



STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D.
State Superintendent of Education

May 28, 2026

MEMORANDUM

REVISED

TO: County and City Superintendents of Education

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

RE: Updated RAISE Act Guide and FY 2027 Allocations

Act 2025-257 established the *Renewing Alabama's Investment in Student Excellence (RAISE) Act*. The RAISE Act established a process to provide additional funding for public K-12 schools to address the educational needs of specific student populations and improve their outcomes. The RAISE Act has been codified in §16-13-360 to §16-13-368 of the *Code of Alabama (1975)*. **This memorandum as well as memorandum FY25-3034 and all future memoranda on this topic serve as the Alabama State Department of Education's RAISE Act Guide.**

Utilizing the official October 2025 student data collection, school systems will receive funding based on weighted allocations for each qualifying student. The qualifying student categories and the percentage multipliers are established annually as part of the Education Trust Fund (ETF) appropriations. The FY 2027 ETF appropriations are in Act 2026-380. These RAISE Act funds are in addition to the Foundation Program funding.

The attached RAISE Act allocations will be disbursed as part of the monthly Foundation Program disbursement. For tracking purposes, the Revenue Code/Fund Source is 1140. For FY 2027, the following student categories will receive an additional weighted allocation:

CATEGORY	WEIGHT	PROGRAM CODE
Students in Poverty	2.75%	1810
Special Education		
Tier 1	2.5%	2200, 2300, 2400, 2900, 4712
Tier 2	10.0%	
Tier 3	75.0%	
English Language Learners (ELL)	7.0% *	1851
Charter School Students	2.0%	various
Gifted Students	4.75%	2800
* 10% ELL weight if the ELL student count is greater than 9% of ADM		

The number of qualifying students in each category will be accumulated from the information submitted in the official October 2025 student data collection. The **Poverty**

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count will be students reported as Direct Certification. The **Special Education** count and the **ELL** counts will be the students officially designated as **Special Education** and **ELL**.

The individual **Special Education** Tier counts will be determined by the exceptionality identified in the student's Individual Education Program.

- Tier 1 exceptionalities include specific learning disability, speech/language impairment, and other health impairment.
- Tier 2 exceptionalities include autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disability, developmental disability, and multiple disabilities.
- Tier 3 exceptionalities include emotional disturbance or disability, hearing impairment, orthopedic impairment, visual impairment, deaf-blindness, and traumatic brain injury.

The **Charter School** count will be the reported Average Daily Membership (ADM) of public charter schools. The **Gifted** count will be calculated as 5% of the reported ADM.

The RAISE Act allows flexibility across student groups in order to best serve students with the greatest needs. To collect information for reporting purposes, the Department has created a Flexibility Form to be used if your school system chooses to flex 10% or more of the funds between categories. The Flexibility Form will be sent through DocuSign as part of the normal Budget process. Due to the flexibility option, RAISE Act funds will not be eligible for carryover.

The RAISE Act also requires Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to submit a RAISE Act Accountability Plan and Report to the Department on or before **November 1, 2026**. This Plan and Report must establish goals for the achievement of the student groups receiving weighted allocations through the RAISE Fund that are in alignment with the student achievement goals established in Alabama's plan under *the Every Student Succeeds Act* (ESSA) or its successors and any previous guidance provided by the Department. The Plan and Report must also describe the LEA's planned expenditures at the system and school level for the student groups receiving weighted allocations through the RAISE Fund and provide an analysis on the previous year's progress of those student groups. The Department will provide a RAISE Act Accountability Plan and Report Form to LEAs to use in compliance with this section on or before **October 1, 2026**.

If you have any questions or need additional information related to the financial components of the RAISE Act, please contact Mrs. Sonja Peaspanen (speaspanen@alsde.edu). If you have any questions or need additional information related to other areas of the RAISE Act, please contact Mr. Chuck Marcum (chuck.marcum@alsde.edu).

