

# STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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#### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey

State Superintendent of Education

**RE:** Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Grant Supporting Implementation of the

Alabama Literacy Act

In support of the educational initiatives of the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), an Alabama Reading Initiative (ARI) Program Improvement Grant was offered for local education agencies (LEAs) and educational preparation programs to enhance their implementation of the *Alabama Literacy Act* in Alabama public schools, including charter schools. This grant was offered to support initiatives that improve quality, relevance, and effectiveness, ultimately preparing students for literacy success. Awarded grants are listed in the attachment. The Fund Source Code is 2901. These funds are available for FY 2026 expenditures. These grantees are permitted to spend their funding on the following elements outlined in the grant process.

- Funds for the Local Reading Specialist to serve in his/her intended position of coach for summer learning 2026 (PRIORITY AREA).
- Funds for the ARI Funded Interventionist to serve in his/her intended position of interventionist for summer learning 2026 (PRIORITY AREA).
- Funds to support the travel and materials related to the ARI Funded Interventionist position.
- Approved Literacy Task Force Core Reading Program needs.
- Approved Literacy Task Force Intervention Reading Program needs.
- Professional learning that is outlined in the Continuum for Teacher Development.
- Outside of school interventions (summer learning; before/after school tutoring).
- Materials and supplies that are directly related to improving K-3 literacy assessment outcomes including the early years assessments and the ACAP summative assessment.
- Incentives for improving literacy outcomes (these must be directly related).
- Support additional costs incurred for the interventionist or local reading specialist position.
- Allowable purchases outside of the items listed above will receive an email to follow
  with the specialty request that was included in their application and their district will be
  notated with an (\*).

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The grantees will **NOT** be allowed to spend the funding on the following prohibited items:

- Any materials or professional learning that employs the Three-Cueing system of learning.
- Any core reading program that is not approved by the Literacy Task Force.
- Any Tier 3 intervention program that is not approved by the Literacy Task Force.
- Any assessment funding requests unless it is for professional learning of the program.
- Any assessment program that is not approved by the Literacy Task Force.
- Furniture.
- Food.
- Technology needs not explicitly approved by ARI.
- Any established position since it is a one-time opportunity.

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Literacy Leadership Specialist or contact Mrs. Vickie Chappelle, ARI Administrator, by telephone at 334-694-4632, or by email at <a href="mailto:vchappelle@alsde.edu">vchappelle@alsde.edu</a>.

#### EGM/BS/AM

#### Attachment

cc: City and County Curriculum Directors

City and County Chief School Financial Officers

Mrs. Angela Martin

Mr. Arthur Watts

Dr. Melissa Shields

Mrs. Bonnie Short

Ms. Nancy Smith

Mr. Brady Vaughn

FY25-2078

Sys Code	System Name	# K-3 Schools or EPPs	Total Funded Grants	Amount of Funding Requested Per Grant	Total Amount Awarded
001	Autauga County	7	7	\$20,000.00	\$140,000.00
002	Baldwin County	25	25	\$20,000.00	\$500,000.00
003	Barbour County	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
004	Bibb County	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
005	Blount County	8	8	\$10,000.00	\$80,000.00
006	<b>Bullock County</b>	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
007	<b>Butler County</b>	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
008	Calhoun County	7	7	\$20,000.00	\$140,000.00
009	<b>Chambers County</b>	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
010	Cherokee County	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
011	Chilton County	6	6	\$20,000.00	\$120,000.00
012	Choctaw County	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
013	Clarke County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
014	Clay County	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
015	Cleburne County	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
016	Coffee County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
017	Colbert County	5	5	\$15,000.00	\$75,000.00
018	Conecuh County	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
019	Coosa County	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
020	<b>Covington County</b>	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
021	Crenshaw County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
022	Cullman County	12	12	\$20,000.00	\$240,000.00
023	Dale County	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
024	Dallas County	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
025	DeKalb County	10	10	\$20,000.00	\$200,000.00
026	Elmore County	7	7	\$20,000.00	\$140,000.00
027	Escambia County	6	6	\$20,000.00	\$120,000.00
028	Etowah County	11	11	\$20,000.00	\$220,000.00
029	Fayette County	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
030	Franklin County	6	6	\$10,000.00	\$60,000.00
031	Geneva County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
032	Greene County	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
033	Hale County	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
034	Henry County	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
035	<b>Houston County</b>	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
036	Jackson County	12	12	\$20,000.00	\$240,000.00
037	Jefferson County	31	31	\$20,000.00	\$620,000.00
038	Lamar County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
039	Lauderdale County	8	8	\$20,000.00	\$160,000.00
040	Lawrence County	7	7	\$20,000.00	\$140,000.00

