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3 By Representative Garrett
4 RFD: Ways and Means Education
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1 SYNOPSIS:

2 To make supplemental appropriations from the
3 Education Trust Fund Advancement and Technology Fund for
4 the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026.

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7 A BILL

8 TO BE ENTITLED

9 AN ACT

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11 To make supplemental appropriations from the Education
12 Trust Fund Advancement and Technology Fund for the fiscal year
13 ending September 30, 2026, to the public institutions of
14 higher education in the amount of \$275,100,000, and to the
15 Department of Education, the Board of Trustees of the Alabama
16 Institute for Deaf and Blind, the Board of Youth Services
17 School Districts, the Board of Directors of the Alabama School
18 of Fine Arts, the Board of Trustees of the Alabama School of
19 Math and Science, the Board of Trustees of the Alabama School
20 of Cyber Technology and Engineering, and the Board of Trustees
21 of the Alabama School of Healthcare Sciences in the amount of
22 \$624,900,000, and to the Department of Education in the amount
23 of \$100,000,000.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

25 Section 1. In addition to all other appropriations
26 heretofore or hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated a
27 total of \$275,100,000 from the Education Trust Fund
28 Advancement and Technology Fund to the public institutions of

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higher education for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026. This appropriation shall be expended as provided in Section 29-9-4, Code of Alabama 1975. This appropriation shall be distributed as follows:

Alabama Community College System	\$102,630,833
Alabama A&M University	6,603,176
Alabama State University	3,618,925
University of Alabama System	63,655,827
Athens State University	3,396,437
Auburn University	30,644,049
Auburn University Montgomery	5,220,244
Jacksonville State University	10,736,161
University of Montevallo	3,363,650
University of North Alabama	10,322,804
University of South Alabama	13,243,822
Troy University	13,357,993
Tuskegee University	990,360
University of West Alabama	7,315,719
Total	\$275,100,000

Section 2. In addition to all other appropriations heretofore or hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated a total of \$624,900,000 from the Education Trust Fund Advancement and Technology Fund to the Department of Education, the Board of Trustees of the Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, the Board of Youth Services School Districts, the Board of Directors of the Alabama School of Fine Arts, the

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Board of Trustees of the Alabama School of Math and Science,
the Board of Trustees of the Alabama School of Cyber
Technology and Engineering, and the Board of Trustees of the
Alabama School of Healthcare Sciences, for the fiscal year
ending September 30, 2026. This appropriation shall be
expended as provided in Section 29-9-4, Code of Alabama 1975.

Section 3. (a) The Department of Education shall
allocate the funds appropriated herein to the local boards of
education and entities as follows:

Alabaster City	5,318,682
Albertville City	4,930,910
Alexander City	2,355,673
Andalusia City	1,511,602
Anniston City	1,453,174
Arab City	2,139,349
Athens City	4,491,139
Attalla City	1,203,578
Auburn City	8,142,998
Autauga County	7,377,033
Baldwin County	26,605,108
Barbour County	525,430
Bessemer City	2,476,373
Bibb County	2,514,520
Birmingham City	16,990,898
Blount County	6,310,164
Boaz City	2,148,281

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82	Brewton City	956,786
83	Bullock County	1,140,186
84	Butler County	2,188,716
85	Calhoun County	6,612,019
86	Chambers County	2,599,359
87	Cherokee County	3,128,327
88	Chickasaw City	2,132,487
89	Chilton County	6,489,982
90	Choctaw County	837,253
91	Clarke County	1,751,965
92	Clay County	1,479,687
93	Cleburne County	2,038,026
94	Coffee County	2,419,972
95	Colbert County	2,091,751
96	Conecuh County	1,061,691
97	Coosa County	637,455
98	Covington County	2,490,613
99	Crenshaw County	1,682,920
100	Cullman City	2,732,486
101	Cullman County	8,254,591
102	Dale County	2,829,321
103	Daleville City	957,520
104	Dallas County	1,877,972
105	Decatur City	7,295,561
106	DeKalb County	7,256,896

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107	Demopolis City	1,580,648
108	Dothan City	6,755,502
109	Elba City	486,981
110	Elmore County	9,634,535
111	Enterprise City	5,557,707
112	Escambia County	3,319,020
113	Etowah County	7,230,961
114	Eufaula City	6,733,624
115	Fairfield City	1,191,452
116	Fayette County	1,851,648
117	Florence City	3,887,732
118	Fort Payne City	2,899,833
119	Franklin County	2,936,297
120	Gadsden City	4,087,401
121	Geneva City	1,033,124
122	Geneva County	2,287,967
123	Greene County	717,633
124	Gulf Shores City	2,272,217
125	Guntersville City	1,489,034
126	Hale County	1,768,104
127	Haleyville City	1,317,415
128	Hartselle City	3,019,496
129	Henry County	2,097,577
130	Homewood City	3,843,802
131	Hoover City	11,498,223

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132	Houston County	5,778,650
133	Huntsville City	19,982,560
134	Jackson County	4,203,353
135	Jacksonville City	1,406,181
136	Jasper City	2,485,565
137	Jefferson County	29,543,131
138	Lamar County	1,780,144
139	Lanett City	797,854
140	Lauderdale County	6,483,811
141	Lawrence County	3,829,691
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143	Lee County	7,479,953
144	Leeds City	1,811,430
145	Limestone County	13,576,683
146	Linden City	314,973
147	Lowndes County	923,990
148	Macon County	1,404,023
149	Madison City	10,926,576
150	Madison County	17,189,056
151	Marengo County	779,342
152	Marion County	2,758,377
153	Marshall County	5,065,548
154	Midfield City	822,408
155	Mobile County	41,135,427
156	Monroe County	2,452,380
157	Montgomery County	21,771,378