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Attachments (REVISED)

FY26-3027

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Special Education

System Code	System	Poverty	Special Education	ELL	Gifted	Charter	Total	Tier I	Tier II	Tier III
001	Autauga County	871,524	640,413	172,081	159,907	0	1,843,925	184,373	238,785	217,255
002	Baldwin County	2,943,547	2,187,814	1,335,549	582,732	0	7,049,642	752,758	859,624	575,432
003	Barbour County	106,572	27,402	62,632	10,413	0	207,019	10,178	17,224	0
004	Bibb County	373,756	244,461	82,205	55,410	0	755,832	66,742	72,027	105,692
005	Blount County	808,227	654,309	351,287	139,082	0	1,952,905	181,046	232,521	240,742
006	Bullock County	235,320	51,671	178,501	23,428	0	488,920	12,526	39,145	0
007	Butler County	417,892	154,231	21,373	46,857	0	640,353	58,326	78,290	17,615
008	Calhoun County	978,312	593,439	143,584	147,263	0	1,862,598	212,166	228,607	152,666
009	Chambers County	424,782	191,419	143,584	57,269	0	817,054	45,800	75,158	70,461
010	Cherokee County	445,451	340,758	32,334	69,913	0	888,456	72,223	92,382	176,153
011	Chilton County	1,002,425	486,181	570,734	144,660	0	2,204,000	158,929	186,330	140,922
012	Choctaw County	173,530	65,764	2,192	18,222	0	259,708	15,658	38,362	11,744
013	Clarke County	335,003	180,067	7,124	37,560	0	559,754	40,711	92,382	46,974
014	Clay County	230,153	128,005	20,825	31,238	0	410,221	23,096	69,678	35,231
015	Cleburne County	266,969	167,541	10,961	46,113	0	491,584	57,152	75,158	35,231
016	Coffee County	343,830	173,217	87,685	55,038	0	659,770	51,476	57,152	64,589
017	Colbert County	334,788	198,661	24,113	46,857	0	604,419	86,706	88,468	23,487
018	Conecuh County	214,436	53,237	30,690	23,056	0	321,419	24,270	28,967	0
019	Coosa County	124,873	66,547	11,509	14,503	0	217,432	23,096	25,836	17,615
020	Covington County	365,360	214,906	19,181	54,666	0	654,113	68,895	93,165	52,846
021	Crenshaw County	297,326	151,491	29,594	38,303	0	516,714	50,106	83,770	17,615
022	Cullman County	1,064,216	752,954	215,924	182,592	0	2,215,686	257,378	307,680	187,896
023	Dale County	393,994	211,579	62,475	63,219	0	731,267	64,002	71,244	76,333
024	Dallas County	408,635	176,544	9,317	39,419	0	633,915	45,408	66,547	64,589
025	DeKalb County	1,260,997	668,401	1,400,608	160,651	0	3,490,657	171,259	227,041	270,101
026	Elmore County	1,170,788	863,735	250,998	210,111	0	2,495,632	282,823	275,581	305,331
027	Escambia County	590,776	273,037	21,921	72,144	0	957,878	69,482	121,350	82,205
028	Etowah County	889,825	709,112	89,877	156,189	0	1,845,003	208,056	289,673	211,383
029	Fayette County	291,082	160,495	15,345	42,022	0	508,944	59,500	65,764	35,231
030	Franklin County	424,782	229,390	347,607	63,963	0	1,065,742	90,425	62,632	76,333
031	Geneva County	2,584	208,252	61,379	51,691	0	323,906	71,244	54,803	82,205
032	Greene County	158,890	33,469	2,740	15,247	0	210,346	9,982	23,487	0
033	Hale County	335,649	195,725	13,701	39,791	0	584,866	28,967	61,066	105,692
034	Henry County	283,332	157,558	20,825	45,741	0	507,456	64,785	51,671	41,102
035	Houston County	847,411	458,780	102,482	127,926	0	1,536,599	152,274	159,712	146,794
036	Jackson County	581,519	331,949	103,030	93,713	0	1,110,211	125,655	141,705	64,589
037	Jefferson County	4,488,522	2,415,639	2,570,260	634,795	0	10,109,216	748,844	1,161,824	504,971
038	Lamar County	238,119	160,886	9,317	38,675	0	446,997	56,369	75,158	29,359

