# Counting Children: 

## Third Friday Count;

## Summer/Interim Membership

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## Pl-1563 Pupil Count and Pl-1804 Summer Membership-Things to Know

- When are students counted?
- Residency - which students are residents?
- COVID-19 Regulatory Flexibility Framework
- Membership - which residents may be counted?
- How are residents counted?
- Early Learners, Kindergarten, Summer Membership
- Part-time attendance - how are resident and nonresident students counted?
- How is this data reported to DPI?

Accurate Pupil Counts provide opportunities to maximize the resources available to support the education of children in your district.


Your role in completing the $\mathrm{PI}-1563$ is important in the lives of children.

## Pupil Count - Words to Know

Full time
Minutes
Resident
Head Count
Challenge Academy


Age Requirements
Receiving Instruction

Pre-School-Special Education
Summer ADM Equivalent
Part-time Pupil
4 year old Kindergarten
Open Enrollment Student
Revenue Limit Membership
Attendance Count Date Present Non-Resident
Full Time Equivalency (FTE) 5 year old Kindergarten General Aid Membership

| Enrollment Thayer | Membership | Open Enrollment Student |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3-year Programs | Hours | Revenue Limit Membership | Special Education

## Pupil Count Dates for determining Membership Reporting Purposes (PI-1563)

$\square$ 3rd Friday in September (PI-1563)
$\square$ Used to determine Revenue Limit, Per Pupil Aid and State Equalization Aid
$\square$ 2nd Friday in January (PI-1563)
$\square$ Used to determine state equalization aid
$\square$ Summer/Interim Membership FTE (W1804)/(PI-1563)
$\square$ Included when reporting the September Count
$\square$ FTE valued at 100\% for Equalization Aid and 40\% for Revenue Limit
$\square$ Challenge Academy (PI-1563 YCA)

- Completed September and March


## Residency and Membership



Which student FTEs are included in your Revenue Limit and/or Aid Membership?

A key source of guidance is our "Membership Information and Reporting" https://dpi.wi.gov/sfs/children/enrollment/membership-info-reporting webpage.

## Residents Who May Be Included in Membership <br> (Revenue Limit, Equalization Aid, or Both)

- Four (4) Criteria: (For students enrolled in a public school)

1. Resident of an eligible age

- A child that lives in the District
- Between the ages of four by September 1 and twenty when enrolling in the regular education program
- Between the ages of three and twenty prior to the first day of class when receiving special education services

2. Financial Responsibility

- A child whose instruction is either provided or paid for by the District


## Residents Who May Be Included in Membership (Revenue Limit, Equalization Aid, or Both)

- Four (4) Criteria: (For students enrolled in a public school)

3. Attending on the Count Date

- A child that is receiving instruction
- A child, did not receive instruction on count date, did receive instruction the before and after rule

4. Certain limited non-residents

- Part-time pupils - Homebased
- Certain Summer Online Course - Open Enrollment


## Determining Who is a Resident

- Not defined in statute
- Up to the local school district
- Case law - Thayer Ruling
- A minor may have, for school purposes, a residence other than that of his parents if the school district was incidental to the child's reason for living in the district.
- Identify where the child lives (address information)
- It is important to keep accurate and up to date enrollment records and address information for all resident children especially with the level of Open Enrollment activity.
- Identify the district where property taxes are paid (municipal clerk records or county data base)


## Financial Responsibility

- Resident pupils in your seats, taught by your teachers and meeting the age limitations. (Slide \#7)
- Full-time resident pupils in attendance elsewhere, but your district is paying for their education.
- Open Enrollment
- Tuition Agreements
- Cooperative Programs
- CESA programs
- Tuition Waivers (caution: check the details of the situation)


## COVID-19 Regulatory Flexibility Framework Provisions

- Under existing law and DPI guidance, a student may be included in a school district's September headcount for aid and revenue limit membership purposes if:

1. The student is enrolled and in attendance on the third Friday in September.
2. The student is enrolled and in attendance for the school year on any day before the third Friday in September, and any day after that date, with no change in residency or enrollment during that period.

In either case, the student may be counted regardless of the specific setting in which they are receiving instruction.

## COVID-19 Regulatory Flexibility Framework Provisions

If a district implements policies on how teachers will take and record attendance in their student information system (SIS) for in-person, virtual, or blended instruction, then it should conduct its third Friday count process as usual.
Otherwise, the district will need to define its attendance policies for the instructional settings that may be in use this year, and then determine alternative method(s) for documenting attendance used in the third Friday membership count.

