Minnesota Department of Education

May 15, 2012

Ms. Allyson Kuehn, Director of Special Education
Meeker and Wright Special Education Cooperative (0938-52)
P.O. Box 460
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Dear Ms. Kuehn:

The Division of School Finance has received your request of February 14, 2012 for the tuition billing system to include unreimbursed general education costs for FY 2011 for the Cornerstone (Site 011), Village Ranch Alternative (Site 016), Journeys Program (Site 017), Trek Level IV Program (Site 010) and the Wings Program (Site 015) provided by the Meeker and Wright Special Education Cooperative based on the February 14, 2012 tuition calculation. These programs are defined in Minnesota Statute 125A.515. In accordance with Minnesota Statute § 125A.11, Subdivision 1, the request for additional revenue to cover the unreimbursed education cost is approved.

The data used to calculate the extra general education costs for Cornerstone were:

0938-52	**Meeker & Wright Cooperative**	**FY 2011**
	Cornerstone (Site 011)	
Line No.	**Description**	**Cost/Calculations**
1	Total Out-of-State Tuition	$ .00
2	Total Non-IEP Invoices - Revenue	$ .00
3	MDE Tuition Revenue (as of 2/12)	$ 664,675.40
4	Wards of the State	$ -
5	Special Education Aid	$ -
6	Compensatory Revenue	$ 27,539.88
7	Other Revenue	$ 18,896.69
1 thru 7 = 8	Total Revenue	$ 711,111.97
9	Total Expenditures	$ 761,356.07
9 - 8 = 10	Unreimbursed Costs	$ 50,244.10
11	Number of hours in a school day	6
12	Number of instructional days in a year	171
11 x 12 = 13	Number of membership hours per ADM	1026
14	Number of Special Education ADM	26.23
13 x 14 = 15	Total special education membership hours	26,911.98
10 / 15 = 16	Unreimbursed costs per membership hour	$ 1.87

The data used to calculate the extra general education costs for Village Ranch Alternative were:

0938-52	Meeker & Wright Cooperative	FY 2011
	Village Ranch Alternative (Site 016)	
Line No.	**Description**	**Cost/Calculations**
1	Total Out-of-State Tuition	$ 5,150.25
2	Total Non-IEP Invoices - Revenue	$ 95,700.40
3	MDE Tuition Revenue (as of 02/12)	319,813.45
4	Wards of the State	$ -
5	Special Education Aid	$ -
6	Compensatory Revenue	$ 132,155.60
7	Other Revenue (Title I Delinquent & Other)	$ 97,243.07
1 thru 7 = 8	Total Revenue	$ 650,062.77
9	Total Expenditures	$ 696,829.07
9 - 8 = 10	Unreimbursed Costs	$ 46,766.30
11	Number of hours in a school day	6
12	Number of instructional days in a year	171
11 x 12 = 13	Number of membership hours per ADM	1026
14	Number of Special Education ADM	32.98
13 x 14 = 15	Total special education membership hours	33,837.48
10 / 15 = 16	Unreimbursed costs per membership hour	$ 1.38

The data used to calculate the extra general education costs for Wings Alternative were:

0938-52	Meeker & Wright Cooperative	FY 2011
	Wings Alternative (Site 015)	
Line No.	**Description**	**Cost/Calculations**
1	Total Out-of-State Tuition	$ 1,066.80
2	Total Non-IEP Invoices - Revenue	$ 40,312.27
3	MDE Tuition Revenue (as of 02/12)	$ 30,050.30
4	Wards of the State	$ -
5	Special Education Aid	$ -
6	Compensatory Revenue	$ 24,193.78
7	Other Revenue	$ -
1 thru 7 = 8	Total Revenue	$ 95,623.15
9	Total Expenditures	$ 100,508.75
9 - 8 = 10	Unreimbursed Costs	$ 4,885.60
11	Number of hours in a school day	6
12	Number of instructional days in a year	173
11 x 12 = 13	Number of membership hours per ADM	1038
14	Number of Special Education ADM	3.60
13 x 14 = 15	Total special education membership hours	3,736.80
10 / 15 = 16	Unreimbursed costs per membership hour	$ 1.31

The data used to calculate the extra general education costs for Journeys were:

0938-52	Meeker & Wright Cooperative	FY 2011
	Journeys (Site 017)	
Line No.	**Description**	**Cost/Calculations**
1	Total Out-of-State Tuition	$ -
2	Total Non-IEP Invoices - Revenue	$ .00
3	MDE Tuition Revenue (as of 02/12)	$ 195,468.53
4	Wards of the State	$ -
5	Special Education Aid	$ -
6	Compensatory Revenue	$ 9,211.34
7	Other Revenue	$ -
1 thru 7 = 8	Total Revenue	$ 204,679.87
9	Total Expenditures	$ 224,007.48
9 - 8 = 10	Unreimbursed Costs	$ 19,327.61
11	Number of hours in a school day	6
12	Number of instructional days in a year	172
11 x 12 = 13	Number of membership hours per ADM	1032
14	Number of Special Education ADM	9.59
13 x 14 = 15	Total special education membership hours	9.896.88
10 / 15 = 16	Unreimbursed costs per membership hour	$ 1.95

The data used to calculate the extra general education costs for Trek were:

0938-52	Meeker & Wright Cooperative	FY 2011
	Trek Level IV Program (Site 010)	
Line No.	**Description**	**Cost/Calculations**
1	Total Out-of-State Tuition	$ -
2	Total Non-IEP Invoices - Revenue	$ .00
3	MDE Tuition Revenue (as of 02/12)	$ 165,324.78
4	Wards of the State	$ -
5	Special Education Aid	$ -
6	Compensatory Revenue	$
7	Other Revenue	$ -
1 thru 7 = 8	Total Revenue	$ 165,324.78
9	Total Expenditures	$ 174,390.48
9 - 8 = 10	Unreimbursed Costs	$ 9,065.70
11	Number of hours in a school day	6
12	Number of instructional days in a year	171
11 x 12 = 13	Number of membership hours per ADM	1026
14	Number of Special Education ADM	3.52
13 x 14 = 15	Total special education membership hours	3,611.52
10 / 15 = 16	Unreimbursed costs per membership hour	$ 2.51

If you should have any questions, please direct them to Michelle Jones at 651-582-8577 or email to michelle.jones@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL LETTER SIGNED MAY 15, 2012

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