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Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D. Secretary and Executive Officer November 23, 2020

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO:

City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM:

Eric G. Mackey

State Superintendent of Education

RE:

Updating End-of-Academic-Year Dates in InformationNOW

Due to COVID-19 and the delayed start for many local education agencies (LEAs), current school and LEA calendars may not be up-to-date. As LEAs begin the transition from InformationNOW (INOW) to PowerSchool, it is important that any changes that have been made to school or LEA academic calendars be updated in INOW. Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) staff and PowerSchool implementation specialists regularly check dates in the Education Directory (Ed Dir) to try to avoid conflicts in scheduling meetings with LEA staff. The dates in Ed Dir are pulled directly from INOW, so it is imperative that those dates are correct. Please update your calendar in INOW before December 1, 2020, for the rest of the 2020-2021 school year.

The ALSDE wants to ensure that the transition from INOW to PowerSchool happens as smoothly as possible. Keeping your LEA calendar up to date will help tremendously.

For additional information, contact Jean Scott jscott@alsde.edu.

Thank you for all you do to support learning in Alabama.

EGM/JS/MD

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