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**SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 06-011**

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

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

**DATE: August 30, 2005**

**SUBJECT: Full Day Kindergarten Payments 1and 2**

The first two Full Day Kindergarten payments of Fiscal Year 2005-2006 have been calculated and the distribution of this combined payment is scheduled for Friday, September 2, 2005. 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 first **FY2005-06** payment includes the monthly apportionment for July and August 2005. The calculations are based on each school's FY2004-05 100<sup>th</sup> day Kindergarten ADM as of June 30, 2005. 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.

The September payment scheduled to be distributed the first week of September will be based on the same data used to calculate the first two payments. The FDK calculations will be updated with the most current FY2004-05 100<sup>th</sup> day Kindergarten ADM for the October payment.

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>.

For additional information on FDK, please visit the FDK web page on the ADE web site at: <http://www.ade.az.gov/earlychildhood/fulldaykinder/>