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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey

State Superintendent of Education

RE: "Live" Training on Utilizing the EDUCATEAlabama and LEADAlabama Platforms via Zoom

The Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), Professional Learning Section, will present four "Live" presentations via Zoom on utilizing the EDUCATEAlabama (EA) and LEADAlabama (LA) platforms on the AIM portal. These sessions will also be recorded for viewing by participants who are unable to attend virtually via Zoom and will be archived as You Tube videos for districts to view during school and staff meetings or at their leisure.

The Alabama Supercomputer, who are the contractors for the Teaching Effectiveness platforms, will conduct these "Live" sessions for the ALSDE prior to the upcoming 2020-2021 school year <u>for those districts currently using the EA and LA platforms</u>. These presentations will provide teachers, principals, and central office staff the ability to ask questions regarding the use of the platform and the appropriate way to gather and enter data for their Professional Learning Plan.

We anticipate some opening remarks to spark discussion and provide guidance on how to maneuver the platform from the user's perspective and the appropriate way to add and write an "Evidence Entry" in EA and LA. These "Live" presentations will be facilitated by two veteran administrators from Madison County and Covington County and three veteran teachers from each of the two counties. They will provide participants with a question and answer discussion to ensure that professional learning continues throughout the educators' career by promoting personal professional growth and an increase in student achievement.

The four "Live" presentations will be identical; however, we expect the questions to vary from session to session. The sessions will be conducted regionally using the attached Regional Inservice Center map to manage the size of the virtual presentations.

The following is the presentation schedule and the link that will be used for all four sessions: https://zoom.us/meeting/tJ0scuisrTstGNSpZuylyC64bMPYFxGcpjo-/ics?icsToken=98tyKuChrz4rHteVtxuHRox5BY 4d-jztmJajY1ujCXwGixKQVWiNM9yC5RnN9vA

- Presentation 1 Friday, July 24, 2020 10 a.m. to 12 Noon (Regions 10 & 11)
- Presentation 2 Monday, July 27, 2020 10 a.m. to 12 Noon (Regions 4, 5, & 6)
- Presentation 3 Friday, July 31, 2020 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. (Regions 7, 8, & 9)
- Presentation 4 Monday, August 3, 2020 10 a.m. to 12 Noon (Regions 1, 2, & 3)

If you have questions regarding this training, please contact Ms. Elainer Jones by email at ejones@alsde.edu or by telephone at 334-694-4826.

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Attachment

cc: Principals
Teachers
Evaluation Coordinators

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