



STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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State Superintendent of Education

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MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

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

RE: Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS) Stipend for Mastery Funding

The LETRS Stipend for Mastery candidate verification is complete. Local education agency (LEA) allocations will be reimbursed to each applicable LEA with eligible candidates. The LEA will receive \$1,200 from the Alabama State Department of Education. Verified candidates will receive a \$1,000 stipend and the extra \$200 will cover employer benefit costs associated with the stipend. This stipend is being provided based on the state's

federal appropriation for this current FY 2022. These reimbursable funds are sent to the district after a request is made from the district. Use the reference **LEA code 4303-ESSER II, LETRS. Any remaining portion of the allocation after the stipend and benefit expenses are paid should be used for high-quality instructional materials for that teacher's classroom.** Total funding amounts were provided based on candidate verification at the state level outlined in the [FY22-2041 Memorandum](#) posted on April 20, 2022. Each chief school financial officer (CSFO) will receive a list of verified candidates. [Click here to view funding amounts.](#)

These designations are based on the identified LEA employer as of May 27, 2022. For any employee no longer employed by the LEA, please work to provide the allocation.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Karen Rutledge-Bell, ARI Education Administrator, by email at krbell@alsde.edu or by telephone at 334-694-4638.

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