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**TO:** Superintendents and Treasurers of City, Local, Exempted Village School

Districts and Education Service Centers

FROM: Kim Murnieks, Executive Director, Center for School Options and Finance

RE: January 2011 Foundation Payment #1

DATE: January 4, 2011

This payment reflects the factors in Am. Sub. H.B.1 of the 128<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

## **SPECIAL NOTE:**

This payment reflects EMIS withholding penalties for some districts. Payment withholdings have been implemented for districts that have not met data reporting requirements as of 12/18/2010. The withholding will not be reflected on the statement of settlement, thus, if the check or EFT received by your district does not match the amount on the statement of settlement it is likely your district was subject to EMIS withholding. For posting purposes, each line of the statement of settlement should be reduced by the same percentage that the overall payment has been reduced due to withholding.

For more information regarding the status of your district's October data submission, please contact your EMIS coordinator. Information regarding the reporting requirements and penalties can be found on the ODE web site (please search for "EMIS Data Submission" and click on the link to "October (K) Data Submission Requirements FY11".)

# **Foundation Payments**

Foundation payments are calculated according to the Evidenced-Based Model (EBM) and reported on the PAthway to Student Success (PASS) form. The PASS worksheet displays the detailed data and calculations that support the funding reported on the PASS form. Reference manuals for the PASS form and the PASS worksheet are posted on the ODE web site. These calculations were updated to reflect FY2011 changes.

# **EMIS October Count for Funded ADM**

For the current payment, FY2011 EMIS data as of 12/18/10 and FY2010 Community School and EdChoice counts were used in the add-in for the ADM calculation. FY2010 data is being used for the number of students for the Autism Scholarship add-in.

# FY2011 Updates

Community school deductions were updated to the current year deductions.

EdChoice deductions were updated to the current year deductions.



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STRS and SERS pension deductions were updated for calendar year 2011.

#### **Preschool Units**

Preschool unit calculations were paid at 100% in this payment.

## Statement of Settlement

**Monthly Payment Calculations –** Continuing with this payment, the statement of settlement contains a new blended approach to calculating payments and recoveries: a percentage based method is used for payments and the installment method used in calculating the bi-monthly payment amount in previous fiscal years is used for recovery of overpayments.

We have posted a spreadsheet to assist districts with the percentage based calculations used for the statement of settlement at: <a href="http://education.ohio.gov/GD/DocumentManagement/DocumentDownload.aspx?DocumentID=83748">http://education.ohio.gov/GD/DocumentManagement/DocumentDownload.aspx?DocumentID=83748</a>

## **ESC**

The state per pupil amount of \$37.00/\$40.52 for multi-county ESC's is paid at 100% for locals, cities/exempted villages, and community schools. Budget reductions included in Sub. H.B. 1 was subsequently applied reducing each ESC's annual amount by 9.777763% of the calculated total.

Special education transportation was carried forward from FY2010.

Preschool unit calculations were paid at 100% in this payment.

# **Boards of Developmental Disabilities**

The per pupil funding for students attending a Board of Developmental Disabilities has been carried forward from FY2010 and increased by 0.75%. This per pupil amount is then multiplied by the number of school-aged pupils served.

Special education transportation was carried forward from FY2010.

Preschool unit calculations were paid at 100% in this payment based on updated FY2010 data from the Office of Early Learning and School Readiness. The school age payment is based on the October 2009 ADM data as submitted to the Office of Early Learning and School Readiness.



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If there are any questions with regard to the adjustments or the statement of settlement, please contact this office or your area coordinator.

# **Special Note: Open Enrollment Adjustments**

This payment includes adjustments to the final FY2010 open enrollment payments originally paid with the August #2 payment. The corrections made to the open enrollment calculations are as follows:

Many JVSD students were identified as ineligible due to concurrent enrollment flags. In general, the concurrency occurred because the JVSD and the sending district used two different dates as the start of the semester at the JVSD. This was corrected by ignoring concurrent enrollment flags when the receiving district was a JVSD.

When a student was identified in a building with more than 180 days in session, the student was not included in the payment.

Students attending for less than a full day were inadvertently reduced by 50%.

Funding to the receiving district for kindergarten reflects the correct FTE depending on the kindergarten program provided by the educating district. (Half day programs are funded for a half day, full-day programs are funded for a full day.)