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**OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE**  
**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** GOVERNOR  
**FROM:** BOYD  
**SUBJECT:** COMPUTERS IN THE CLASSROOM  
**DATE:** JULY 31, 2001  
**CC:** RENICK

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Phase 1 of the Computers in the Classroom Project is drawing to an end. We have designated August 31 as the deadline for Phase 1 fundraising. Working conference calls are continuing as work toward raising private financial support. As we approach the end of the month, it will be necessary for you to participate in these calls to "fire up the troops."

On September 25<sup>th</sup>, you will host an awards reception at the mansion for the conclusion of this project. I anticipate mailing invitations by the second week of September. There will be participation awards, single largest gift (Costa, Pittman and Barksdale), and other recognition awards. I suggest that you make this open to the press.

Stacie and I are working on the arrangements for the reception.

With the approaching deadline of school starting, you need to talk with the Speaker and the Lt. Governor or Dr. Thompson about using state funds for the purchase this year's allocation. The state department is holding the entire amount of money needed for the remaining computers.

Many banks are also discussing donating computers for the final phase of implementation. We are looking at 1200-2000 computers being donated by the major state banks. This is good.