Districts selected for membership audits, as required by law, will need to make their attendance policies and documentation used for their headcounts available to auditors, but DPI is not prescribing that policies or documentation must be in any particular format.

# Counting 3 Year-Old Students Attending Programs in Your District 

When a school district provides educational services to resident children who are 3 years old as of September 1st or reach the age of 3 years old during the current school year, if the individual program allows. That child can be counted in the PI-1563 report in one program only, the choices are:

- Preschool-Special Education - Included in count
- Title One Funded Preschool - Not included in count
- School-Operated Head Start - Not included in count
- 3 Year-Old Programs - these non-special education students will not be included in the pupil count and not impact the district's revenue limit calculations and related aid calculations. However, costs in Fund 10 associated with 3-Year-Old Programs will reduce the district's shared cost in the General Equalization aid calculation.


## Counting Non-residents When Completing the PI-

 1563- Completing the PI 1563 is a process, not just a matter of counting residents, it also includes non-resident students attending your schools
- You include non-resident students in seats in your district
- Subtract non-residents in those seats
- Adjust for Part-time students
- The non-resident students will not be in adjusted head count used to calculate the district's membership FTEs.


## September Pupil Count



## School Finance Reporting Portal



Go To
District Home
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Non-Financial Data
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People
PI-1500 Contacts
Contact History

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## Non-Financial Data Home

Non-financial data, such as headcounts or the number of students, are collected in the following categories:


- Pupil Count - September (PI1563)
- Pupil Count - January (PI-1563)
- Challenge Academy - September (PI-1563-CA)
- Challenge Academy - January (PI-1563-CA)
- Pupil Transportation (PI-1547)
- Pupil Transportation Summer (PI-1547-SS)
- School Calendar (PI-1505Calendar) ! !
- School Census (PI-1505Census)

Under "Non-Financial Data Home" you will find a link to the "Pupil Count September" portal.

## Pupil Count (PI-1563) - September

This report collects the pupil count as determined on the third Friday in September. The count is converted to a full-time equivalency and used in the calculation of a district's revenue limit and equalization aid.

This is first page inside the $\mathrm{Pl}-1563$ portal, and it will provide the user with updated general information that needs to be review and considered before this report is completed.

## 5 Steps where data is entered in the Pl-1563 portal

Step 1: Head Count - (Record all Resident and Non-Resident students to whom the district is directly providing educational services)
Step 2: Non-Resident Reductions- (Record students in your seats that are residents of another district)

Step 3: Resident Reductions- (Record resident students who are included in the head count but are not eligible to be counted full-time for state aid purposes)

Step 4: Resident Additions - (Record residents students your district is financially responsible for that attend another school)

Step 5: Part time Home-Schooled (Record Non-Resident HomeSchooled students attending your school)

## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process, Step 1.1 Physically Present and Step 1.2 Absentees (same as shown below)

dentify all Resident and Non-Resident students to whom the district is directly providing educational services. (Non-resident public school students taking 1 or 2 courses under PTOE are included here in Step 1, and then backed out in Step 2.) Excluding:

1: A resident student who is Open Enrolled out on a full - time basis, and returns to take 1 or 2 courses under Wis. Stat. $\$ 118.52$ Part-time Open Enrollment (PTOE) is excluded from Step 1, as that student can only be counted in Step 4.
: Do not count any Non-resident home school pupils taking courses in a school in your district under Wis. Stat. $\$ 118.53$ in Step 1 . Each will be reported in Step 5 . $\qquad$
 $\qquad$
VOTE: These students must have been PHYSICALLY PRESENT on the count date. i $\|$ The SFS team will be continue to collect the counting of



The number of 9 th graders included in Grades $1-12$ :
9th Graders

## PI-1563 Pupil Count Process



Step 2 - Non-Resident Reductions- (Students in your seats that are residents of another district)

## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process -

 Part-time Resident (Step 3 -Reductions)Resident student - less than Full-Time Enrollment attends:

- any grade in a public school in the district under s. 118.53 is eligible for state aid up to a maximum of two courses per pupil per semester.
- high school in the district under s. 118.145(4) is eligible for state aid up to a maximum of two courses per pupil per semester.
- the district less than full-time as defined by s. 118.15(1). Private school students who attend grades other than high school are included in this area.
$\square$ Student attends another district through Open Enrollment, but returns to resident district for up to two classes under s. 118.25 where not to be counted in Step 1 as they will be added in Step 4.
- See https://dpi.wi.gov/sfs/children/enrollment/pi-1563-programdef\#NR\ Reduct


# PI-1563 Pupil Count Process -Part-time Resident (Step 3 -Reductions) 



After this screen, for each grade, a follow up screen will need to be completed, with same basic questions seen for the $9^{\text {th }}$ graders shown to the right.