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158	Morgan County	6,280,777
159	Mountain Brook City	3,764,013
160	Muscle Shoals City	2,457,170
161	Oneonta City	1,187,137
162	Opelika City	4,508,185
163	Opp City	1,094,487
164	Orange Beach City	1,038,086
165	Oxford City	3,345,602
166	Ozark City	1,562,049
167	Pelham City	2,943,503
168	Pell City	3,405,844
169	Perry County	666,238
170	Phenix City	5,937,409
171	Pickens County	1,882,287
172	Piedmont City	886,447
173	Pike County	1,725,685
174	Pike Road City	2,380,876
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176	Randolph County	1,725,771
177	Roanoke City	1,089,050
178	Russell County	3,153,399
179	Russellville City	2,187,853
180	Saraland City	2,999,559
181	Satsuma City	1,289,452
182	Scottsboro City	2,040,141
183	Selma City	1,887,422

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184	Sheffield City	833,067
185	Shelby County	17,545,542
186	St. Clair County	7,980,441
187	Sumter County	737,915
188	Sylacauga City	1,626,002
189	Talladega City	1,205,563
190	Talladega County	5,853,822
191	Tallapoosa County	2,346,655
192	Tallassee City	1,239,698
193	Tarrant City	1,089,999
194	Thomasville City	829,356
195	Troy City	1,510,913
196	Trussville City	4,282,926
197	Tuscaloosa City	9,069,922
198	Tuscaloosa County	15,854,639
199	Tuscumbia City	1,338,431
200	Vestavia Hills City	5,931,238
201	Walker County	5,742,876
202	Washington County	1,974,418
203	Wilcox County	910,095
204	Winfield City	1,003,392
205	Winston County	1,892,039
206	University Charter School	570,956
207	Cyber Technology and Engineering, Alabama	316,742
208	School of	
209	MAEF Charter School	710,685

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210	LEAD Academy	625,070
211	Legacy Prep	459,276
212	I-3 Academy	684,837
213	Youth Services School District, Department of	138,089
214	Deaf and Blind, Alabama Institute for the	282,910
215	Math and Science, Alabama School of	236,478
216	Fine Arts, Alabama School of	289,685
217	Life Academy	507,176
218	Breakthrough Charter	304,530
219	Magic City Acceptance Academy	294,648
220	Freedom Prep Academy	32,753
221	Floretta P. Carson - Mobile	199,410
222	Ivy Classical Academy - Prattville	521,115
223	Healthcare Sciences, Alabama School of	77,675
224	Empower Community School	352,257
225	AL Aerospace and Aviation	137,701
226	Covenant Academy of Mobile	281,745
227	Teacher Professional Development	2,000,000
228	Totals	624,900,000

229 (b) Notwithstanding any other laws to the contrary, the
 230 funds appropriated to the Department of Education by
 231 subsection (a) of this section shall not be expended without
 232 prior approval of the State Superintendent of Education.

233 (c) (1) The above appropriation for teacher professional
 234 development shall be allocated to the Alabama Department of

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Education to be distributed to the Ed Farm Classroom of Tomorrow. These funds will be used by Ed Farm to provide technology tools and professional development services to classroom teachers in an effort to improve instruction and student learning gains. It is the intent of the legislature that in addition to general programmatic costs, Ed Farm may also expend funds for software, hardware, administrative costs, and professional learning services.

(2) The State Superintendent shall provide a report of the initiative to the Chair of the House Ways and Means-Education Committee and the Chair of the Senate Committee on Finance and Taxation-Education no later than October 1, 2027.

Section 4. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 29-9-4, Code of Alabama 1975, and in addition to all other appropriations heretofore or hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated a total of \$100,000,000 from the Education Trust Fund Advancement and Technology Fund to the Department of Education to provide matching grants to local education agencies for expenses related to developing regional career technology centers throughout the state, including capital outlay and equipment, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026. Grant proposals shall be submitted by a collaboration of at least two local education agencies. The State Superintendent of Education shall utilize a sliding scale of

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259 matching requirements for grant proposals, taking into
260 consideration the financial capacity of the eligible local
261 education agencies to provide matching funds, so long as the
262 required match does not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of
263 the project.

264 (b) The State Superintendent of Education shall notify
265 each local superintendent and finance officer of each local
266 education agency by email regarding the availability and
267 application process of grants to be awarded pursuant to this
268 section, including any required forms. The State
269 Superintendent shall notify all members of the local
270 legislative delegation five days prior to the announcement of
271 any grant made to any entity located in the legislative
272 jurisdiction. The five days prior notice requirement shall be
273 waived in the event of a declared emergency. The Governor
274 shall encourage the Department to disburse the funds provided
275 herein on a nondiscriminatory basis.

276 Section 5. All funds appropriated herein and not
277 expended in the current fiscal year shall not revert but be
278 carried forward for the purpose appropriated.

279 Section 6. This act shall become effective immediately
280 following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its
281 otherwise becoming law.