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039	Lauderdale County	714,572	549,791	33,430	146,520	0	1,444,313	191,223	217,646	140,922
040	Lawrence County	573,983	451,537	70,696	84,788	0	1,181,004	128,591	187,896	135,050
041	Lee County	983,048	598,136	216,472	165,114	0	1,962,770	192,985	293,588	111,563
042	Limestone County	1,993,440	1,334,845	451,029	314,608	0	4,093,922	352,305	559,774	422,766
043	Lowndes County	193,337	49,519	4,384	18,966	0	266,206	22,117	15,658	11,744
044	Macon County	293,020	91,991	19,181	30,494	0	434,686	31,316	43,060	17,615
045	Madison County	1,557,032	1,615,514	385,265	381,918	0	3,939,729	352,696	699,130	563,688
046	Marengo County	149,847	72,615	548	17,850	0	240,860	20,943	39,928	11,744
047	Marion County	418,754	226,258	73,984	60,616	0	779,612	59,109	102,560	64,589
048	Marshall County	902,312	550,966	840,834	115,654	0	2,409,766	118,022	198,074	234,870
049	Mobile County	7,388,364	3,998,857	1,204,022	896,225	0	13,487,468	1,220,345	1,768,571	1,009,941
050	Monroe County	415,094	233,305	2,192	53,550	0	704,141	54,020	120,567	58,718
051	Montgomery County	4,245,882	1,528,025	2,476,313	474,888	243,607	8,968,715	303,961	842,400	381,664
052	Morgan County	766,459	447,818	500,273	136,851	0	1,851,401	176,935	153,448	117,435
053	Perry County	148,555	54,217	0	14,131	0	216,903	17,420	25,053	11,744
054	Pickens County	319,932	152,274	48,775	40,163	0	561,144	55,977	72,810	23,487
055	Pike County	307,660	86,315	53,159	35,700	0	482,834	44,430	36,013	5,872
056	Randolph County	273,858	108,628	82,205	37,560	0	502,251	50,693	46,191	11,744
057	Russell County	420,907	209,818	38,362	69,913	0	739,000	71,244	79,856	58,718
058	St Clair County	905,326	727,511	156,737	175,898	0	1,965,472	203,750	277,147	246,614
059	Shelby County	1,461,224	2,413,289	633,523	375,968	0	4,884,004	381,272	663,899	1,368,118
060	Sumter County	157,167	57,152	548	15,619	0	230,486	14,092	31,316	11,744
061	Talladega County	888,317	498,120	39,458	126,810	0	1,552,705	150,121	201,205	146,794
062	Tallapoosa County	339,955	204,923	18,633	52,435	0	615,946	65,176	51,671	88,076
063	Tuscaloosa County	2,292,703	1,603,576	853,283	359,606	0	5,109,168	383,817	761,762	457,997
064	Walker County	866,788	672,511	88,781	125,695	0	1,753,775	167,932	263,837	240,742
065	Washington County	282,470	126,047	4,384	43,882	0	456,783	49,714	58,718	17,615
066	Wilcox County	218,742	78,291	548	20,081	0	317,662	10,961	55,586	11,744
067	Winston County	251,037	209,230	3,836	42,022	0	506,125	81,226	86,902	41,102
101	Albertville City	846,550	288,499	1,694,979	104,869	0	2,934,897	71,244	105,692	111,563
102	Alexander City	373,541	165,584	62,475	48,344	0	649,944	41,102	65,764	58,718
103	Alabaster City	522,958	663,507	529,240	115,282	0	1,830,987	92,382	201,205	369,920
104	Andalusia City	215,728	142,292	10,961	32,725	0	401,706	47,561	71,244	23,487
105	Anniston City	321,009	137,008	19,181	31,610	0	508,808	34,056	50,106	52,846
106	Arab City	176,544	116,065	18,633	46,857	0	358,099	48,344	50,106	17,615
107	Athens City	503,796	325,882	526,892	104,869	0	1,461,439	96,101	129,961	99,820
109	Attalla City	216,159	84,553	36,170	26,403	0	363,285	29,750	31,316	23,487
110	Auburn City	547,932	481,679	836,137	174,039	0	2,039,787	151,687	241,916	88,076

