

TO: School District Superintendents
Special Education Directors
Private School Facilities

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SUBJECT: Daily Rate

The new daily rate for educational cost per student for School Year 2018-2019 in the Educable Child Program is \$154.95 per day. The daily rate is based on 180 school days per year. The Mississippi Department of Education will provide financial assistance for the educational cost for the placement of students with disabilities in the School Year 2017-2018 Educable Child Program as follows:

- **Parent-Medicaid Placements:** Financial assistance for the educational cost of students with disabilities who are certified by the designated authority as requiring inpatient care in a private intermediate care facility for the Intellectual Disability or psychiatric residential treatment facility with Medicaid reimbursement, shall be eligible and entitled to receive State financial assistance as State funds are available.
- **Parent Placements:** Payment will be made for the first \$600.00 for students who are 6 years and up and for the first \$1,000.00 for students age 5 and under, as State funds are available.
- **School District Placements:** School districts are responsible for the first \$4,984.97. MDE/OSE will be responsible for \$12,462.43 as State funds are available.
- **Department of Human Services Placements:** Reimbursements for the educational cost will be made at 100% of total tuition, as State funds are available.

Note: No Educable Child funds are appropriated for services provided beyond the 180 days.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (601) 359-3498.