# ALABAMA STATE DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION School Superintendents of Alabama

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# Every Child. Every Chance. Every Day.

### **Fundamental Questions**

- 1. Will it help our students become better readers?
- 2. Will it help our students be better prepared for success in Algebra?
- 3. Will it help our students become more productive, responsible citizens when they graduate and enter the workforce?



# **ACHIEVEMENT on a whole new level**

Alabama is 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation for Financial Literacy.

Alabama rises 12 spots on the Nation's Report Card.

Alabama ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in nation for number of new NBCT's.

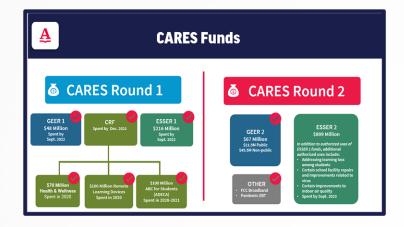


Alabama is top 6 in Computer
Science & tied for 1<sup>st</sup> for female
students in enrolled Computer
Science.

Alabama is ranked 5<sup>th</sup> for low teacher turnover in the nation.



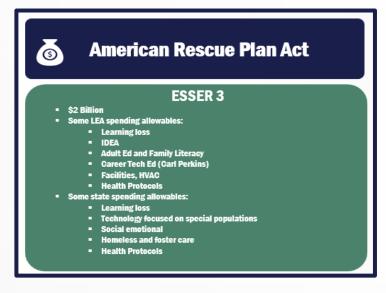
# ALIGNING FUNDING ALLOCATIONS TO TARGETED RECOVERY GAPS & INITIATIVES



#### ESSER 2

Obligation Deadline: Sept. 30, 2023

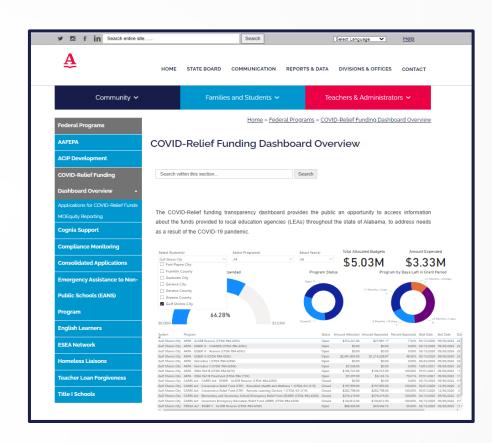
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#### **ESSER 3/ARP ESSER**

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# **Teacher Shortage**



#### Committees

- Alabama Teacher Shortage Task Force
- Teacher Preparation & Certification Work Group
- Teacher Retention Task Force
- TQ2 Roundtable

#### **Greatest Shortage Areas**

Special Education = 300 Early Childhood = 104 Elementary = 183 \*Fall 2022

### **Teacher Pipeline**

**Interest in the Field** 

Preparation and Certification

Early Career Support

**Career Advancement** 

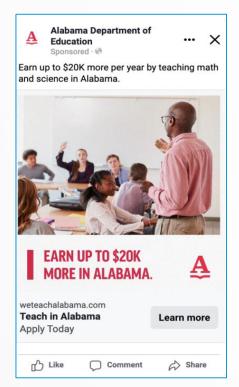
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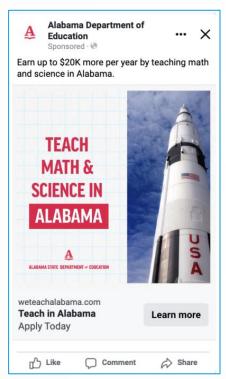
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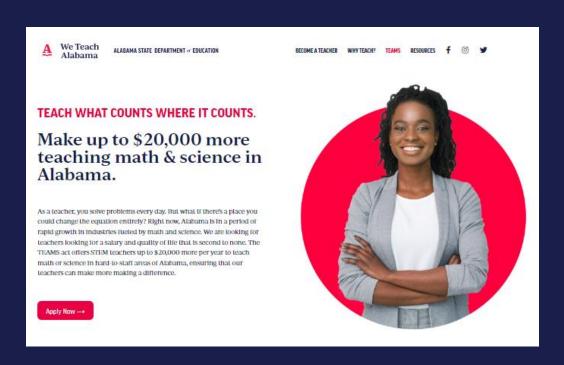


#### **TEAMS Act**

The Teacher Excellence and Accountability for Mathematics and Science (TEAMS) salary schedule provides \$15,000 in additional salary for teachers – plus an additional \$5,000 if the school is designated as a hard-to-staff school.







