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To: District Superintendents, Superintendents and Executive Directors of Approved Programs Serving Students with Disabilities, County Officials, VESID Special Education Policy and Quality Assurance Offices

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Subject: Tuition Rate Setting Methodology Addendum for 2007-08 Tuition Rates for Students with Disabilities – Regional Weighted Average Per Diem Rates, Regional SEIT Rates and Regional 1:1 Aide Rates

Date: October 25, 2007

This memorandum communicates the 2007-08 tuition rate setting methodology to service providers operating programs under Articles 81 and 89 of the Education Law and other interested parties. This Addendum reprints sections of the September 12, 2007 Memorandum that are being amended.

Section II. Specific Provisions to the Rate Setting Methodology

A. Special Class Programs

The general rate setting methodology detailed in Section I applies to special class programs with the following additional provisions:

1. Special class programs that operated initially in 2005-06 will be subject to the provisions of Section 200.9 (f)(2)(viii). This section of the Regulations states that if a new program's student enrollment is not equal to or greater than the minimum number required in Section 200.7 (c)(3), then that program shall continue to receive a rate based on the regional weighted average per diem tuition rate previously approved for that program. Upon reconciliation, for programs failing to meet the minimum number of students, the program's per diem rate will be limited to the lower of the per diem based on the school's actual costs or the regional weighted average per diem rate initially established.
2. Special class programs that are seeking initial approval in 2007-08 will receive tuition rates based on the 2007-08 regional weighted average per diem tuition rate. Such new programs must have received a waiver from the Department regarding the statutory moratorium on new or expanded programs. Separate regional weighted average per diem tuition rates shall be used for school age and preschool programs. A list of the 2007-08 regional weighted average per diem tuition rates can be found on Addendum Attachment I.

3. Special class programs that operated initially in 2006-07 will have the tuition rate for 2007-08 established at the 2006-07 level with no inflation or growth applied.

C. Special Education Itinerant Teacher (SEIT) Service Programs

For programs providing SEIT services to preschool students with disabilities as defined in Section 200.16 (h)(3)(ii) of the Regulations, the 2007-08 tuition rates are established using the general rate setting methodology detailed in Section I, with the following additional provisions:

1. Rates for SEIT programs are established as half-hour rates and billing by providers to municipalities must be done in half-hour units of time.
2. SEIT programs that operated in 2005-06, the 2007-08 half-hour rates are calculated by dividing the 2005-06 reimbursable expenditures by the greater of the actual billable units in 2005-06 as reported to RSU or 66 percent of the SEIT teacher's total employment hours multiplied by two. These 2007-08 SEIT rates will be subject to reconciliation.
3. SEIT programs that operated initially in 2006-07 will have the tuition rate for 2007-08 established at the 2007-08 rates listed on Addendum Attachment II . These 2007-08 SEIT rates will be subject to reconciliation.
4. SEIT programs seeking initial approval in 2007-08 will have their 2007-08 rate established at the SEIT rates listed on Addendum Attachment II . These 2007-08 SEIT rates will be subject to reconciliation.

D. 1:1 Aide Add-On Rates

The 2007-08 regional weighted average 1:1 aide add-on rates are listed on Addendum Attachment III. These rates will be added to the approved tuition rate(s) of the program in which the student is enrolled. The 2007-08 1:1 aide add-on rates are not subject to reconciliation.

Inquiries regarding 2007-08 tuition rates should be directed to the RSU staff accountant who processed the school's 2005-06 financial reports. RSU staff telephone numbers and e-mail addresses are listed on Attachment III. The general office information is listed below:

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Enclosures:

- Addendum Attachment I: 2007-08 Regional Weighted Average Per Diem Rates
- Addendum Attachment II: 2007-08 Regional SEIT Rates
- Addendum Attachment III: 2007-08 Regional 1:1 Aide Rates

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Attachment IV
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1:1 Aides

