

TO: Community School Administrators

FROM: Office of Budget and School Funding

RE: Fiscal Year 2021 November Foundation Payment

DATE: November 6, 2020

This is the fifth payment of FY2021 and uses formula and factors based on the implemented provisions of **Am. Sub. H.B. 166** (the FY2019-2020 budget bill). The November payment is based on **FY2021** EMIS data as of October 23, 2020.

General Information on the Foundation Payment Report

Foundation payments for community schools are calculated once a month. This letter, generated with each foundation payment, provides specific details about updates to payments, including deductions, adjustments, and transfers. We strongly encourage you to read this letter as it answers many of your questions regarding your foundation payment and provides links to all the payment reports.

FY2021 PAYMENT DATES

Payments to community schools are made no later than the 10th business day of each month. The scheduled payment dates for FY2021 are as follows:

 July 14, 2020
 January 14, 2021

 August 14, 2020
 February 12, 2021

 September 14, 2020
 March 12, 2021

 October 14, 2020
 April 14, 2021

 November 13, 2020
 May 14, 2021

 December 14, 2020
 June 14, 2021

COMMUNITY SCHOOL PAYMENT REPORT AND DATA

The November detail payment report is a comprehensive tool designed to walk the user through every step of the funding formula and shows the payment calculations. This report is commonly known as the School Finance Payment Report (SFPR).

STATEMENT OF SETTLEMENT

The statement of settlement is the document that shows the distribution of funds calculated on the SFPR as well as other adjustments that are outside of the SFPR, in installments over the course of the fiscal year. It reflects the FY2021 SFPR components plus all the adjustments and transfers for FY2021 that are applied to the community schools' funding.

- Updated **FY2021** enrollment data provided as of October 23, 2020 through the EMIS data collector and SOES are used for the following funding categories:
 - Opportunity Grant
 - o Targeted Assistance
 - Special Education

- Limited English Proficiency
- o Economically Disadvantaged
- o K-3 Literacy
- Career tech funding is based on the FY2020 CTA course data entered in the EMIS.
- The targeted assistance per-pupil amount and economically disadvantaged index reflects the resident district's most recent FY2019 data.
- Transportation payments are paid based on actual ridership data submitted through EMIS in FY2020 for community schools that provide direct transportation to their students.
- FY17 Final #1 deductions that were spread over the course of one or more fiscal years (for some schools) will continue to impact settlement reports.
- FY19 Final #1 deductions that were spread over the course of one or more fiscal years (for some schools) will impact settlement reports.
- FY19 Final #2 deductions that were spread over the course of one or more fiscal years (for some schools) will impact settlement reports.
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- School facilities funding is included on line J. This is calculated at \$250 per FTE for each brick and mortar community school, and \$25 per FTE for each e-school. The overall cap on facilities funding for community schools is currently \$20,600,000.00. The amount of FTE's in the calculation causes the state to exceed that capped amount. As a result, the school funding amount was calculated using a proration percentage of 95.39428320%
- Student wellness and success funding is a funding component under 'additional aid items' on-line N that was introduced in FY2020. The October payment included the first installment of the student wellness and success funding for FY2021. The second installment for FY2021 will occur in February.

The adjustments below are made on the FY2021 November payment and are known as Journal Voucher Codes. For a complete list and description of JV codes, click here.

- FY18 Community School Final #1 (JV27)
- FY19 Community School Final #1 (JV28)
- FY19 Community School Final #2 (JV29)
- FY20 Community School Final #1 (JV31)
- FY17 Community School Final #1 (JV39)
- FY15 Final #4 Adjustment (JV42)
- Supplemental Adjustment (JV69)
- Community School FTE Review Adjustment (JV71)
- ODE sponsorship deductions (JV93)
- STRS and SERS retirement adjustments are based on information from these sources for the month of November.

