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July 27, 2009

TO: Qualified Non-Profit Community Organizations
FROM: Pike County Board of Education
RE: Alabama Student Assistance Plan

Alabama legislation requires LEA's in Alabama to submit an at-risk plan to the State Superintendent of Education. Newly adopted legislation pertaining to students at risk reads as follows:

It is the intent of the Alabama Legislature that schools and school systems involve the community in planning and implementing at-risk programs. Therefore, schools shall expend at least 20% (\$19,497.00) of the at-risk funds to partner with non-profit community organizations in planning and implementing at-risk programs, which directly assist in improving academic performance. Such programs may include, but not be limited to, Boys and Girls Clubs, YMCAs, 21st Century Leadership, Pell City Bridge Builders, Alabama Young Farmers Education Program, and local civic and charitable organizations. It is the intent of the Legislature that these funds not be utilized to partner with governmental non quasi-governmental agencies and entities whose functions already indulge programs designated for at-risk funding. In appropriate situations, businesses may partner with schools or school systems for at-risk programs but may not receive any compensation or reimbursement for expenses or other costs.

The Pike County Board of Education would like to offer your organization the opportunity to participate in providing effective programming for our students at risk of school failure. Copies of the at-risk Alabama legislation and application for your consideration and response may be found on the Pike County Board of Education website www.pikecountyschools.com, located under the Instructional Support section, or you may pick up a copy at our office at the above address. **According to the State Department of Education, if proration becomes viable, the 20% funds will be prorated at the same percentage. This disclaimer must be included in the contract before approval.** Please complete and return the application to Mrs. Elizabeth Grubbs, ASAP Coordinator, at Pike County Board of Education by 4:30 p.m. on August 12, 2009. Please submit a completed application for each program offered. Do not fax or email completed applications.

If you have questions, you may contact Mrs. Elizabeth Grubbs, ASAP Coordinator at (334) 566-1850 Ext. 126. Our school system is particularly interested in working with non-profit organizations that can provide counseling to Alternative Learning Center students. Our school system is looking forward to an opportunity to collaborate with you as we continue to serve at-risk students. Only the winning applicant/organization will be notified.

FY 2010 APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN 20% STATE AT-RISK FUNDS DESIGNATED FOR PARTICIPATION OF NON-PROFIT, NON-GOVERNMENTAL COMMUNITY AGENCIES

**LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY (LEA) TO RECEIVE
NON-PROFIT, NON-GOVERNMENTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES**

ASAP Coordinator	E-mail Address	Local Education Agency
Address (Street/Number, City, Zip Code)	Telephone Number	Facsimile Number
From the FY 2009 LEA State At-Risk Needs Assessment, list the identified prioritized needs for ASAP:		
1.	3.	
2.	4.	

To be completed by the LEA mailing the FY09 Application(s).

NON-PROFIT, NON-GOVERNMENTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Agency Name	Agency Contact Person/Title	Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code)	
Telephone	Fax	E-mail	
Is your agency a non-profit, non-governmental community agency? If "Yes", attach appropriate documentation of non-profit, non-governmental status (Section 501(c)(3)).		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Is your agency/group interested in and/or willing to work collaboratively with the identified LEA in providing programming for students at risk of school failure in your community?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If you answer "No" to any of the questions above, please do not complete the form below. If "Yes", please complete the application in detail. All forms should be returned to the address on the previous page.			
What services are provided by the non-profit, non-governmental community agency that will assist the LEA in providing effective programming for public school students at risk of school failure? Specify and describe.			
Program	Location	Program Cost	
Time Offered	Start/end Dates	Number of students that can be served	
Program staff/personnel titles and/or job descriptions:			
Program description: (Description should be provided in a format that may be used for media release(s) as needed.)			
What student population is targeted by these services? (Check all that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Kindergarten	<input type="checkbox"/> Students with academic difficulty	<input type="checkbox"/> Males	
<input type="checkbox"/> Elementary School	<input type="checkbox"/> Students with behavioral difficulty	<input type="checkbox"/> Females	
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle/Junior High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Student medical and/or mental health	<input type="checkbox"/> Males and Females	
<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Student safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your agency must have a method for evaluating the effectiveness of the above-listed program. Describe the evaluation process for this program and attach it to this document. Attach resumes of all staff/personnel involved in the above-listed program. If selected, your agency will be responsible for completing background checks as appropriate in utilizing State At-Risk 20% funds. 			
Non-Profit, Non-Governmental Community Agency Contact		Date	
Non-Profit, Non-Governmental Community Agency Director		Date	

To be completed by the non-profit, non-governmental community agency.

	Education Trust Fund	Earmarked Funds	Appropriation To- tal
1	employed for the absent trans-		
2	portation employee for each		
3	day the employee is absent.		
4	The Department of Education is		
5	directed to withhold funds		
6	from local systems not employ-		
7	ing substitutes for absent		
8	transportation employees. Such		
9	withheld funds shall revert to		
10	the Education Trust Fund.		
11	(c) At-Risk Student Program .	24,504,145	24,504,145
12	Each district shall receive		
13	its pro rata share for each		
14	student who is defined as be-		
15	ing at-risk of dropping out of		
16	school or is performing at an		
17	academic level below current		
18	grade placement. School sys-		
19	tems should be encouraged to		
20	successfully move students		
21	from the at-risk category.		
22	Therefore, a school system		
23	shall maintain its at-risk		
24	funding for every student re-		
25	moved from its at-risk defini-		
26	tion for the next two fiscal		
27	years. Local school districts		
28	shall maintain separate ac-		
29	counts for all funds received		
30	in this category. The funds		
31	provided in this section are		
32	specifically designated for		
33	special programs to serve		
34	these students and may not be		
35	used as a part of a local		
36	school district's general op-		
37	erating budget. Local school		
38	systems in partnership with		
39	and funding from the Depart-		
40	ment of Education are expected		
41	to establish programs which		
42	will increase learning oppor-		
43	tunities for at-risk students.		
44	These programs shall include,		
45	but not be limited to, af-		
46	ter-school tutoring, summer		
47	schools, weekend schools,		
48	character education programs,		

