October 1, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Thomas R. Bice State Superintendent of Education

RE: Penny Trust Fund for Disease Prevention

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Penny Trust Fund for Disease Prevention funds have been allocated to the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) and will be distributed to local education agencies (LEAs) for programs related to disease prevention and protection for students.

All LEAs will receive a per-pupil allocation based on the Average Daily Membership (ADM) for each LEA for the FY 2015 year.

Attached is the proposed use of these Penny Trust Fund Disease Prevention funds. Categories include high-risk public school diseases with prevention strategies to reduce the potential of acquiring and spreading diseases.

If you have questions, please contact Ms. Jennifer Ventress, Nurse Administrator, at 334-242-8165 or e-mail at jventress@alsde.edu.

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Attachment

cc: Lead Nurses
    Health Care Supervisor
    Chief School Financial Officers
    Ms. Jennifer Ventress

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## PENNY TRUST FUND: DISEASE PREVENTION

### HIGH RISK PUBLIC SCHOOL DISEASE CATEGORIES

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<td>• Influenza viruses&lt;br&gt;• Common cold&lt;br&gt;• Methicillin Resistant&lt;br&gt;• Staphylococcus Aureus&lt;br&gt;• Fungal infections – Tinea (Ringworm)&lt;br&gt;• Measles Outbreak Prevention</td>
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<td><strong>2. Heart Diseases</strong></td>
<td>• Dental care&lt;br&gt;• Obesity – Healthy eating, physical activity, weight control&lt;br&gt;• General physicals&lt;br&gt;• Sports physicals</td>
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| 3. Respiratory Diseases | • Mask  
• Educational materials – Books, displays, signage, videos  
• Implement, plan, and monitor preventive services  
• Routine childhood immunizations |
| 4. Diabetes      | • Educational materials – Books, displays, signage, and videos  
• Height Weight/BMI Evaluation  
• Counseling and health information  
• Coordination with school-based Health Center/Primary Care Providers |
| 5. Vision        | • Educational materials – Books, displays, signage, and videos  
• Vision screenings and referrals |