



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
Alternative School Directors

FROM: Sabrina Moore, Director
Office of Student Intervention Services

DATE: April 29, 2015

RE: 2015–16 Alternative School Programs Information

For FY16, funding for alternative school programs will remain under SDE-EIA: Students at Risk of School Failure, which reads in part, “EIA funds appropriated for students at academic risk of school failure, which include funds for Act 135 Academic Assistance, summer school, reduce class size, alternative schools, parent support and family literacy, must be allocated.” Projected allocations for [Students at Risk of School Failure funds](#) may be viewed by each district.

Districts that operate alternative school programs must submit an [Alternative School Plan](#) to the South Carolina Department of Education in accordance with S.C. Code Ann. § 59-63-1350. The 2015–16 plan is due on **June 9, 2015**. Because each district’s plan must be submitted every three years, the plan submitted on or before June 9 will remain in effect through the 2017–18 school year, unless major programmatic changes are made.

If you have any questions about the funding for the Alternative School Program, please contact Mellanie Jinnette, Chief Financial Officer, at (803) 734-3605, Mjinnett@ed.sc.gov. If you have any questions about your district’s alternative school program or the [Alternative School Plan](#), please contact Aveene Coleman at (803) 734-3057, acoleman@ed.sc.gov.