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041	Lee County	7	7	\$20,000.00	\$140,000.00
042	Limestone County	9	9	\$20,000.00	\$180,000.00
043	<b>Lowndes County</b>	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
044	Macon County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
045	Madison County	16	16	\$20,000.00	\$320,000.00
046	Marengo County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
047	Marion County	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
048	Marshall County	8	8	\$20,000.00	\$160,000.00
049	Mobile County	52	52	\$20,000.00	\$1,040,000.00
050	Monroe County	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
051	Montgomery County	30	30	\$20,000.00	\$600,000.00
052	Morgan County	8	8	\$20,000.00	\$160,000.00
053	Perry County	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
054	Pickens County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
055	Pike County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
056	Randolph County	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
057	Russell County	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
058	St Clair County	9	9	\$20,000.00	\$180,000.00
059	Shelby County	14	14	\$20,000.00	\$280,000.00
060	Sumter County	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
061	Talladega County	8	8	\$20,000.00	\$160,000.00
062	Tallapoosa County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
063	Tuscaloosa County	20	20	\$20,000.00	\$400,000.00
064	Walker County	8	8	\$20,000.00	\$160,000.00
065	Washington County	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
066	Wilcox County	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
067	Winston County	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
101	Albertville City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
102	Alexander City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
103	Alabaster City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
104	Andalusia City	1	1	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
105	Anniston City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
106	Arab City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
107	Athens City	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
109	Attalla City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
110	Auburn City	10	10	\$20,000.00	\$200,000.00
113	Bessemer City	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
114	Birmingham City	28	28	\$20,000.00	\$560,000.00
115	Boaz City	2	2	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00
116	Brewton City	1	1	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

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121	Chickasaw City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
125	Cullman City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
126	Daleville City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
127	Decatur City	12	12	\$20,000.00	\$240,000.00
128	Demopolis City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
130	Dothan City	10	10	\$20,000.00	\$200,000.00
131	Elba City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
132	Enterprise City	6	6	\$20,000.00	\$120,000.00
133	Eufaula City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
137	Fairfield City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
141	Florence City	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
143	Fort Payne City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
144	Gadsden City	8	8	\$20,000.00	\$160,000.00
146	Geneva City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
152	Gulf Shores City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
154	Guntersville City	2	2	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00
155	Haleyville City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
156	Hartselle City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
157	Homewood City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
158	<b>Hoover City</b>	11	11	\$20,000.00	\$220,000.00
159	Huntsville City	26	26	\$20,000.00	\$520,000.00
162	Jacksonville City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
163	Jasper City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
165	Lanett City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
167	Leeds City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
168	Linden City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
169	Madison City	7	7	\$20,000.00	\$140,000.00
171	Midfield City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
174	Orange Beach City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
175	Mountain Brook City	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
176	Muscle Shoals City	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
177	Pelham City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
178	Oneonta City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
179	Opelika City	6	6	\$20,000.00	\$120,000.00
180	Opp City	1	1	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
181	Oxford City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
182	Ozark City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
183	Pell City	4	4	\$20,000.00	\$80,000.00
184	Phenix City	7	7	\$20,000.00	\$140,000.00
185	Piedmont City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00

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186	Pike Road City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
187	Saraland City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
188	Roanoke City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
189	Russellville City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
190	Scottsboro City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
191	Selma City	5	5	\$20,000.00	\$100,000.00
192	Sheffield City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
193	Sylacauga City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
194	Talladega City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
195	Tallassee City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
196	Satsuma City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
197	Tarrant City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
198	Thomasville City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$18,000.00
199	Troy City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
200	Tuscaloosa City	12	12	\$20,000.00	\$240,000.00
201	Tuscumbia City	2	2	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00
202	Vestavia Hills City	5	5	\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00
204	Winfield City	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
205	Trussville City	3	3	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00
801	<b>University Charter School</b>	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
802	LEAD Academy	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
803	Legacy Prep	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
805	i3 Academy	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
807	LIFE Academy	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
808	<b>Breakthrough Charter School</b>	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
809	Ivy Classical Academy	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
811	<b>Empower Schools of Alabama</b>	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
813	<b>Covenant Academy of Mobile</b>	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
815	Freedom Prep Academy	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
817	Independence Preparatory Academy	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
500	Alabama A & M University (*)	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
506	Alabama State University	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
508	Athens State University	1	1	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
510	Auburn University	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
511	Auburn University At Montgomery (*)	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
B3L	Birmingham Southern College	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
B3N	Faulkner University	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
B3O	Huntingdon College	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
518	Jacksonville State University	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
AGB	Miles College	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00

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B3R	Oakwood College	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
ВЗТ	Samford University	1	1	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
B3S	Selma University	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
AF1	Spring Hill College	1	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
AFC	Stillman College	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
AEF	Talladega College	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
548	Troy University	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
B2J	Tuskegee University	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
552	University Of Alabama	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
554	University Of Alabama - Birmingham	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
556	University Of Alabama - Huntsville	1	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
B3V	University Of Mobile	1	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
504	University Of Montevallo	1	1	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00
514	University Of North Alabama	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
558	University Of South Alabama	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
522	University Of West Alabama	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00

Systems that did not submit were contacted for additional opportunities to apply for a grant. All districts that applied for a grant were able to receive one. If the dollar amount is lower than \$20,000, it is due to the amount requested by the district.