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Commissioner of Education



MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Jim Horne

DATE: May 27, 2003

SUBJECT: Funding for Summer Reading Camps

I am pleased to announce to you that the Legislature has provided an appropriation of \$25,000,000 to fund summer reading activities and other remediation activities. These funds are specified in Specific Item 3B which reads as follows:

“Funds provided in Specific Appropriation 3B are non-recurring lottery funds to provide support and assistance to students who have not yet mastered the necessary skills for promotion or graduation. These funds shall be used as determined by each school district for 2003 and 2004 summer reading programs for third and 12th grade students and for students needing supplemental instruction during the 2003-2004 school year to reduce the need for summer remedial programs. These funds are in addition to the annual recurring funds appropriated for Supplemental Academic Instruction and are allocated to all school districts based on FTE student enrollment. These funds can be used to pay teachers and tutors who provide supplemental instruction to students during the summer or during the school year; however, because these are one-time non-recurring funds, expenditures should also be non-recurring. Payment from these funds for personnel costs should be for specified supplemental services and not included in an individual’s recurring salary. The funds for this allocation shall not be recalculated based on FTE enrollment.”

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These funds will be distributed to all districts on a formula basis and will be available on July 1, 2003. Attached please find a distribution summary that has been released by the Senate Appropriations Committee. Unlike the FEFP calculation, this is a one-time calculation and will not be subject to change during the 2003-04 school year.

Governor Bush and I believe these additional funds should go a long way toward meeting the costs of providing summer reading camps to every struggling third grade reader. While you may have many competing priorities, I cannot imagine any greater investment than to help a young child acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in life and pursue his or her dreams. It is my expectation that those districts that were unable to fully implement a summer reading program will now extend the length of their summer reading camps. You should also note that the proviso language does not prohibit the use of funds for materials and supplies for your reading camps.

I also want to take a moment and personally thank you for your commitment to providing a summer reading camp for all of your struggling readers in third grade. You have acknowledged that summer reading camps are not just for students who may be ineligible for promotion, but for *all* struggling readers. Keep up the good work. I know it has been difficult and taxing on your resources, but your students will be the ultimate beneficiaries. Please be flexible and not turn away any students who need this help. These additional funds should help you help them!

The extraordinary progress that students are making in reading and mathematics is a testament to the commitment of educators in your schools and district offices. As always, my staff and I stand ready to assist you in any way that will help us meet our common goals of improved student learning and achievement.

JH:JLW

Attachment

cc: Reading Camp Contacts

2003-04 FEFP - FINAL CONFERENCE REPORT, MAY 27, 2003
Supplemental Academic Instruction Allocation with Summer Reading

