December 15, 2021

MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey  
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. To accomplish this task, we are in the process of collecting the annual data to obtain an accurate statewide count of teacher shortages. This information is due to the United States Department of Education in the fall of each year. We are behind schedule in requesting this information. Thus, we request that this information be provided as quickly as possible.

Please provide a listing of the 2021-2022 teacher position(s) that you have been unable to fill or had difficulty filling for the 2021-2022 school year by identifying the subject areas and grade levels. In addition, please provide the projected teacher shortage numbers for the 2022-2023 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 January 10, 2022. You may mail your information to Dr. Jayne A. Meyer, Alabama State Department of Education, P. O. Box 302101, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-2101 or email it to Ms. Holly M. Summerlin at holly.summerlin@alsde.edu.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Meyer by telephone at (334) 694-4597 or by email at jmeyer@alsde.edu. Thank you for all you do for the students of Alabama schools.

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cc: Human Resource Directors
    Mrs. Angela Martin
    Dr. Jayne A. Meyer

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