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113	Bessemer City	533,938	135,834	199,640	53,922	0	923,334	37,188	86,902	11,744
114	Birmingham City	3,548,533	1,235,416	1,597,899	370,390	0	6,752,238	357,002	631,800	246,614
115	Boaz City	371,603	156,189	443,121	46,857	0	1,017,770	26,619	64,981	64,589
116	Brewton City	135,637	45,017	6,576	21,197	0	208,427	18,398	26,619	0
121	Chickasaw City	607,139	334,299	44,390	64,335	0	1,050,163	91,208	166,758	76,333
125	Cullman City	191,399	268,926	72,888	59,500	0	592,713	62,632	94,731	111,563
126	Daleville City	179,558	83,184	104,126	21,197	0	388,065	24,466	35,231	23,487
127	Decatur City	1,237,961	750,998	1,568,931	161,395	0	3,719,285	172,434	331,950	246,614
128	Demopolis City	231,014	131,919	44,390	34,213	0	441,536	18,398	54,803	58,718
130	Dothan City	1,320,420	690,322	242,229	153,585	0	2,406,556	220,974	263,837	205,511
131	Elba City	97,099	28,771	7,124	11,528	0	144,522	13,896	14,875	0
132	Enterprise City	570,969	299,851	530,023	119,745	0	1,520,588	87,685	141,705	70,461
133	Eufaula City	1,419,887	695,019	160,025	162,139	0	2,437,070	169,302	320,206	205,511
137	Fairfield City	234,890	67,721	24,113	22,685	0	349,409	22,704	27,402	17,615
141	Florence City	572,907	329,210	164,409	85,160	0	1,151,686	104,126	172,238	52,846
143	Fort Payne City	472,363	196,116	587,958	63,591	0	1,320,028	44,625	86,902	64,589
144	Gadsden City	809,088	485,790	545,681	91,482	0	1,932,041	110,389	134,659	240,742
146	Geneva City	129,824	60,871	8,220	21,197	0	220,112	23,683	19,573	17,615
152	Gulf Shores City	200,227	143,857	49,323	50,575	0	443,982	37,383	59,500	46,974
154	Guntersville City	164,057	91,208	61,927	32,353	0	349,545	23,096	44,625	23,487
155	Haleyville City	169,224	97,080	69,600	28,263	0	364,167	38,362	46,974	11,744
156	Hartselle City	235,751	259,140	15,893	68,054	0	578,838	76,724	100,211	82,205
157	Homewood City	188,601	179,871	163,313	83,301	0	615,086	32,295	106,474	41,102
158	Hoover City	725,122	961,401	594,613	250,645	0	2,531,781	205,120	474,437	281,844
159	Huntsville City	2,482,811	1,936,699	1,857,039	440,303	0	6,716,852	480,896	980,191	475,612
162	Jacksonville City	185,586	118,610	13,153	31,238	0	348,587	34,448	66,547	17,615
163	Jasper City	330,912	234,871	360,134	54,666	0	980,583	70,070	88,468	76,333
165	Lanett City	158,674	47,952	237,219	18,594	0	462,439	18,985	28,967	0
167	Leeds City	233,167	155,210	78,916	41,278	0	508,571	48,344	54,020	52,846
168	Linden City	80,737	25,053	0	7,809	0	113,599	6,655	12,526	5,872
169	Madison City	575,706	1,036,755	368,276	245,067	0	2,225,804	230,760	436,075	369,920
171	Midfield City	177,190	50,693	64,197	17,106	0	309,186	15,071	18,007	17,615
174	Orange Beach City	52,317	46,192	6,576	23,428	0	128,513	16,441	18,007	11,744
175	Mountain Brook City	23,898	248,571	3,836	82,557	0	358,862	88,859	89,251	70,461
176	Muscle Shoals City	219,388	174,783	65,764	53,922	0	513,857	60,088	73,593	41,102
177	Pelham City	305,722	243,286	380,490	62,847	0	992,345	57,739	115,086	70,461
178	Oneonta City	126,810	63,415	112,737	25,660	0	328,622	16,049	18,007	29,359
179	Opelika City	699,717	395,951	483,050	99,663	0	1,678,381	83,183	154,231	158,537