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1 drop-out prevention programs,
 2 career technical education
 3 youth programs, alternative
 4 schools, training of parents,
 5 purchase and use of web-based
 6 practice tests for the high
 7 school graduation exam and
 8 other state required standard-
 9 ized tests, programs to im-
 10 prove reading, and/or math,
 11 and/or science skills to in-
 12 crease grade-to-grade promo-
 13 tion, high school graduation
 14 and college preparedness, and
 15 other activities designed to
 16 assist at-risk students. The
 17 State Department of Education
 18 shall monitor the use of these
 19 funds and shall assure that
 20 they are used only in a manner
 21 designed to provide additional
 22 assistance above and beyond
 23 the regular instructional pro-
 24 gram for at-risk students.
 25 At-risk funds shall not be
 26 used to supplant any other
 27 funding of summer schools or
 28 other activities which are
 29 designed to serve the general
 30 student population but must be
 31 used for specific programs for
 32 at-risk students. At-risk stu-
 33 dents shall be defined as
 34 those students who score at
 35 level 1 or level 2 (not profi-
 36 cient/partially proficient) in
 37 reading or mathematics on the
 38 current state assessments.
 39 Further, local school faculty
 40 and the school principal shall
 41 make specific recommendations
 42 for students at the school to
 43 be included as participants in
 44 the at-risk program. At-risk
 45 funds may be expended for stu-
 46 dent programs to improve the
 47 efficiency and utilization of
 48 technology-based educational

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1 resources in the classroom. As
 2 a part of the above appropria-
 3 tion for the At-Risk Student
 4 Program, there is hereby ap-
 5 propriated \$750,000 for the
 6 Alabama Student Information
 7 Management System (ASIMS).
 8 ASIMS will connect each school
 9 in Alabama with the Department
 10 of Education through a common
 11 software program in order to
 12 assimilate data necessary to
 13 comply with state accountabil-
 14 ity standards, the collection
 15 of statewide student health
 16 data, Legislative Fiscal Of-
 17 fice requests, and the 2001
 18 Reauthorization of the Elemen-
 19 tary and Secondary Education
 20 Act (ESEA). It is the intent
 21 of the Legislature that
 22 schools and school systems
 23 involve the community in plan-
 24 ning and implementing at-risk
 25 programs. Therefore, schools
 26 shall expend at least 20% of
 27 the at-risk funds to partner
 28 with non-profit community or-
 29 ganizations in planning and
 30 implementing at-risk programs
 31 which directly assist in im-
 32 proving academic performance.
 33 Such programs may include, but
 34 not be limited to, Boys and
 35 Girls Clubs, YMCAs, 21st Cen-
 36 tury Leadership, Pell City
 37 Bridge Builders, Alabama Young
 38 Farmers Education Program, and
 39 local civic and charitable
 40 organizations. It is the in-
 41 tent of the Legislature that
 42 these funds not be utilized to
 43 partner with governmental nor
 44 quasi-governmental agencies
 45 and entities whose functions
 46 already include programs des-
 47 ignated for at-risk funding.
 48 The local school board shall

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1	set forth the efforts made to		
2	identify and involve community		
3	organizations. The local board		
4	shall revert to the ETF any		
5	portion of the 20% of its		
6	at-risk funding which was not		
7	expended on partnerships with		
8	qualifying community organiza-		
9	tions. If after a diligent		
10	process the local board cannot		
11	identify effective community		
12	organizations, the local board		
13	may request a waiver from this		
14	20% requirement from the State		
15	Superintendent of Education.		
16	The local board must submit an		
17	alternative plan to the State		
18	Superintendent accompanying		
19	the request for the waiver.		
20	The State Superintendent may		
21	approve a waiver only upon		
22	good and sufficient cause. In		
23	appropriate situations, busi-		
24	nesses may partner with		
25	schools or school systems for		
26	at-risk programs but may not		
27	receive any compensation or		
28	reimbursement for expenses or		
29	other costs. The State Board		
30	of Education is hereby autho-		
31	rized, at its discretion, to		
32	institute a pilot program to		
33	employ behavioral support spe-		
34	cialists in public middle		
35	schools.		
36	(d) Endowment Interest Pro-		
37	gram-Public School Fund,		
38	Estimated	532,864	532,864
39	(e) Capital Outlay Pro-		
40	gram-Public School Fund,		
41	Estimated	195,000,000	195,000,000
42	Of the above appropriation		
43	from the Public School Fund,		
44	(a) \$175,000,000 shall be dis-		
45	tributed through the Founda-		
46	tion Program, with local		
47	school systems providing		

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Janie Johnson

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

McDowell Lee

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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SB570
Senate 21-APR-09
I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed
the Senate, as amended.

McDowell Lee
Secretary

House of Representatives
Amended and passed 28-APR-09

Senate concurred in House amendment 30-APR-09

By: Senator Sanders

APPROVED May 4, 2009
TIME 1:15 P.M.

GOVERNOR

Alabama Secretary Of State
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