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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Lincoln Parish School Board Members

**FROM:** *GM* George Murphy, Business Manager  
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**DATE:** January 11, 2011

**SUBJECT:** Education Jobs Fund Program

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### Background

The State of Louisiana has been awarded \$147 million under the federal Education Jobs Fund. This was announced back in September 2010. Of that amount, the Lincoln Parish School Board initially had been awarded \$1,304,581. Yesterday, we were notified that the State of Louisiana will not issue allocations to individual districts (There will be no new money as a result). The state plans to use the funds for other purposes. As a result, the Lincoln Parish School Board is now looking at an initial beginning budget deficit of \$1,697,626 and a transfer of \$2,710,000 to fund the Ruston High Fieldhouse and to provide equitable funds for the Dubach and Simsboro Districts. Previously, the Choudrant District was provided with \$605,834 for a fully functional cafeteria at Choudrant Elementary and for athletic facility improvements at Choudrant High. This will result in a current year deficit of \$4,407,626.

### Recommendation

This report is for informational purposes only.

### Contact Person

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