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180	Opp City	169,439	73,592	8,768	23,800	0	275,599	26,227	29,750	17,615
181	Oxford City	482,912	330,776	169,889	74,004	0	1,057,581	62,241	151,100	117,435
182	Ozark City	269,122	127,612	16,989	32,353	0	446,076	33,273	76,724	17,615
183	Pell City	448,034	399,670	57,543	75,119	0	980,366	90,816	126,830	182,024
184	Phenix City	888,533	327,253	147,420	127,554	0	1,490,760	108,823	159,712	58,718
185	Piedmont City	137,575	68,699	2,740	19,338	0	228,352	21,334	29,750	17,615
186	Pike Road City	151,569	150,708	89,877	53,178	0	445,332	35,622	91,599	23,487
187	Saraland City	255,989	219,211	26,853	62,847	0	564,900	55,194	99,428	64,589
188	Roanoke City	201,303	60,284	4,384	24,916	0	290,887	21,921	26,619	11,744
189	Russellville City	362,992	157,951	734,360	47,228	0	1,302,531	40,124	88,468	29,359
190	Scottsboro City	247,162	137,595	78,916	44,253	0	507,926	47,561	66,547	23,487
191	Selma City	434,255	160,886	1,644	41,278	0	638,063	40,711	90,816	29,359
192	Sheffield City	151,785	80,442	19,729	17,478	0	269,434	26,031	36,796	17,615
193	Sylacauga City	260,295	128,591	24,661	36,816	0	450,363	44,821	60,283	23,487
194	Talladega City	245,439	97,275	29,046	26,403	0	398,163	34,252	45,408	17,615
195	Tallassee City	194,844	152,274	29,046	27,519	0	403,683	41,102	64,198	46,974
196	Satsuma City	103,128	88,663	1,096	28,635	0	221,522	28,380	36,796	23,487
197	Tarrant City	198,504	43,060	346,824	20,453	0	608,841	18,790	24,270	0
198	Thomasville City	146,187	58,522	6,028	18,594	0	229,331	17,811	28,967	11,744
199	Troy City	268,045	133,876	16,441	34,585	0	452,947	41,885	86,119	5,872
200	Tuscaloosa City	1,444,431	1,008,375	365,536	202,301	0	3,020,643	148,360	560,556	299,459
201	Tuscumbia City	168,363	114,499	18,085	28,263	0	329,210	25,640	47,757	41,102
202	Vestavia Hills City	861	364,048	65,216	127,182	0	557,307	79,464	149,534	135,050
204	Winfield City	118,629	67,525	14,249	21,941	0	222,344	24,074	37,579	5,872
205	Trussville City	164,272	354,654	55,351	91,110	0	665,387	69,287	115,086	170,281
800	MAEF Public Charter Schools	174,391	54,216	4,384	17,106	144,993	395,090	35,035	13,309	5,872
801	University Charter School	71,694	47,170	10,413	13,388	114,202	256,867	11,939	23,487	11,744
802	LEAD Academy	134,346	35,035	7,124	14,875	126,219	317,599	8,808	20,355	5,872
803	Legacy Prep	99,898	23,683	0	10,413	88,256	222,250	7,633	10,178	5,872
805	i3 Academy	143,388	75,942	14,249	17,106	142,809	393,494	23,096	35,231	17,615
807	LIFE Academy	97,314	13,505	6,028	9,297	79,801	205,945	5,676	7,829	0
808	Breakthrough Charter School	59,637	19,768	4,932	7,066	59,453	150,856	6,850	7,046	5,872
809	Ivy Classical Academy	53,609	28,185	11,509	14,875	126,446	234,624	12,918	9,395	5,872
810	Magic City Acceptance Academy	32,941	42,277	42,277	5,206	45,353	168,054	7,438	17,224	17,615
811	Empower Schools of Alabama	71,909	24,074	18,633	7,809	64,981	187,406	6,850	5,480	11,744
812	Alabama Aerospace and Aviation	21,099	10,961	2,192	2,975	25,726	62,953	1,957	3,132	5,872
813	Covenant Academy of Mobile	65,235	12,330	3,836	7,066	58,749	147,216	6,850	5,480	0
815	Freedom Prep Academy	28,850	9,199	3,288	2,975	24,152	68,464	2,153	7,046	0

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System Code	System	Poverty	Special Education	ELL	Gifted	Charter	Total	Tier I	Tier II	Tier III
816	Floretta P. Carson Visual and Performing Arts	27,989	19,573	548	3,719	30,580	82,409	3,132	4,697	11,744
817	Independence Preparatory Academy	9,042	1,174	0	1,116	8,338	19,670	391	783	0
818	I Dream Big Charter Schools	24,975	4,698	0	3,347	27,292	60,312	1,566	3,132	0