



State of Arizona  
Department of Education

**SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 14-033**

**TO:** Superintendents, Business Managers, Administrators, and Head Teachers  
**FROM:** Lyle Friesen, Director of School Finance  
**DATE:** February 5, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** Instructional Improvement Fund

Pursuant to A.R.S 15-979, the Department of Education shall pay the monies in the Instructional Improvement Fund (Indian Gaming revenues) to school districts and charter schools.

The calculation for the first payment of FY 2014 is complete. This payment is based on actual IIF revenues received in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of FY 2014 (\$24,564,505.18). Actual receipt of payment by districts and charters is scheduled for February 5, 2014.

Please view the county reports, which will show the district portions, at <http://www.azed.gov/finance/county-apportionment-reports/> or a detailed state-wide **FY 14 IIF Payment 1 Report** under "Hot Topics" at <http://www.azed.gov/finance/hot-topics>

All monies received for the Instructional Improvement Fund to date have been distributed based on each district's or charter's *unweighted* attending student count.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §15-979 (D) & (E), these funds may be expended as follows:

- D. Each school district and charter school may utilize up to fifty percent of the amount of monies determined pursuant to subsection C for teacher compensation increases and class size reduction as provided in section 15-977.
- E. Monies that are not utilized as provided in subsection D shall be utilized for the following maintenance and operation purposes:
  - 1. Dropout prevention programs.
  - 2. Instructional improvement programs including programs to develop minimum reading skills for students by the end of third grade.

If you have questions concerning your calculated payment, please contact Chelsea Jemison via email at [Chelsea.Jemison@azed.gov](mailto:Chelsea.Jemison@azed.gov) or by phone at (602)542-8244.