senator Conrad Appel, Chairman, Senate Education Committee

Representative Stephen F. Carter, Chairman, House Education Committee

Senator Jack Donahue, Vice Chair, Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget

Representative James Fannin, Vice Chair, Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget

Local School System Business Managers/Directors of Finance

Type 2 Charter School Business Managers

Type 5 Charter School Business Managers

Kristy Nichols, Commissioner of Administration

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Dr. Wade Smith, Director, LSU Lab School

Laura Lindsay, Dean of College of Human Science and Education, LSU

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