

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA Department of Education

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Revised *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act* (IDEA), P.L. 113-235, 2015-2016 Part B, Section 611, Subgrant Awards for Special Education

Reference is made to <u>Superintendent's Memorandum No. 185-15 (July 31, 2015)</u> that provided notice of the 2015-2016 *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act* (IDEA) Part B (Sections 611 and 619) federal allocations for school divisions and state-operated programs (SOPs) that have submitted an approvable 2015-2016 annual plan. The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) has received notice that, as part of a short-term continuing resolution (CR) passed by Congress, state allocations for 2015-2016 under Part B, Section 611 funds (special education flow-through) have been reduced by 0.2108 percent. State allocation was reduced by 0.1532 percent.

The VDOE has applied this reduction proportionately (formula-driven calculation) to school divisions (LEAs) and state-operated programs (SOPs). The revised subgrant award amounts are attached. All other terms and conditions contained in Superintendent's Memorandum No. 185-15 remain in effect. Part B, Section 619 funds (special education preschool) were not affected by the above-referenced congressional action.

The remaining October 1 allocation (net of reduction) will be updated in the Department of Education's Online Management of Education Grant Awards (OMEGA) system and made available through the reimbursement process to school divisions and SOPs that have an approved annual plan. Questions should be directed to Tracie L. Coleman, special education grants manager, Division of Special Education and Student Services, at Tracie.Coleman@doe.virginia.gov or (804) 225-2704.

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Attachment:

A. Revised 2015-2016 Section 611, Flow-through Funds (PDF)