

ALLOCATION DESCRIPTION

New

This funding, which is in addition to Base Instruction funding, is provided to address the differential costs associated with providing educational services and operating **schools** in geographically widespread areas. This is an allocation method only; **school jurisdictions** have maximum flexibility to use these funds in whatever manner best meets their local needs.

ALLOCATION FORMULA

Intra-Jurisdiction Distance funding is determined using either a) or b) below:

- a) For **schools** in urban centres: intra-jurisdiction distance funding is the sum of the results of the following distance calculation for each **school**:

$$\text{Intra-Jurisdiction Distance Allocation} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Distance from each} \\ \text{school to the central} \\ \text{administration office of} \\ \text{the school} \\ \text{jurisdiction} \end{array} - 15 \text{ kms} \right\} \times \text{Eligible FTE funded enrollment}^* \times \text{Distance Rate}$$

OR,

- b) For **schools** not in an urban centre: Intra-jurisdiction distance funding is the sum of the results of the following distance calculation for each school:

$$\text{Intra-Jurisdiction Distance Allocation} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Distance from each} \\ \text{school to the central} \\ \text{administration office of} \\ \text{the school} \\ \text{jurisdiction} \end{array} - 25 \text{ kms} \right\} \times \text{Eligible FTE funded enrollment}^* \times \text{Distance Rate}$$

*For the purpose of this section, eligible FTE funded enrollment is the number of **funded children** counted at 0.5 full-time equivalent plus the number of **funded students** in the eligible **school**. An eligible **school** will be funded at a minimum 100 FTE or the actual enrollment whichever is greater.

ALLOCATION CRITERIA

1. For the purpose of this section, urban centre means Calgary, Edmonton, Red Deer, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Fort McMurray, Grande Prairie, and St. Albert.
2. Intra-jurisdiction distance funding is provided to a **school jurisdiction** for the FTE funded enrollment of each qualifying **school** of the jurisdiction.
3. Funding is provided to a **school jurisdiction** in an urban centre for each kilometer of distance greater than 15 kilometers from a **school** located within the city boundary (city limits) by the most direct route to the Central Administration Office of the **school jurisdiction**.

If a **school** of a **school jurisdiction** in an urban centre is located outside the city boundary (city limits) then funding is provided for each kilometer of distance greater than 25 kilometers from the **school** outside the city boundary to the Central Administration Office of the **school jurisdiction**.

4. Funding is provided to a **school jurisdiction** not in an urban centre for each kilometer of distance greater than 25 kilometers of distance from a **school** by the most direct route to the Central Administrative Office of the **school jurisdiction**.
5. Distance is electronically measured over the most direct route by way of a primary highway as shown on the current digitized map of the **school jurisdiction**. If a **school**, or if the Central Administration Office of a **school jurisdiction** is not on a primary highway, then the shortest route on a secondary road including a city street is used.
6. Students enrolled in **Home Education, On-Line**, and **Institutional** programs and Hutterite Colony Schools are not counted for funding under this section.

DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

1. Student registration information for **funded children** and **funded students** as of the **count date** of the current school year that is submitted to the Information Services Branch by October 5.
2. **School jurisdictions** are not required to apply for funding under this section. School Finance will determine the funding allocation for **school jurisdictions**.