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**TO:** Title I District Coordinators

**FROM:** Jerry W. Whitmore

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Pursuant to the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act, school districts are required to set aside an amount equal to 20 percent of their Title I funds to provide school choice options for eligible students attending Title I schools identified as in need of improvement, corrective action, or restructuring. Districts must use an amount equal to five percent of their Title I allocation to provide choice with transportation and an amount equal to five percent of their Title I allocation to provide supplemental educational services (SES). The remaining amount equal to ten percent of the allocation must be used for transportation, SES, or both as determined by the school district.

According to the USDE Non-Regulatory Guidance, dated June 2005, a school district must spend the per-pupil cost for SES for each student or the actual cost of the service, whichever is less. Please find attached the chart that shows each district's Title I allocation, the amount of the 20 percent set aside, and the per-pupil allocation for the 2006-2007 school year.

I am asking Mary Jo Butler to share this information with the district SES coordinators.

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