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TO: Community School Administrators
FROM: Paolo A. DeMaria, Associate Superintendent
Center for School Finance
SUBJECT: September Community School Payment

This is the September payment for your school as required under section 3314.08 of the Ohio Revised Code for Community Schools and reflects the factors under Sub.H.B. 95 and SB 2, which is effective for FY 2004 and FY 2005 impacting the payment..

A. Community School Payment Report

1. For existing community schools this payment is based on the data in the 2004-2005 school year on the web based system as of August 15, 2004.
2. For new community schools this payment is based on the greater of the following:
 - One-half the approved enrollment, **OR**
 - The data in the 2004-2005 school year on the web based system as of August 15, 2004.
3. The per pupil amount is \$5,169.00 X cost-of-doing-business factor of the county of residence.
4. Special education category weights have a reduction factor of .90 of the following weights:
 - a. Category 1 .2892
 - b. Category 2 .3691
 - c. Category 3 1.7695
 - d. Category 4 2.3646
 - e. Category 5 3.1129
 - f. Category 6 4.7342

NOTE: I.E.P.'s on file must match the handicapping condition identified in the web based system. **I.E.P.'s must be completed and dated by December 1, 2004** in order to receive special education weighted funding for these students this fiscal year.

5. There was a correction made to the formula used for the all day Kindergarten DPIA calculation. The correct formula is on the top of the Community School Payment Report. Because of this, you may see a change in your FY05 Kindergarten DPIA amount.

B. Community School Foundation Statement of Settlement Report

1. For new community schools you will be seeing a monthly deduction of \$2,500.00 for State

Teachers Retirement System (STRS). For existing community schools the deduction for STRS is based on the annual amount used in June unless we received an update for your school from STRS or SERS. This monthly deduction will continue until January when it will be updated with a new annual amount for both new and existing schools. If you have questions or believe the annual amount to be incorrect, contact Paul Snyder of STRS at (614) 227-4090 or Carla Marshall of School Employees Retirement System (SERS) at (614) 222-5861.

2. Because of a correction made to the formula used for the FY04 all day kindergarten DPIA calculation, you may see an adjustment coded JV47 on the statement of settlement. This adjustment represents the difference between the final version #1 and the final version #2 community school payment reports. The data used for the calculation of the final version #2 was the same data set used for the June community school payment (the May 15, 2004 extract of the 2003-2004 database). This adjustment also includes a different per pupil amount for the Parity Aid calculation. This change is due to using the most current FY2004 SF3 data. All positive adjustments will be paid in a lump sum amount. Negative adjustments greater than \$500 will be spread out over the entire fiscal year. Negative adjustments less than \$500 will be deducted in a lump sum from the September payment.

C. Miscellaneous

1. **REMINDER -- The CSADM FY 2004 Database will be closed on September 30, 2004.** All error flags must be resolved by that date. Any unresolved flags may affect your final payment calculation and could result in a negative adjustment. The final FY 04 payment will be based on the information in the CSADM system. Unresolved FY 04 flags that are resolved during the FY 05 process will not entitle schools to a payment for the FY 04 year if resolution takes place after September 30, 2004.

2. The Community School payment Report and Statement of Settlement are available on the ODE Website. The website address is:

http://www.ode.state.oh.us/school_finance/community_schools/default.asp

3. Community Schools must enter State Student Identification numbers (SSID's) for all of their students or face lack of funding. As you may be aware, each community school can retrieve their student level records in the CSADM web system to verify which students are missing their SSID. **A payment will not be issued for those students who do not have a valid state student identifier reported in the CSADM system.**

4. If you need to update information on the web-based system or give a new person access to the web based system, contact Connie Reynolds at (614) 752-5068. The CSADM Web Based System has a User Manual and it can be viewed on line at the following web site address:

<http://www.ode.state.oh.us/EMIS/CSADM/>

5. The Community School payments are vouchered on the first working day of the month. It takes approximately **seven to ten business days** to receive the warrants or EFT notification slips from the Auditor of State's office. If you have not received your funds by the eleventh business day of the month, feel free to contact our office for assistance.

If there are any questions in regards to the payment, please contact this office or your area coordinator.

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