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## SCHOOL ALLOCATION MEMORANDUM NO. 15, FY10

**DATE:** November 18, 2009

**TO:** **COMMUNITY SUPERINTENDENTS, INTEGRATED SERVICE CENTERS  
AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS**

**FROM:** Ling Tan, Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** **IEP Paraprofessional Allocation**

Students with disabilities who qualify for Special Education services are required to have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP). This plan ensures that the student receives appropriate services to satisfy their needs and education requirements. Schools with special education students with IEPs that mandate Paraprofessional Services will receive a targeted IEP Paraprofessional allocation. The IEP Paraprofessional allocation has been refreshed on October 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009 based on recommendations occurring through September 23. The table below indicates the allocated 100% of all program funds. As per *SAM 08: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)*, IDEA ARRA funds for IEP Paras have been allocated subsequent to the preliminary budgets.

[http://schools.nyc.gov/offices/d\\_chanc\\_oper/budget/dbor/allocationmemo/fy09\\_10/FY10\\_PDF/sam08.pdf](http://schools.nyc.gov/offices/d_chanc_oper/budget/dbor/allocationmemo/fy09_10/FY10_PDF/sam08.pdf)

The paraprofessional allocation complies with the following guidelines:

- If a new student requiring an IEP Paraprofessional enrolls in the school from outside the NYC Public Schools, the school should apply for funding from their Integrated Service Center (ISC).
- Schools that receive new students who are referred shortly after entering will be responsible for the cost for the remainder of the year. The school will receive funding for this student in the following school year.
- When an existing student in the school is newly referred for an IEP Para, schools are responsible for funding the paraprofessional from their own Fair Student Funding allocations.
- When a child with an IEP Paraprofessional funded with the *TL or IDEA IEP Paraprofessional Allocation* transfers, the funds will be transferred with the child.
- When a child with an IEP Paraprofessional funded with a school's own TL Fair Student Funding allocations transfers, the funds DO NOT travel with the student.

Tax levy and IDEA resources are being used to fund IEP-mandated paraprofessional services. A portion of the TL funds is offset by IDEA stimulus package funds provided this year. It is not necessary for individual paraprofessionals to be split funded proportionally to the overall IDEA / Tax Levy allocation. Individuals may be funded exclusively with IDEA, tax levy funding, or with any combination.

The amounts shown below should be scheduled in the respective allocation categories: "IDEA ARRA Related Service IEP Para", "IDEA IEP PARA", and "TL IEP PARA".

<b>IEP Para Allocations FY10</b>	
<b>Allocation Category</b>	<b>Amount</b>
IDEA ARRA Related Service IEP Para	37,322,249.00
IDEA IEP PARA	121,028,646.00
TL IEP PARA	144,043,940.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>302,394,835</b>

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