



Public Schools of North Carolina
State Board of Education
Department of Public Instruction

Report to the North Carolina General Assembly

Advanced Placement/International
Baccalaureate/Cambridge International
Education Teacher Bonus Program

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8.8(d)*

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Report Requirements

Summary of the Legislation

In accordance with Session Law 2017-57 (SB 257), sec. 8.8 (d), the Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate/Cambridge AICE Teacher Bonus Program provides funding to reward teachers of students who achieve successful results on advanced course examinations. The state recognizes Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and Cambridge International Certification of Education (AICE) courses as advanced courses. Each Local Education Agency (LEA) and public charter school is entitled to funding based on the exam results of their students. The bonus would have been based on exams taken in the 2019-2020 school year, specified as \$50 per exam at a grade of 3 or above on AP, 4 or above on IB, and "C" or higher on AICE examinations, with a maximum of \$3,500 per teacher, per year. To be eligible, the teacher must be teaching in the same LEA or public school at least from the school year the data are collected until January 1 of the year that the bonus is paid.

Reporting Requirement

The State Board of Education is reporting on advanced course teacher performance and on the amount allotted for advanced course teachers in each LEA and public school in North Carolina.

Distribution of Funds

Based on NCGA legislation, Session Law 2020-45, SB 818, the teacher performance bonus pay was repurposed for 2020-2021. The \$37.8 million was to be used for the \$350 bonus for all teachers, instead of the AP/IB/AICE and CTE performance bonus pay. There were no AP/IB/AICE and CTE credential bonuses for the 2019-20 academic year paid in January 2021. SESSION LAW 2020-45, SB 818 (see Part 2)

Final Allocation Amounts for 2019-2020 school year

NCDPI did not allocate funds for LEAs and teacher bonuses for the 2019-2020 school year, per SESSION LAW 2020-45, SB 818.

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