September 25, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO:       City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM:     Eric G. Mackey EGM
            State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT:  Teacher Shortage Areas

In an effort to comply with the United States Department of Education guidelines to identify the teacher shortages in Alabama, we must identify the areas that were most difficult to fill. In order to accomplish this task, we are in the process of collecting the annual data to obtain an accurate statewide count of teacher shortages.

Please provide a listing of the 2019-2020 teacher position(s) that you were unable to fill or had difficulty filling for the 2019-2020 school year by identifying the subject areas and grade levels. In addition, please provide the projected teacher shortage numbers for the 2019-2020 school year. If the area was Special Education, please identify the specific area in Special Education; for example, Gifted, Speech, etc.

Please submit this information by October 25, 2019. You may mail your information to Dr. Debra G. Gosha, Coordinator of Educator Recruitment and Placement, 5202 Gordon Persons Building, P. O. Box 302101, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-2101 or email it to dgosha@alsde.edu.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Gosha at (334) 694-4594 or at the email address listed above. Thank you for all you do for the students of Alabama schools.

EGM/DGG/SG

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