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Proposed Application for Federal Special Education Funds

Montgomery, AL - In accordance with the detailed procedures prescribed by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education, notice is hereby given that Alabama’s proposed state application under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for Part B and Preschool funds for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020/Alabama Fiscal Year (AFY) 2021, school year (SY) 2020-2021 is available for review for 60 days (March 13, 2020-May 13, 2020). The application may be reviewed on the Department’s website, www.alsde.edu. Once on the website, select Department Offices/Office of Student Learning/Special Education Services/Fiscal Information/Part B Application.

Written public comments on the Alabama Part B Application for FFY 2020 will be accepted by the Special Education Services Section for 30 calendar days, as required by federal law (March 16 through April 15, 2020). The deadline for written comments from the public is April 15, 2020. Written public comments will be accepted by email with the subject line AL Part B Application FFY 2020 Public Comment to speced@alsde.edu or may be submitted by mail to:

Alabama State Department of Education
Special Education Services Section
Attention: FFY2020 Part B Public Comment
Gordon Persons Building
P. O. Box 302101
Montgomery, AL 36130-2101

Once the application is approved by the U.S. Department of Education, the Alabama State Department of Education will award project grants and flow-through funds to education agencies for the education of identified children and youth with disabilities ages 3 to 21. Funds released to education agencies may be utilized in a variety of ways in order to provide appropriate services to students with disabilities. These services include, but are not limited to, salaries and benefits for services provided, materials and instructional supplies, transportation costs, and related services for individuals with disabilities.

If you have questions, please contact Ms. Crystal Richardson at (334) 694-4782.

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