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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 03-005

TO: Charter School Administrators, Directors, Principals
FROM: Mary Beth Reilly
DATE: August 14, 2002
SUBJECT: August 15, 2002 Basic calculations for Equalization Assistance Report (CHAR 55-1) and Equalization Assistance Detail Report (CHAR 64-1)

The August 15, 2002 apportionment reports for your charter school are posted on your charter school's home page on the ADE web site <http://www.ade.az.gov/districts>. Hard copies of these reports will not be mailed. If you need help finding or viewing these reports please call your county's Regional Training Center (RTC). The phone number for your county's RTC can be found at <http://www.ade.az.gov/rtc>.

All eligible charter schools have been paid on estimated counts submitted by July 19, 2002. In the event that you did not receive an August 15, 2002 payment, it may be due to missing estimated student counts, a significant drop in the estimated student count, missing calendars or missing M&O forms. In addition, if the banking forms were not submitted to the state treasurer's office or Charter contracts were not signed, a payment will not be issued. If you have questions or concerns about submitting estimated student counts or required forms, please contact Rose Whelihan at (602) 542-8240 or e-mail at <mailto:rwhelih@ade.az.gov>.

Estimated student counts submitted on or before August 23, 2002, will be the basis of September funding. The September enrollment list due date is September 20, 2002 for funding in October. **All charter schools, regardless of sponsorship, must submit a student list utilizing an ADE approved electronic format for each charter site by 5:00 PM on or before the dates listed above to be eligible for a payment in the following month.**

It is the responsibility of each charter school to verify that the Charter School Estimated Count report posted on their web page <http://www.ade.az.gov/districts>, accurately reflects the data submitted. **Charter schools should revise their estimated counts each month to accurately reflect the actual student registration.**

Fiscal year 2002 adjustments for 200 day funding will be made in September. Charters who wish to operate 200 days for FY'03 will need to have prior approval by their sponsoring board. Additionally, an electronic calendar that reflects 200 days must be submitted to ADE by December 31, 2002 and the budget worksheets for the Charter must reflect the funding increase for 200 days.

If you have any concerns regarding your equalization calculations or payments please do not hesitate to call me at mreilly@ade.az.gov or 602-542-8249.

August 15, 2002