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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey *EGM*
State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: Non-Public Student Transfers

With the passage of Alabama Act 2024-389 beginning October 1, 2024, the following state report card exclusions will take effect:

Commencing with the 2024-2025 school year, the academic achievement of each student identified as a transfer student from a non-public school may not be considered in assigning an academic achievement grade to a school or school system for the first three years of enrollment of the transfer student. The educational progress of each of these transfer students shall continue to be measured in the academic growth category and beginning with the fourth year of enrollment of the transfer student, his or her academic achievement shall be considered in assigning an academic achievement grade to a school or school system on the state A-F school grading system.

This law only impacts State Report Card data and not Federal Report Card data.

Districts must now identify these non-public transfer students within their Student Information System (PowerSchool SIS) as they are enrolled into the districts/schools.

Newly added to PowerSchool on the student record > Compliance > AL custom page is a checkbox listed to identify students who have enrolled in the district from a non-public educational institution, as well as a drop-down choice to select the year of the transfer. These fields will calculate the three-year period for students identified for reporting exclusions. Listed below is a snapshot of the checkbox.

Non-Public Student Transfer	
Student transferred in from a non-public educational institution	<input type="checkbox"/>
Year of Transfer	<input type="text"/>

For students who have already been enrolled for the 2024-2025 school year, districts will need to update the student records for these fields on students who have transferred from a non-public educational institution. Moving forward, as new students enroll, this data should be entered in PowerSchool upon the enrollment of the student.

If you have any questions, please contact Stacy Royster by telephone at 334-694-4972 or by email at stacy.royster@alsde.edu.

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