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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey *EGM*
State Superintendent of Education

RE: Alabama State Department of Education/A+ College Ready Program
2026-2027 Cohort XIX Applications

I am pleased to announce the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE)/A+ College Ready Program's Grant Opportunity for 2026-2027, which is issued by the ALSDE in partnership with A+ College Ready. A+ College Ready, a division of the A+ Education Partnership, is a non-profit organization that partners with the ALSDE and private sector contributors to maximize college readiness and AP success in schools across the state.

The A+ College Ready training and incentive program is designed to support the implementation of Alabama's courses of study in all four core disciplines (mathematics, science, English, and social studies), as well as the Digital Literacy and Computer Science (DLCS) standards in Grades K-12; strengthen the teaching of AP mathematics, science, English, social studies, computer science, art, and Spanish courses; build enrollment in these courses; and increase the number of students taking and earning qualifying scores on AP exams. New program schools will be selected through this competitive grant opportunity with participation beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.

The digital grant opportunity details the components of the ALSDE/A+ College Ready Program, preliminary selection criteria, and expected school/school district commitment. The digital version may be found at this link: [ALSDE/A+ College Readiness Program Grant Opportunity](#). The deadline to submit applications is October 1, 2025.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mrs. Teri Thompson, Vice President, Operations, A+ College Ready, by telephone at (334) 354-4528 or by email at teri@aplusala.org or Dr. Michal G. Robinson, AP Program Manager, ALSDE, by telephone at (334) 694-4768 or by email at apib@alsde.edu.

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