District	2002-03	2003-04 Unweighted FTE	Summer Reading Allocation	2003-04
	Supplemental Academic Instruction Allocation -1-			Supplemental Academic Instruction Allocation -4-
1 Alachua	8,466,167	27,941.73	275,202	8,741,369
2 Baker	2,086,802	4,484.96	44,173	2,130,975
3 Bay	8,299,525	25,851.57	254,616	8,554,141
4 Bradford	1,310,922	3,936.94	38,775	1,349,697
5 Brevard	21,075,614	71,755.37	706,728	21,782,342
6 Broward	56,393,060	269,312.35	2,652,494	59,045,554
7 Calhoun	497,811	2,165.71	21,330	519,141
8 Charlotte	3,908,967	17,520.88	172,566	4,081,533
9 Citrus	3,618,080	15,016.67	147,901	3,765,981
10 Clay	9,260,089	29,935.04	294,834	9,554,923
11 Collier	7,709,526	39,778.16	391,780	8,101,306
12 Columbia	4,144,776	9,773.92	96,265	4,241,041
13 Dade	136,062,180	368,085.39	3,625,322	139,687,502
14 De Soto	1,752,411	5,082.31	50,056	1,802,467
15 Dixie	480,091	2,130.32	20,982	501,073
16 Duval	31,333,875	126,528.61	1,246,197	32,580,072
17 Escambia	10,581,590	42,372.53	417,333	10,998,923
18 Flagler	1,452,982	7,962.41	78,423	1,531,405
19 Franklin	324,046	1,290.00	12,705	336,751
20 Gadsden	1,529,195	6,412.68	63,159	1,592,354
21 Gilchrist	578,894	2,638.43	25,986	604,880
22 Glades	251,777	1,058.12	10,422	262,199
23 Gulf	491,648	2,050.94	20,200	511,848
24 Hamilton	462,138	1,961.12	19,315	481,453
25 Hardee	1,152,504	5,142.43	50,648	1,203,152
26 Hendry	1,772,187	7,677.27	75,614	1,847,801
27 Hernando	4,346,027	19,042.74	187,555	4,533,582
28 Highlands	2,454,884	11,394.07	112,222	2,567,106
29 Hillsborough	37,446,652	176,734.53	1,740,682	39,187,334
30 Holmes	792,719	3,320.50	32,704	825,423
31 Indian River	3,201,381	16,218.00	159,733	3,361,114
32 Jackson	1,523,227	6,908.42	68,042	1,591,269
33 Jefferson	388,264	1,453.63	14,317	402,581
34 Lafayette	226,662	1,035.13	10,195	236,857
35 Lake	7,765,831	32,479.08	319,891	8,085,722
36 Lee	12,798,590	64,824.56	638,466	13,437,056
37 Leon	9,343,697	31,336.96	308,642	9,652,339
38 Levy	1,346,561	5,941.86	58,522	1,405,083
39 Liberty	261,179	1,379.91	13,591	274,770
40 Madison	934,595	3,212.48	31,640	966,235
41 Manatee	8,102,777	39,550.44	389,538	8,492,315
42 Marion	13,329,817	38,651.25	380,681	13,710,498
43 Martin	3,559,141	17,449.52	171,863	3,731,004
44 Monroe	1,936,400	9,104.15	89,668	2,026,068
45 Nassau	2,521,225	10,352.35	101,962	2,623,187
46 Okaloosa	9,054,856	30,824.88	303,598	9,358,454
47 Okeechobee	1,759,560	7,035.82	69,297	1,828,857
48 Orange	36,069,751	160,182.28	1,577,657	37,647,408
49 Osceola	9,132,219	42,681.38	420,375	9,552,594
50 Palm Beach	33,592,078	167,305.35	1,647,813	35,239,891
51 Pasco	17,177,349	56,388.29	555,376	17,732,725
52 Pinellas	24,178,285	112,720.27	1,110,197	25,288,482
53 Polk	21,613,890	82,107.43	808,687	22,422,577
54 Putnam	3,108,311	11,793.30	116,154	3,224,465
55 St. Johns	4,634,829	22,592.59	222,517	4,857,346
56 St. Lucie	6,820,550	32,092.23	316,081	7,136,631
57 Santa Rosa	8,355,559	23,324.35	229,725	8,585,284
58 Sarasota	7,814,505	38,982.66	383,945	8,198,450
59 Seminole	16,347,447	62,903.04	619,541	16,966,988
60 Sumter	1,330,575	6,577.86	64,786	1,395,361
61 Suwannee	1,497,273	5,548.00	54,643	1,551,916
62 Taylor	788,904	3,217.88	31,693	820,597
63 Union	539,463	2,101.68	20,700	560,163
64 Volusia	18,415,351	62,462.71	615,204	19,030,555
65 Wakulla	976,078	4,501.87	44,340	1,020,418
66 Walton	1,247,040	6,228.16	61,342	1,308,382
67 Washington	922,601	3,402.59	33,513	956,114
68 Washington Special	163,953	633.04	6,235	170,188
69 FAMU Lab School	249,152	453.48	4,466	253,618
70 FAU Lab School	147,769	599.57	5,905	153,674
71 FSU Lab School	390,003	2,193.00	21,599	411,602
72 UF Lab School	318,822	1,185.00	11,671	330,493
73 Virtual School	0	0.00	0	0
Total	653,922,659	2,538,294.15	25,000,000	678,922,659