

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA Department of Education

May 1, 2015

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

## SUBJECT: Individual Student Alternative Education Plan (ISAEP) Program Application for 2015-2016

The Virginia Department of Education will make available \$2,247,581 in fiscal year 2015-2016 to school divisions with Individual Student Alternative Education Plan (ISAEP) programs, as set forth in the *Code of Virginia* §22.1-254D., and approved by the American Council on Education as a GED® Options Program. Because a final state budget has not yet been adopted for fiscal year 2016, this projected amount of funding is still pending final approval by the General Assembly. As the allocations for fiscal year 2016 are dependent on the projected final funding level approved by the General Assembly, you will be notified in the event that the final budget includes a change in the projected level. It is the Virginia Department of Education's goal that all local education agencies participate in the ISAEP program. Funds will provide services for students 16 years of age and older who meet program provisions established in the *Code of Virginia* and in the guidelines of the Virginia Board of Education. The ISAEP program guidelines may be found at <a href="http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/isaep/isaep\_guidelines.pdf">http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/isaep/isaep\_guidelines.pdf</a>.

The application packet for ISAEP funds may be found on the Office of Adult Education and Literacy's (OAEL) Web site at <a href="http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/adulted/grants\_funding/index.shtml">http://www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/adulted/grants\_funding/index.shtml</a>. Your application must be received by OAEL by 2 p.m., May 29, 2015. Please see the application packet for specific instructions about the submission of application materials. If no program is planned, write your school division's name and code, as well as the words "No Program Is Planned," on the face of the cover sheet that is included in the Appendix of the application packet.

Hard copy submissions of the application materials should be returned to:

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If you have questions or need additional program information, please contact Dr. Michael Nusbaum, specialist for adult secondary programs and ISAEP, via e-mail at <a href="michael.nusbaum@doe.virginia.gov">michael.nusbaum@doe.virginia.gov</a>, or by telephone at (804) 786-7644. For questions regarding fiscal issues, please contact Melissa Dixon, grants manager, via e-mail at <a href="melissa.dixon@doe.virginia.gov">melissa.dixon@doe.virginia.gov</a>, or by telephone at (804) 786-7643.