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**SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 06-085**

**TO: School District and Charter School Administrators and Business Managers**

**FROM: Philip Williams, Deputy Associate Superintendent of School Finance**

**DATE: June 1, 2006**

**SUBJECT: Full Day Kindergarten Payment 12**

The final Full Day Kindergarten payment of Fiscal Year 2005-2006 has been calculated and the distribution of this payment is scheduled for Monday, June 5th, 2006. This year, the Full Day Kindergarten Fund has been expanded to include those schools in which at least 80% of the pupils qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch. Please reference the Early Childhood Education Memoranda found at <http://www.ade.az.gov/earlychildhood/fulldaykinder/#memos>.

This payment includes the monthly apportionment for June 2006. This month's payment has been calculated based upon the FY2004-2005 ADM that was processed in February 2006. In addition, please note from the above referenced memoranda that the FDK appropriated amount is insufficient to fully fund the total kindergarten need at the 80% Free and Reduced Lunch criteria. Pursuant to ARS 15-901.02, the FDK amounts per school have been prorated to each eligible school based on their calculated 2005-2006 amount in comparison to the state total.

Currently, the AZ State Legislature has not approved a new budget bill for fiscal year 2006-2007. As a result, ADE School Finance currently does not know which schools will receive Full Day Kindergarten funding. As soon as a decision is made, an eligibility list will be generated and posted on the Early Childhood Education Unit's website at <http://www.ade.az.gov/earlychildhood/fulldaykinder/#funding> for your review. To expedite the process please ensure that SAIS data for free and reduced lunch is updated and accurate. If you have any questions regarding eligibility please contact Amy Corriveau by phone at (602) 542-1135 or Terry Doolan by phone at (602) 542-1137.

Per A.R.S. §15-901.02:

- Enrollment in FDK is an option for parents.
- FDK monies may only be expended on FDK.
- A school level report on the expenditures of FDK monies is required of all LEA's receiving FDK monies. Information regarding the requirements of this report will be forthcoming from ADE and the Office of the Auditor General.

USFR 206 for Districts and USFRCS 52 for Charter schools provide additional information on FDK. The language in Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S. §15-901.02) authorizing the funding of Full day Kindergarten is accessible at: <http://www.azleg.state.az.us/FormatDocument.asp?inDoc=/ars/15/00901-02.htm&Title=15&DocType=ARS>

The School Finance Bulletin Board and Reports web pages include information on the distribution for each district and charter. These web pages are available through the School Finance web site at: <http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance>.