



STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION




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State Superintendent of Education

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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey 
State Superintendent of Education

RE: Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act* (IDEA), Part B, and
Preschool Preliminary Flow-Through Allocations

The Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), Special Education Services Section (SES), FY 2021 Preliminary Flow-Through Allocations charts for IDEA, Part B, Section 611 (children ages 6-21) and IDEA Preschool, Section 619 (children ages 3-5) will be sent out from the Location Education Agency (LEA) Accounting Section. These funds were made available under the IDEA, Part B, Entitlement Grants P.L. 108-446, and are provided to LEAs based on a federal formula for programs and services to students with disabilities who have an Individualized Education Program (IEP). The ALSDE, SES, has elected to add an additional \$3 million dollars to the LEA allocations for FY 2021.

In accordance with federal rules, the IDEA federal flow-through funds may be used for staffing, to evaluate a child to determine if they have a disability, educational materials, equipment, and other costs to provide special education and related services, as well as supplementary aids and services, to students with disabilities. The IDEA, Part B, Section 611 and Section 619 funds must be used to supplement state, local, and other federal funds used for providing services to children with disabilities and in no case supplant already existing state and local resources. If an LEA meets maintenance of effort, it will satisfy the supplement, not supplant, requirements of the IDEA.

The application process and budget software to access these funds is included as part of the consolidated electronic grant application process (eGAP). The budget applications for the allocated IDEA, Part B, and IDEA Preschool funds must be submitted in eGAP by September 1, 2020. In addition, the federal rules indicate that LEAs may not obligate or expend IDEA funds until the grant application budget documents have been received and substantially approved by the ALSDE.

Questions regarding the IDEA, Part B, federal flow-through funds may be directed to Mrs. Erika Richburg by email at erichburg@alsde.edu or by telephone at (334) 694-4782. Questions regarding the calculation of the IDEA, Part B, federal flow-through funds may be direct to Mr. Randy Holman at rholman@alsde.edu or by telephone at (334) 694-4617.

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