2007-2008 Regional Weighted Average Per Diem Tuition Rates

<u>County</u>	<u>1:1 Aides 2006-2007 SA and PS</u>	<u>1:1 Aides 2007-2008 SA and PS</u>
1 ALBANY	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
2 ALLEGANY	\$ 83.50	\$ 79.00
3 BROOME	\$ 71.36	\$ 79.00
4 CATTARAUGUS	\$ 83.50	\$ 79.00
5 CAYUGA	\$ 112.90	\$ 91.07
6 CHAUTAUQUA	\$ 83.50	\$ 79.00
7 CHEMUNG	\$ 77.38	\$ 79.00
8 CHENANGO	\$ 71.36	\$ 79.00
9 CLINTON	\$ 84.84	\$ 79.00
10 COLUMBIA	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
11 CORTLAND	\$ 112.90	\$ 91.07
12 DELAWARE	\$ 71.36	\$ 79.00
13 DUTCHESS	\$ 97.02	\$ 97.91
14 ERIE	\$ 88.14	\$ 87.54
15 ESSEX	\$ 84.84	\$ 79.00
16 FRANKLIN	\$ 91.10	\$ 79.00
17 FULTON	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
18 GENESEE	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48
19 GREENE	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
20 HAMILTON	\$ 84.84	\$ 79.00
21 HERKIMER	\$ 85.69	\$ 79.00
22 JEFFERSON	\$ 91.10	\$ 79.00
23 LEWIS	\$ 91.10	\$ 79.00
24 LIVINGSTON	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48
25 MADISON	\$ 112.90	\$ 91.07
26 MONROE	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48
27 MONTGOMERY	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
28 NASSAU	\$ 86.70	\$ 84.59
30 NEW YORK CITY	\$ 109.28	\$ 124.02

<u>County</u>	<u>1:1 Aides 2006-2007 SA and PS</u>	<u>1:1 Aides 2007-2008 SA and PS</u>
40 NIAGARA	\$ 88.14	\$ 87.54
41 ONEIDA	\$ 85.69	\$ 79.00
42 ONONDAGA	\$ 112.90	\$ 91.07
43 ONTARIO	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48
44 ORANGE	\$ 97.02	\$ 97.91
45 ORLEANS	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48
46 OSWEGO	\$ 112.90	\$ 91.07
47 OTSEGO	\$ 71.36	\$ 79.00
48 PUTNAM	\$ 97.02	\$ 97.91
49 RENSSELAER	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
50 ROCKLAND	\$ 97.02	\$ 97.91
51 ST. LAWRENCE	\$ 91.10	\$ 79.00
52 SARATOGA	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
53 SCHENECTADY	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
54 SCHOHARIE	\$ 82.32	\$ 82.78
55 SCHUYLER	\$ 77.38	\$ 79.00
56 SENECA	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48
57 STEUBEN	\$ 77.38	\$ 79.00
58 SUFFOLK	\$ 86.70	\$ 84.59
59 SULLIVAN	\$ 97.02	\$ 97.91
60 TIOGA	\$ 71.36	\$ 79.00
61 TOMPKINS	\$ 71.36	\$ 79.00
62 ULSTER	\$ 97.02	\$ 97.91
63 WARREN	\$ 84.84	\$ 79.00
64 WASHINGTON	\$ 84.84	\$ 79.00
65 WAYNE	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48
66 WESTCHESTER	\$ 97.02	\$ 97.91
67 WYOMING	\$ 88.14	\$ 87.54
68 YATES	\$ 86.48	\$ 90.48

The above are in effect from 07/01/07 through 06/30/08.

Addendum Attachment I
2007-08 Regional Weighted Average Per Diem Tuition Rates

	County	BEDS	Preschool Centerbased 2.5 Hrs/Day RWAPD	Preschool Centerbased >2.5 Hrs/Day RWAPD	School Age Two Month RWAPD	School Age Twelve Month RWAPD
1	ALBANY	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
2	ALLEGANY	11	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
3	BROOME	09	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
4	CATTARAUGUS	11	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
5	CAYUGA	08	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
6	CHAUTAUQUA	11	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
7	CHEMUNG	10	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
8	CHENANGO	09	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
9	CLINTON	05	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
10	COLUMBIA	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
11	CORTLAND	08	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
12	DELAWARE	09	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
13	DUTCHESS	03	\$170.94	\$189.24	\$124.91	\$189.59
14	ERIE	13	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$155.39
15	ESSEX	05	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
16	FRANKLIN	06	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
17	FULTON	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
18	GENESEE	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$128.38	\$147.08
19	GREENE	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
20	HAMILTON	05	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
21	HERKIMER	07	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
22	JEFFERSON	06	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
23	LEWIS	06	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
24	LIVINGSTON	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$128.38	\$147.08
25	MADISON	08	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
26	MONROE	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$128.38	\$147.08
27	MONTGOMERY	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
28	NASSAU	02	\$217.25	\$204.71	\$109.47	\$199.05
30	NEW YORK CITY	01	\$193.68	\$176.00	\$147.33	\$173.18
40	NIAGARA	13	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$155.39
41	ONEIDA	07	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
42	ONONDAGA	08	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
43	ONTARIO	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$128.38	\$147.08
44	ORANGE	03	\$170.94	\$189.24	\$124.91	\$147.08

