TO: Superintendents of Schools
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Commissioner of Education
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SUBJECT: Budget Rescissions

Among the grants impacted by rescissions recently announced by Governor Rowland are several categorical reimbursement grants that affect nearly all districts. These include Public and Nonpublic School Transportation, Special Education for High-Cost Student Placements, and Nonpublic Health Services.

For the latest information on the estimated impact of these rescissions on your districts’ grants, you should access the following application on the Department’s website:

www.state.ct.us/sde/dgm/report1/budget/pickgrant.htm

In addition to these programs with broad impact, there are other reduced grants received by smaller numbers of towns, regional districts or Regional Educational Service Centers. In order to get information to all impacted districts in a timely and comprehensive way, we have also included these grants on the website. From the listing of grants on the link, select each one you receive to see the original grant and the post-rescission amount. Below is the complete list of grants affected by rescissions:

- Public Transportation
- Nonpublic Transportation
- Excess Cost – Student Based
- Health and Welfare Services-Private Schools
- Priority School Districts
- Early Childhood Program
- RESC Leases
- Regional Education Services
- Head Start Services
- Head Start Enhancement
- Family Resource Centers
- Vocational Agriculture
- Bilingual Education
- Young Parents Program
- School Breakfast Program
- Youth Service Bureaus
- Early Reading Success
- School to Work Opportunities
- CT Pre-Engineering Program
- Adult Education Action

As necessary, you will receive specific documentation (revised grant award letters, budgets, program reduction guidance) from the responsible program office within the Department.

Where you determine that local or other funds are not available to make up for these reductions, you need to begin immediately to assess and modify program operations accordingly.

Program specific questions may be referred to the responsible Department of Education program manager. General questions may be referred to Bob Brewer at robert.brewer@po.state.ct.us or 860-713-6464.

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