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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 06-006

TO: Special Education Residential Voucher Program Administrators

FROM: Shirley Willis
School Finance Unit

DATE: July 27, 2005

SUBJECT: Special Education Residential Voucher Program, ARS § 15-1184
Fiscal Year 2005 – 2006

Attached you will find the rates for the 2005-2006 school year.

Instructions for the on-line voucher application can be found at <http://www.ade.az.gov/ess/vouchers>. Voucher payments will continue to be made on a monthly basis. Claims must be submitted by the end of business, **ten days** after the month in which the service was provided (i.e. the August claim is due on September 10th). Claims received after the **10th** of the month will be processed the following month. If applicable, June claims must be submitted no later than Friday, June 24, 2006, and will be processed before July 1st. Any student that does not have an approval by ADE/ESS by July 31, 2006 will not be funded by ADE for FY2006, no exceptions.

You must submit and activate your fiscal year 2005-2006 calendar electronically before we are able to process any payments. Your calendar must be submitted on-line using your common logon user name and password at <https://www.ade.az.gov/commonlogon/Login.asp?Mode=Logon>. After clicking on LEA Calendars, you will find a manual that will walk you through submitting your calendar. Please note, no payment will be issued without a current, active calendar submitted.

If you have any questions regarding claim submission/procedures, or do not have a common logon, please contact me at swillis@ade.az.gov or (602) 542-8245.

Special Education Residential Voucher Daily Rates for FY2006

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute 15-1184, below is the statutory formula funding daily rates for school year July 2005 through June 2006. Rate calculations are based on Arizona's mandated 180 school session days. Facilities operating outside of Arizona will be funded at the rates below for the legislative mandated school session days of the state in which they are operating. Funding will not be provided for any days that exceed the state's mandated session days. Every facility is required to submit a calendar that defines all session days, observed holidays, spring and winter breaks and any other exception days. Calendars are limited to state legislative mandated session days. Year Round schools will only be funded for the state legislative mandated session days for the state in which the facility operates. Extended School Year funding is included in the regular session daily rate; additional funding is not available to facilities to provide ESY services.

<i>Category</i>	<i>Daily Rate K-8 *</i>	<i>Daily Rate 9-12 *</i>
Autistic	\$118.1666	\$120.0006
Emotional Disability - Private Placement	\$98.3934	\$100.2273
Hearing Impaired	\$100.4607	\$102.2947
Mild Mental Retardation	\$35.0125	\$35.0125
Moderate Mental Retardation	\$94.6254	\$96.4594
Multiple Disabilities	\$118.1666	\$120.0006
Multiple Disabilities/Severe Sensory	\$129.8038	\$131.6378
Non-Special Education	\$35.0125	\$35.0125
Orthopedic Impairment	\$113.8819	\$115.7158
Other Health Impairment	\$35.0125	\$35.0125
PreSchool Severe Delay	\$80.8542	\$0.0000
PreSchool Speech/Language	\$35.0125	\$0.0000
Severe Mental Retardation	\$118.1666	\$120.0006
Specific Learning Disability	\$35.0125	\$35.0125
Speech/Language Impairment	\$35.0125	\$35.0125
Visual Impairment	\$101.0442	\$102.8782

** A student's daily rate is established based on the age of the student on September 1st. A student who turns 14 years of age on or before September 1st, will be funded for the entire school year at the daily rate in 9 -12 column. A student, who turns 14 years of age anytime after September 1st, will be funded for the entire school year at the daily rate in K-8 column. Fundable Daily Rate is determined by primary disability approved by ADE/ESS.*

Funding will not begin until after students are approved by ADE/ESS and a correctly completed claim form is received by School Finance. Only submit claims on students for which a signed voucher approval with a current year number has been received from ADE/ESS.

Funding starts on the latter of: date of ADE/ESS approval or date student actually enrolls and begins to receive educational services. Funding ends on the earliest of: expiration date of ADE/ESS approval, date student discharges from facility or date student withdraws and stops receiving educational services. Example - student approval is dated 09/01/05, student enrolls and begins receiving educational services 09/10/05 - 1st day of funding is 09/10/05; student withdraws and stops receiving educational services 11/10/05, student discharges 11/11/05 - last day of funding is 11/10/05.