#### 3,169 TEAMS Teachers

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# SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT



### **Turnaround Schools**





- Lowest performing public elementary schools
- Identify and target specific obstacles
- Resolved identified issues
- Improve academic performance

#### **Birmingham City**

- Hayes K-8 Elementary School
- Hemphill Elementary School
- Charles A. Brown Elementary School
- Washington Elementary School
- West End Academy

Dothan City - Faine Elementary School
Huntsville City - Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School
Barbour County - Barbour County Intermediate School Grade
Mobile County - Chastang-Fournier Middle School
Monroe County - J.F. Shields High School
Montgomery County

- Chisholm Elementary School
- Dozier Elementary School
- Highland Gardens Elementary School

#### **Wilcox County**

- ABC Elementary
- J.E. Hobbs Elementary School



### **Turnaround Schools – Pillars**



Comprehensive Support Schools (CSI) - Federal

Lowest 5% on State Report Card or below 67% graduation rate

Receive yearly funding to support interventions

Assigned ALSDE staff to provide and support continuous improvement interventions

**Identified every 3 years** 

60 schools in 2018

schools in 2022

Governor's Turnaround Initiative

\$10M for improvement

\$3M for auxiliary teachers

ALSDE support includes MTSS, coaching, professional learning

Community and state partnerships, including DMH, DHR, DECE, and the Artistic Literacy Consortium

15 schools identified in 2022 Alabama Literacy Act

Lowest 5% of schools on ACAP *Summative* Reading

ALSDE support includes coaching, resources, ongoing, and job embedded learning

Identified every 3 years

52 schools +3 feeder in 2019

40 schools + feeder patterns in 2022 Alabama Numeracy Act

ALSDE support includes ongoing and sustained professional learning, resources, and math coaches

Full Support schools supported by Regional Math Coordinators on a weekly basis

**Identified Annually** 

19 Full Support

64 Limited Support Schools in 2023



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# Governor Ivey's Journey to the Top 30









- School Leadership
- Teacher Growth and Development
- Improved Classroom Practices
- Strong School Climate



# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



# **2023 Legislative Enactments:** Educators, Administrators, & School Support Personnel



#### **Salary Increase**

- Two Percent Pay Increase for all Public Education Employees
- New Salary Matrix for LPN's & Nurses
- Minimum Pay for all Personnel on a Salary Schedule
- Updated TEAMS Matrix
- Elected Superintendent Compensation
- Career Coaches, Reading Coaches, Math Coaches

#### **Stipends**

- CALT -- \$5,000
- NBCT -- \$5,000 plus another \$5,000 if teaching in a hard-to-staff school
- Teacher Mentor -- \$1,000
- Special Education -- \$1,000
- Speech Pathologist -- \$1,000

#### Professional Development & Other

- Principal Leadership & Mentoring Act
- Training for athletic coaches
- Retired law enforcement can serve as SRO's
- Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact

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# **2023 Legislative Enactments:**Changes to Existing Laws



- Alabama Literacy Act
  - Literacy Coaches
  - Literacy Task Force
- Alabama Accountability Act
- Education Trust Fund Rolling Reserve Act
- Charter Schools



# **2023 Legislative Enactments:** Financial Implications



- Grocery Tax
- Competitive Bidding
- Lt. Governor's K-12 Capital Grant Program
- Transportation Operations & Fleet Renewal
- School Safety
- School Construction
- CCR Grants



# THE PATH FORWARD



# **2024 Legislative Priorities:** FY25 Budget Request



### Alabama State Board of Education FY25 Request (Pending Board Adoption)

- Lower the divisor in grades 4 8
- Increase school safety funding
- Provide an earned unit for assistant principal for all schools with an ADM > 250
- Increase grant and operational funds for College and Career Readiness
- Increase Transportation allocations Operational and Fleet Renewal
- Add an additional 205 Building Based Math Coaches
- Provide funding for MLSE trained Interventionist
- Additional funding for nurse salary matrix
- Additional OCE



### **Administration Updates**



- 10 Mil Match
- ESSER III
- School Construction
- Cybersecurity (MFA)
- MOAs
- Support

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