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**SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 17-058**

**TO:** Charter School Administrators, Directors, and Principals

**FROM:** Lyle Friesen, Deputy Associate Superintendent of School Finance

**DATE:** June 30, 2017

**SUBJECT:** 6/30/2017 Basic Calculation for Equalization Assistance Report (CHAR 55-1) and Equalization Assistance Detail Report (CHAR 64-1)

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The June 30, 2017 charter apportionment is complete. The CHAR55-1 and the CHAR64-1 equalization assistance reports for charters are posted on each charter school's home page of the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) School Finance website at <http://www.azed.gov/districts>. If assistance is required for finding or viewing these reports, please contact the ADE IT Technology Support team at (602) 542-7378 or toll free at (866) 577-9636.

The June 30, 2017 apportionment of state aid is based on actual FY 2017 100<sup>th</sup> day ADM, SPED, and ELL values.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the assigned account analyst for the charter. A list of account analysts is located at:  
<https://www.azed.gov/Administrators/SF/Lists/LEAAccountAnalysts/AllItems.aspx>

Important Notes:

- *Effective for Fiscal Year 2017-2018, pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-211, as amended by [Laws 2017, First Regular Session, Chapter 67, Section 1](#), the State Board of Education must approve a school district or charter school prior to it receiving any portion of its Group B K-3 Reading funding.*
- *K-3 reading funding, all eligible charters start to receive the funding by September 1<sup>st</sup> payment. To be eligible: **the charter is a letter A or B and the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading far below is less than 10%**. All other charters' K-3 reading funding will be released once we get the approval from the State Board.*
- *Preliminary Charter Additional Assistance reduction, \$18,656,000, per session law, was included by September 1<sup>st</sup> payment. **Charter Additional Assistance recalculation based on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 data push was included in the March 1<sup>st</sup> payment.***
- *Small School Weight adjustment was included by September 1<sup>st</sup> payment.*
- *Charter audit expense adjustments were included in the June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 charter apportionment based on the budgeted values as of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The chart below*



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*outlines the locations in which a value must be present in order to receive the adjustment. If you have any questions related to budget submissions, please contact the budget team by email at [SFBudgetTeam@azed.gov](mailto:SFBudgetTeam@azed.gov).*

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For any questions regarding June 30, 2017 charter equalization calculation, please email [SFPaymentTeam@azed.gov](mailto:SFPaymentTeam@azed.gov). Please contact your Account Analyst if you have any questions about your estimated counts or other required student information. You can locate the contact information of the Account Analyst for the charter at:

<https://www.azed.gov/Administrators/SF/Lists/LEAAccountAnalysts/AllItems.aspx>.