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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 10-029

TO: District Superintendents, District Business Managers, and County School Superintendents
FROM: Yousef Awwad, Director of School Finance
DATE: October 15, 2009
SUBJECT: October 15, 2009 Basic calculations for Equalization Assistance Report (APOR 55-1) and Equalization Assistance and Additional State Aid Detail Report (APOR 64-1)

The October 15, 2009 apportionment reports applicable to the FY2010 equalization payment for your school district are posted on your district's home page on the ADE web site (<http://www.ade.az.gov/districts/default.asp>). If you need help finding or viewing these reports please contact the ADE Support Center at 602-542-7378 or toll free at (866) 577-9636.

The following items have been included in the October 15, 2009 APOR calculations:

- **ADMS data:** These student counts reflect the results of the FY2009 processing of student detail submitted by May 15, 2009. Contact the Data Analysis team at (602) 542-5695 or by email at (SchoolFinance@azed.gov) if you have questions or concerns regarding the student counts. If you require SAIS technical assistance, please complete the request form (Request for SAIS Training and Assistance) available on the School Finance Support webpage at: <http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance/STaR/>.
- **District Sponsored Charter School ADMS:** Student Counts are based on FY2010 estimated counts submitted by September 28, 2009.
- **Transportation Support Level (TSL):** Revised Route and/or Vehicle Inventory Report adjustments submitted before September 30, 2009 are reflected in the October 15, 2009 equalization calculation. Please check your comparative miles report (TRAN40-2). Please contact Barbara Axe at (602) 542-8248 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report.
- **Assessed Valuations:** TY 2009 values by district and county are used in the calculation of state aid in FY2010 for the October 15, 2009 apportionment.
- **Additional State-Aid (Secure Payment):** The FY2010 Additional State Aid amounts have been rolled over from FY2009 and will be updated for the December 15, 2009 apportionment with data reported by the Department of Revenue.
- **County Equalization Rate:** The county equalization rate, 0.3306, established pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1276 is in effect for FY2010, and has been applied in the calculation of county equalization assistance on the APOR 64-1 effective with the July 15, 2009 apportionment payment.
- **Soft Capital Allocation:** Pursuant to Laws 2009, 3rd Special Session, Chapter 2 Section 9 Reduction to Soft Capital Allocation expired October 1, 2009. The adjustment for SCA for state aid districts has been removed from the October 15, 2009 apportionment payment.

Please check the submission status of your budgets, budget worksheets and budget revisions. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-905 budgets must be submitted electronically to the Arizona Department of Education. Instructions for checking the

submission status can be located at <http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance/FAQs/Default.asp>. If you have questions related to budget submission, please contact the Budget Team via email at SFBudgetTeam@azed.gov.

If you have any questions regarding the content of your APOR reports please contact Xin Liu at (602) 364-2262 or by email at Xin.Liu@azed.gov. Any questions or concerns may also be emailed to the School Finance Inbox at SchoolFinance@azed.gov.