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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School Leads

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Fiscal Year 2020-21 State Aid Notification

On Friday, July 10, 2020, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) posted revised state aid notices for districts and revised charter school aid notices in each school district's or charter school's School Aid folder, which can be accessed through the NJDOE's Homeroom web portal. To assist in the implementation of budget adjustments in light of the revised state aid figures, a guidance document is now available on the NJDOE's website.

Districts that received a revised state aid notice indicating a decrease in state aid when compared to the district's February 27, 2020 state aid notice may transfer/increase the amount of unassigned general fund surplus budgeted in the original budget certified for taxes to provide the resources necessary to address the emergent condition of needing to offset the reduction to 2020-21 state aid to maintain a thorough and efficient (T&E) education. NJDOE grants this permission pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18A:22-8.1 and *N.J.A.C.* 6A:23A-13.3 (b) and (c).

Any district that is set to receive decreased state aid must follow the instructions in the guidance document referenced above. All districts are encouraged to review their revised state aid notices and the NJDOE's guidance for detailed information on implementing 2020-21 budget adjustments.

If you have any questions about your state aid notification, please email staid@doe.nj.gov, or if you need additional guidance regarding how to account for these changes, please email budget@doe.nj.gov.

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