45	ORLEANS	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
46	OSWEGO	08	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
47	OTSEGO	09	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
48	PUTNAM	03	\$170.94	\$189.24	\$124.91	\$189.59
49	RENSSELAER	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
50	ROCKLAND	03	\$170.94	\$189.24	\$124.91	\$189.59
51	ST. LAWRENCE	06	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
52	SARATOGA	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
53	SCHENECTADY	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
54	SCHOHARIE	04	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$107.15	\$147.08
55	SCHUYLER	10	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
56	SENECA	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$128.38	\$147.08
57	STEUBEN	10	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
58	SUFFOLK	02	\$217.25	\$204.71	\$109.47	\$199.05
59	SULLIVAN	03	\$170.94	\$189.24	\$124.91	\$189.59
60	TIOGA	09	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
61	TOMPKINS	09	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
62	ULSTER	03	\$170.94	\$189.24	\$124.91	\$189.59
63	WARREN	05	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
64	WASHINGTON	05	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
65	WAYNE	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$147.08
66	WESTCHESTER	03	\$170.94	\$189.24	\$124.91	\$189.59
67	WYOMING	13	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$104.44	\$155.39
68	YATES	12	\$151.14	\$146.75	\$128.38	\$147.08

Addendum Attachment II
2007-08 Regional Weighted Average SEIT Tuition Rates

	County	BEDS	SEIT Regional Rates		County	BEDS	SEIT Regional Rates
1	ALBANY	04	\$37	40	NIAGARA	13	\$33
2	ALLEGANY	11	\$33	41	ONEIDA	07	\$33
3	BROOME	09	\$33	42	ONONDAGA	08	\$33
4	CATTARAUGUS	11	\$33	43	ONTARIO	12	\$40
5	CAYUGA	08	\$33	44	ORANGE	03	\$49
6	CHAUTAUQUA	11	\$33	45	ORLEANS	12	\$40
7	CHEMUNG	10	\$33	46	OSWEGO	08	\$33
8	CHENANGO	09	\$33	47	OTSEGO	09	\$33
9	CLINTON	05	\$33	48	PUTNAM	03	\$49
10	COLUMBIA	04	\$33	49	RENSSELAER	04	\$37
11	CORTLAND	08	\$33	50	ROCKLAND	03	\$49
12	DELAWARE	09	\$33	51	ST. LAWRENCE	06	\$33
13	DUTCHESS	03	\$49	52	SARATOGA	04	\$37
14	ERIE	13	\$33	53	SCHENECTADY	04	\$37
15	ESSEX	05	\$33	54	SCHOHARIE	04	\$37
16	FRANKLIN	06	\$33	55	SCHUYLER	10	\$33
17	FULTON	04	\$37	56	SENECA	12	\$40
18	GENESEE	12	\$40	57	STEUBEN	10	\$33
19	GREENE	04	\$37	58	SUFFOLK	02	\$49
20	HAMILTON	05	\$33	59	SULLIVAN	03	\$49
21	HERKIMER	07	\$33	60	TIOGA	09	\$33
22	JEFFERSON	06	\$33	61	TOMPKINS	09	\$33
23	LEWIS	06	\$33	62	ULSTER	03	\$49
24	LIVINGSTON	12	\$40	63	WARREN	05	\$33
25	MADISON	08	\$33	64	WASHINGTON	05	\$33
26	MONROE	12	\$40	65	WAYNE	12	\$40
27	MONTGOMERY	04	\$37	66	WESTCHESTER	03	\$49
28	NASSAU	02	\$49	67	WYOMING	13	\$33
30	NEW YORK CITY	01	\$49	68	YATES	12	\$40