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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 09-084

TO: Superintendents, Business Managers, Administrators, and Head Teachers

FROM: Yousef Awwad, Director of School Finance

DATE: July 22, 2009

SUBJECT: Instructional Improvement Fund Allocation

The calculations for the fourth Instructional Improvement Fund (Indian Gaming revenues) payment of FY 2009 are complete. This payment is based on actual IIF revenues received in the 4th quarter of FY 2009. Actual receipt of payment by districts and charters is scheduled for Wednesday, July 22, 2009. This is the final quarterly payment calculation and disbursement for this fiscal year. All monies received in FY 2009 have been distributed in FY 2009.

The *Instructional Improvement Fund* report (IIF 202-1) and ARS 15-979 C. detail the counts used to determine allocation of the Instructional Improvement Fund. The IIF report is available at <http://www.ade.az.gov/districts>. 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 Instruction Improvement Fund payment, please contact Alane Wilcox via email at Alane.Wilcox@azed.gov or by phone at (602) 542-8253.