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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 17-035

TO: District Superintendents, District Managers,
Joint Technological Education District Business Managers and Superintendents

FROM: Lyle Friesen, Deputy Associate Superintendent of School Finance

DATE: February 1, 2017

SUBJECT: February 1, 2017 Basic calculations for Equalization Assistance Report (APOR 55-1)
and Equalization Assistance and Additional State Aid Detail Report (APOR 64-1)

Please be advised that the February 1, 2017 apportionment has been completed. The apportionment reports applicable to the FY2017 equalization payment for your school district are posted on your district's home page on the ADE web site (<http://www.ade.az.gov/districts/default.asp>). If you need help finding or viewing these reports please contact ADE/ IT Technology support team at 602-542-7378 or toll free at (866) 577-9636.

Beginning with the January 2, 2017 apportionment of state aid, all non-declining school districts were funded based on a Base Support Level which uses FY17 projected 100th day ADM, SPED, and ELL. Declining is currently determined by comparing FY2017 ADM to FY2016 ADM. Please see your FY2016 ADM 46-1, SPED 28-1, and ELLS 10-1 reports available at (<http://www.ade.az.gov/districts/default.asp>). Your FY2017 ADM 20, SPED 20, and ELLS 20 reports are available via ADE Connect, AzEds Portal. Please contact your Account Analyst for any questions pertaining to your data. Your Account Analyst may be found here: <https://www.azed.gov/Administrators/SF/Lists/LEAAccountAnalysts/AllItems.aspx>

The following items have been included in February 1, 2017 APOR calculations:

- **K-3 Funding:** The funding has been released to eligible district/charter starting in the August 1st payment through equalization payment report (APOR55-1). To be eligible: must be either letter A or B district/charter **and** the 3rd grade far below reading level is less than 10%. Districts/Charters whose plans were approved at the SBE meeting January 23, 2016 have been included in the February 1st payment.
- **State Aid Rollover:** Pursuant to Laws 2016, Chapter 124, Section 14, the Arizona Department of Education shall defer, until July 1, 2017 but no later than July 12, 2017, \$930,727,700 of the basic state aid and additional state aid payment that otherwise would be apportioned to school districts during fiscal year 2016-2017. The FY17 rollover amounts have been recalculated and are included in the February 1 payment APOR64-1.



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- **District Additional Assistance Reductions:** The DAA reductions have been recalculated and are included and are shown on page 5 of the APOR 55-1. A list may be found under SF hot topics here: <http://www.azed.gov/finance/>
- **Transportation Support Level (TSL):** Route miles from FY2016 were reflected in the February 1, 2017 equalization calculation. Please check your comparative miles report (TRAN40-2) if your route miles do not match your route report. Please email your account analyst if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report.

If you have any questions regarding the content of your APOR reports, please contact the Payment Team, via email at SFPaymentTeam@ade.az.gov