



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DATE: June 30, 2017

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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 3B Charter School Board Presidents
Type 5 Charter School Board Presidents

FROM: John White
State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: **FY2017-2018 Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Allocation**

House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 07 of the 2017 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature provides for the 2017-17 Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) Formula. The General Appropriations Bill, Act 03, of the 2017 Special Session of the Louisiana Legislature provides funding for the formula in the amount of \$3,717,667,944.

The MFP allocation includes funding for the 70 city/parish and other public school systems, LSU and Southern Lab Schools, Type 2 Charter Schools, Type 3B Charter Schools, Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ), New Orleans Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA), Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts (LSMSA) and THRIVE.

In addition to the current distribution of funds, mid-year adjustments will be provided in March of 2018 based on the following information.

- October 1, 2017, compared to February 1, 2017 – LEAs receive an adjustment for the per pupil amount times the number of students gained or lost.
- February 1, 2018, compared to October 1, 2017 - LEAs receive an adjustment for one-half of the 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 2018 payment.

The following MFP documents are posted to the Department of Education website:

1. Detailed listing of tables/calculations included in the MFP Budget Letter
2. MFP Budget Letter

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3. Information regarding source data included in the MFP calculation
4. HCR 07

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

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Representative Nancy Landry, Chairman, House Education Committee
Senator Eric LaFleur, Chairman, Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget
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