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TO: Superintendent, Recovery School District, Orleans Parish
Administrators and Board Presidents, Type 5 Charter
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SUBJECT: FY2008-09 MFP Funding

The FY2008-09 MFP Formula adopted by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education was adopted by the Legislature in the 2008 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature. The MFP Resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 207, prescribes how the Recovery School District (RSD), both Operated Schools and Charter Schools, is funded in partnership with the Orleans Parish School District (OPSB), the district of prior jurisdiction.

Student Count

In order to calculate the MFP allocation amounts for the RSD, the student counts for the RSD and OPSB are combined. A projected student count of 32,904 is provided for in the formula, with 9,594 students being in Orleans and 23,310 in the RSD. The 23,310 students projected for the RSD are divided among the RSD Operated Schools and the RSD Charter Schools. Due to the expected increase in student counts, the OPSB, RSD Operated Schools and RSD Charter Schools will be provided initial funding based on the anticipated Fall 2008 student count. Funding will be adjusted based on October 1, 2008 student counts as reported in the Student Information System (SIS) database.

As the registration process progresses and actual student enrollment numbers are available, the MFP Resolution provides that the RSD and the OPSB have the option to ask the State Superintendent to increase the number of students on which monthly payments are made if it is determined that the actual student enrollment will exceed the projected enrollment prior to October 1, 2008.

State and Local Per Pupil Amount

The total MFP State Share and Local Revenue Allocation to RSD Operated and Chartered Schools is \$7,390 per pupil. This includes \$3,204 per pupil from the MFP State Share and \$4,186 from the Local Revenue Allocation.

The RSD State Share is based on the Orleans Parish School Board's Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) State Share per pupil amount from Levels 1, 2, and 3, prior to the continuation of the FY2007-08 pay raise, from the most recent, legislatively approved MFP formula. The MFP formula calculation for FY2008-09 was finalized with the issuance of Circular 1110 on June 30, 2008; therefore, the state per pupil amount is final.

The RSD Local Revenue Allocation is calculated utilizing estimated FY2007-08 total ad valorem and sales tax revenue amounts, excluding those taxes dedicated to debt, tax collection fees, and expenditures for facility acquisition and construction. The local per pupil amount of \$4,186 is determined by dividing the

