



# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**DATE:** March 21, 2017

**CIRCULAR: 1160-A**

**TO:** Parish/City/Local School Superintendents  
Superintendent of Recovery School District  
Board Presidents of Type 2 and Type 5 Charter Schools  
Deans, Colleges of Education of LA State University and Southern University  
Deputy Secretary, Office of Juvenile Justice  
Executive Director, LA School for Math, Science and the Arts (LSMSA)  
Chief Executive Officer, N.O. Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA)

**FROM:** John White  
State Superintendent of Education

**SUBJECT: March 2017  
FY 2016-2017 Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Allocation**

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Per Senate Concurrent Resolution 55 of the 2014 Regular Session of the Legislature, two mid-year adjustments are provided during the fiscal year based on student membership count dates of October and February.

**Mid-Year Adjustments for Students:**

School systems and schools will receive an adjustment for the base per pupil amount times the number of students gained or lost from the October 1, 2016 Mid-Year Adjustment, and one-half of the base per pupil amount times the number of students gained or lost from the February 1, 2017 Mid-Year Adjustment. The adjustment in funding to accommodate these increases and decreases is included in the March 2017 payments.

**Final Local Per Pupil Amounts for Charter Schools:**

The local per pupil amount for charter schools is finalized according to Louisiana Revised Statute 17:3995. The State share per pupil is based on the per pupil amount included in the FY2016-17 Budget Letter (Circular No. 1160) issued on June 30, 2016. The local revenue representation amount has been recalculated to reflect the local revenues received during the prior year and reported in each district's FY2015-16 Annual Financial Report (AFR), and the October 1, 2016 student count reported in the Student Information System (SIS).

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**MFP Budget Letter Tables (March 2017):**

The following tables from the FY2016-17 MFP Budget Letter have been revised and are included in the March Budget Letter documents.

- Table 2 (MFP State Distribution and Adjustments to the 69 city/parish LEAs)
  - Provides the Total MFP distribution, minus audit adjustments and State Share Adjustments for other LEAs, and the monthly MFP payments for the 69 Louisiana city/parish school systems.
- Table 2A-1 (MFP Transfer Amount)(Annual Basis)
  - Provides the annual MFP allocation amount (from Table 2) for the 69 Louisiana city/parish school systems, minus the local revenue representation due to the Recovery School District, Type 2 Charter Schools and the Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ).
- Table 2A-2 (MFP Transfer Amount)(Monthly Basis)
  - Provides the monthly MFP allocation amount (from Table 2) for the 69 Louisiana city/parish school systems, minus the local revenue representation due to the Recovery School District, Type 2 Charter Schools, and the Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ).
- Table 4 (Level 4 Supplementary Allocations)
- Table 5A1 (LSU and Southern Lab School)
- Table 5A2 – Legacy Type 2 Charter Schools
- Table 5A3 – Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ)
- Table 5A4 – New Orleans Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA)
- Table 5A5 - LA School for Math, Science and the Arts (LSMSA)
- Table 5B1 and Table 5B1A (See the RSD Orleans Allocation)
  - The RSD Orleans Allocation for March has not been updated. The information is not yet available for charter schools located in Orleans Parish. These calculations will be distributed in April to include the final differentiated funding calculation for Special Education Students
  - A separate letter will be provided regarding the April adjustments for RSD Orleans
- Table 5B2 (RSD LA Allocation)
- Table 5C1 (Type 2 Charter Schools)

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