



**Glenda Ritz, NBCT** Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: State Board of Education

From: Dr. Michele Walker, Director Office of Student Assessment

Subject: Formative Assessment Test Grant Formula

**Date:** August 10, 2016

For the 2016-17 school year, the Indiana Department of Education proposes a Formative Assessment Test Grant funding formula as described below.

## Proposed funding formula for Grades K-10:

Maximum per-student amount = \$12 million divided by the statewide total number of students participating in the grant program in grades K-10

To improve the timeline for distribution of dollars this year and to align with processes for other grants, 2015-16 pupil enrollment counts will be used for calculation purposes and will be prepopulated into the Formative Assessment Test Grant application form. The table below includes K-10 enrollment counts for 2015-16.

Enrollment Counts for 2015-16	
Grade	Count
K	83,572
1	85,366
2	86,568
3	87,654
4	84,630
5	83,778
6	85,367
7	83,614
8	85,222
9	90,434
10	86,376
Total	942,581

If all students participate in the Formative Assessment Test Grant program in 2016-17, the estimated allocation is \$12.73 per student for both English/Language Arts and Mathematics combined. This per-pupil amount may be used for planning purposes by local schools.

Participating schools will receive the maximum per student amount for students who participate in both English/Language Arts and Mathematics. If a student participates in only one content area, the school will receive the maximum per student per test amount for that content area only.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposed funding formula.