



STATE OF ALABAMA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION




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State Superintendent of Education

May 14, 2026

**MEMORANDUM**

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

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

**RE:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Elementary Reading and Math Assessment Windows and Funding

The dates required by the *Alabama Literacy Act* (ALA) and the *Alabama Numeracy Act* (ANA) for the 2026-2027 Elementary Reading and Math Assessments involving kindergarten through fifth grade students have been finalized and are linked in [Attachment A](#), including dates released in the [January 9, 2026, memorandum](#). The First Grade Readiness Assessment and the Kindergarten Entry Assessment are also included. Attachment A outlines the assessment windows for K-5 reading and math. The linked memoranda provide the list of approved vendors from the [Alabama Literacy Task Force](#) and the [Elementary Mathematics Task Force](#) for the 2026–2027 school year.

**Funding for the Early Years Assessments (EYA) for Reading and Formative Benchmark Assessments (FBA), Screeners, and Intervention Resources for Math:**

The per-pupil allocation is based on the previous fiscal year’s average daily membership (ADM) and is contingent on meeting the requirements outlined below. Funds are set to be released in two installments, with payments in January and April of 2027. Attachments B-D are linked below to a folder containing the allocation information. Please note that the funding for Mathematics Assessments and Screeners, listed in Attachment D, is now combined into a single fund source with no special use codes, allowing flexibility in spending across the categories. Funds listed in Attachments B and C remain restricted to their designated purpose. Local education agencies (LEAs) will be allocated \$6 per pupil for each of the following screeners:

[Attachments B-D: FY 2027 Elementary Reading and Math Assessment Funding](#)

**Reading: Attachment B (click link above)**

- EYA Reading, Grades K-3, Fund Source 1262-Special Use Code 0044
- EYA Reading, Grades 4-5, Fund Source 1775

**Math: Attachment C (click link above)**

- FBA Math, Grades K-3, Fund Source 1262, Special Use Code 0043

**Math: Attachment D (click link above)**

- FBA Math, Grades 4-5, Fund Source 1232
- Early Numeracy Screener, Grades K-2, Fund Source 1232
- Fractional Reasoning Screener, Grades 4-5, Fund Source 1232
- Math Intervention Resources, K-5 Intervention Resources, Fund Source 1232

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**Requirements for Funding:**

1. Use the [linked form](#) to indicate the reading and math vendor selections for your district for 2026-2027.
2. Spend funds only on items directly related to the screeners and assessments.
3. Set up an account and create class rosters with each vendor prior to the EYA-Beginning of Year (BOY) testing window.
4. Administer each screener or assessment according to the published guidelines and testing windows.
5. Complete data reporting agreements with vendors allowing direct data reporting to the Alabama State Department of Education.
6. Ensure that data reports and any additional reports are complete and submitted by deadlines.

If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Bonnie Short, Alabama Reading Initiative, by email at [bonnie.short@alsde.edu](mailto:bonnie.short@alsde.edu) or by telephone at 334-694-4632; or Dr. Karen Anderson, Office of Mathematics Improvement, by email at [kanderson1@alsde.edu](mailto:kanderson1@alsde.edu) or by telephone at 334-694-4967.

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