August 4, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Thomas R. Bice
State Superintendent of Education

SUBJECT: Alabama’s National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) Appropriations for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 appropriation for Alabama’s Incentive Program for National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) is $9,427,424. Language for the line item states: “The above appropriation includes funds to pay salary supplements and benefits costs for NBCTs and other costs of the program. Supplement amounts will be determined by the availability of funds based on the number of National Board Certified Teachers.”

You will notice that the language no longer includes an annual commitment, nor does it specify a specific amount of the salary supplement. Based on the number of National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) for FY 2015, a $5,000 warrant will be issued to your system for each Board Certified teacher. From that amount, you may deduct the teacher’s individual benefits payment. After that deduction is made, please issue a check for the remaining amount to the teacher(s).

Please share this memorandum with your Board Certified teachers and your chief school financial officer.

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