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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 11-009

TO: County Jail Education Program Directors, County School Superintendents, & County Treasurers

FROM: Yousef Awwad, Director of School Finance

DATE: August 6, 2010

SUBJECT: FY2011 County Jail Education Program

A.R.S. Section 15-913.01 requires each county that operates a county jail to offer an education program to serve all eligible prisoners. Eligible prisoners are defined as:

- *prisoners who have been in the county jail for more than forty-eight hours*
- *have received at least two hundred forty minutes of instruction per day*
- *are under the age of eighteen years*
- *or prisoners with disabilities who are age twenty-one or younger*

Pursuant to statute, the county school superintendent may establish a county jail education fund to provide financial support to the jail education program. This fund shall consist of a base amount set at \$14,400 and a variable amount that is calculated based on the submittal of your instructional days for 2010 and the FY2011 Base Level Amount (BLA) of \$3,267.72.

In order to calculate the total amount of State Aid to your County Educational Program for FY2011, the following information must be submitted to the Arizona Department of Education by September 13, 2010.

- General Program Information as specified in the Attendance Report found on the School Finance website at <http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance/Forms/CountyForms/CountyJails/>.
- Please submit the Attendance Report electronically to Xin.Liu@azed.gov. An example Attendance Report form is included in this memo.
- Actual instructional attendance days for all eligible prisoners from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.
 - Non Special Education Student Attendance Days
 - Group A Student Attendance Days
 - Group B Student Attendance Days
- Claim form completed and submitted to the address below by the deadline signed by the County School Superintendent. The form is included in this memo and can also be found on the School Finance website at: <http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance/Forms/CountyForms/CountyJails/>.

FY 2011 County Jails Education Program calculations will be completed and posted to the ADE School Finance Website prior to distribution of payment.

Please complete all required forms and information and submit to the ADE by September 13, 2010. Mail, fax or email to Xin Liu. Arizona Department of Education, School Finance, Bin 13, 1535 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, AZ 85007, fax (602) 542-3099, voice (602) 364-2262 or e-mail Xin.Liu@azed.gov.