



STATE OF ALABAMA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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State Superintendent of Education

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**MEMORANDUM**

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

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

**RE:** Private School Enrollment Survey

Federal guidelines for the *Every Student Succeeds Act* (ESSA) require that all private and parochial schools within the attendance areas of each local education agency (LEA) be contacted annually and offered the opportunity to participate in those federal programs. The link and instructions for reporting current-year enrollment in private and parochial schools can be found in eGAP 2.0 under ALSDE Resources: Equitable Services with the name "2025-2026 Private School Enrollment Survey Instructions." Each LEA must complete and submit the online survey even if it currently does not have participating private schools. Your completed online survey should be submitted by March 2, 2026.

Please be mindful that this data request does not serve as the private schools' invitation to participate in the various federal programs served by the LEA. Although this memo may be a part of the information provided to the private schools, it does not meet the equitable participation requirements as outlined in ESSA guidance.

If you have any questions or need immediate assistance, contact Mrs. Yolonda Averett at 334-694-4516 or your regional federal programs specialist.

EGM/YA/CPJ

cc: City and County Federal Programs Coordinators

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