## FY 2020-2021 Pupil Count - September

Step 3.2.1: Part-Time 9th Graders - Private School - 9th Grade

How many Resident 9th graders are attending part-time from a private school?

How many total hours of instruction during the first semester are scheduled for the 9th graders identified in the question above? This is an aggregate of all minutes converted to hours. Use a maximum of two classes for each student in the calculation.

## When entering Part-Time - Private

 School students, a different screen will be provided for $9^{\text {th }}, 10^{\text {th }}, 11^{\text {th }}$ and $12^{\text {th }}$ grades.The more students in the $1^{\text {st }}$ box, the higher the value needed in the $2^{\text {nd }}$ box.

## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process



Step 3 - Resident Reductions- (Resident students who are included in the head count but are not eligible to be counted full-time for state aid purposes)

## PI-1563 Pupil Count Process

| Category | Open Enrollment |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Youth Apprentice |  |  |  | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Preschool Special Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| 4 YK - 437 Hours |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| 4 YK - 524.5 Hours |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| 5 YK - Half Day |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| 5 YK - 3 Full Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| 5 YK - 4 Full Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| 5 YK - 5 Full Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| 5 YK - Blended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Grades 1-12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Subtotal: | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

9th Graders in Step 4: 0
Step 4 - Resident Additions - (Residents your district is financially responsible for that attend another school)

## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process

## Summary of All Steps

| Category | Step 1: <br> Starting <br> Count | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \frac{\text { Step 2: Less }}{\text { Non-Resident }} \\ \hline \text { Reductions } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Step 3: Less Resident Reductions | Step 4: Plus <br> Resident Additions | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Preschool Special Education | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 YK - 437 Hours | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 YK - 524.5 Hours | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 YK - Half Day | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 YK - 3 Full Days | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 YK - 4 Full Days | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 YK - 5 Full Days | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 YK - Blended | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grades 1-12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals: | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9th Graders: | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Final Summary - Review Data

## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process (Step 5, Non-Resident Additions)

## Part Time Home-Schooled, Non-Resident Pupils

A school district can count, for General Aid (but not Revenue Limit) purposes, a non-resident, home-school pupil (but not a non-resident private-, parochial- or tribal-school pupil) taking courses in the district under $\S 118.53$, in an amount equal to 0.25 FTE per course, up to two courses per semester (i.e., district could count a maximum of 0.50 FTE per non-resident, homeschool pupil). [see §121.004(7)(em)]

Part time Home-Schooled, Non-Resident Pupils are collected in Step 5 of the $\mathrm{PI}-1563$ wizard.

## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process (Step 5. Non-Resident Additions)

## Step 5.1: Non-Resident Additions

Please distribute the pupils enrolled in a home-based private educational program taking either 1 or 2 courses.

|  | 1 Course | 2 <br> Courses |  | $1$ <br> Course | 2 <br> Course |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 year-old kindergarten (437 hours) - Non-Residents (i) |  |  | Grade 1 - Non-Residents |  |  |
| 4 year-old kindergarten ( 524.5 hours) - Non-Residents $i$ |  |  | Grade 2 - Non-Residents |  |  |
| 5 year-old kindergarten ( $1 / 2$ day) - Non-Residents $i$ |  |  | Grade 3 - Non-Residents |  |  |
| 5 year-old kindergarten (3 full days) - Non-Residents $i$ |  |  | Grade 4 - Non-Residents |  |  |
| 5 year-old kindergarten (4 full days) - Non-Residents $i$ |  |  | Grade 5-Non-Residents |  |  |
| 5 year-old kindergarten ( 5 full days) - Non-Residents i |  |  | Grade 6 - Non-Residents |  |  |
| 5 year-old kindergarten (blended) - Non-Residents $i$ |  |  | Grade 7 - Non-Residents |  |  |
|  |  |  | Grade 8 - Non-Residents |  |  |
|  |  |  | Grade 9 - Non-Residents |  |  |
|  |  |  | Grade 10 - Non-Residents |  |  |
|  |  |  | Grade 11 - Non-Residents |  |  |
|  |  |  | Grade 12 - Non-Residents |  |  |

## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process

| Comparison Summary |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category | Adjusted Count Sept: | Last Year Sept | Change from Last Year | Percent Difference |
| Preschool Special Education | 6 | 1 | +5 | 500\% |
| 4 YK - 437 Hours | 0 | 0 |  | N/A |
| 4 YK - 524.5 Hours | 16 | 11 | +5 | 45.45\% |
| 5 YK - Half Day | 0 | 0 |  | N/A |
| 5 YK - 3 Full Days | 0 | 0 |  | N/A |
| 5 YK - 4 Full Days | 0 | 0 |  | N/A |
| 5 YK - 5 Full Days | 16 | 15 | +1 | 6.67\% |
| 5 YK - Blended | 0 | 0 |  | N/A |
| Grades 1-12 | 175 | 182 | -7 | -3.85\% |
| Totals: | 213 | 209 | +4 | 1.91\% |

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## Review Resident Student Count Data

## Review Your Answers

Helpful Links

```
Help
- How to Use this Wizard
- Program Definitions
- Student Categories
- Examples
Review Answers
- Step 1- Headcount
- Step 2 - Non-Resident Reductions
- Step 3 - Resident Reductions
- Step 4-Resident Additions
- Step 5 - Non-Resident Additions
```


## Submit

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- Submit to DPI
- Certification / Signature Page
```


## Summaries

- Summary of Step 1 - Headcount
- Summary of Step 2- Non-Resident Reductions
- Summary of Step 3 - Resident Reductions
- Summary of Step 4-Resident Additions
- Summary of Preschool-Special Education
- Summary of 4 YK (437 Hours).
- Summary of 4 YK ( 524.5 Hours)
- Final Summary.
- Comparison to Prior Data

Auditing

- Audit Trail: All
- Auditor Changes: Summary.
- Auditor Changes: Detail


## Links on this screen help you move around in the PI-1563 to

 review the data (Step 6) and Locating Help Information
## Pl-1563 Pupil Count Process

Ready to Submit to DPI?
There is one remaining step.
If the data has been completely entered and you have reviewed it for correctness and completeness, please click on the 'Submit to DPI' button below. This will signal DPI that they may start reviewing the da You may still return and change the data, but you will need to return here after your changes and indicate again that you are done.

When you click the button, we'll make one last check on the data to ensure its accuracy.

| Pupil Count - September |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Category | September Count |
| Preschool Special Education | 6 |
| 4 YK - 437 Hours | 0 |
| 4 YK - 224.5 Hours | 16 |
| 5 YK - Half Day | 0 |
| 5 YK - 3 Full Days | 0 |
| 5 YK - 4 Full Days | 0 |
| 5 YK - 5 Full Days | 16 |
| 5 YK-Blended | 0 |
| Grades 1-12 | 175 |
|  | 213 |

Step 7 -Submit Completed Report

## Full Time Equivalency (FTE)

- FTE - The result of a computation that divides the amount of time for a less than full - time activity by the amount of time normally required in a corresponding full - time activity.
- Membership - Resident enrollment adjusted for full time equivalency (FTE) as noted in the following groups:
- Pre - School - Special Education =. 5 FTE
- 4 - Year Old Kindergarten $=.5$ or. 6 FTE
- 5 - Year Old Kindergarten = . 5 - 1 FTE
- Summer ADM Equivalent = FTE Calculated by taking the total minutes of instruction divided by 48,600.


## Online FTE Reports

- Introduction

A note from the Director

- Status \& Due Dates $1 \square \square \square \square$

Information on district data entry and upcoming deadlines

- Financial Data Home

Includes the PI-1505 Full Financial Report

- Non-Financial Data Home

Pupil Count (Summer, September, January), Pupil Transportation, School Calendar, School Census, Challenge Academy

- FTE Reports
- PI-1500 Contacts Report Identify specific district staff for report submission authorization
- District Contact History

Report Submission History

- Auditor

Information on the auditor and audit firm of the district
Special Education Licensure information for auditors

## Online FTE Reports

## FTE Reports

Effective September 18, 2020: The information provided on this SAFR webpage has a "new" look. When you click on a link for 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 or 2019-20 or 2020-21 school year and moving forward, you will see more information.

Pop-up screens can be accessed to show how the value in that location was determined. These upgrades are designed to assist the viewer in understanding how pupil count information is converted to Full Time Equivalency (FTEs).

The equalization aid and revenue limit calculations use district submitted pupil count data that is then converted to full time equivalency (FTE). A district's calculated FTE is referred to as membership. Below are links to the district's memberships for the equalization aid and revenue limit calculations.

Because of auditing and timing issues, these memberships may not be final. However, they are designed to assist school district staff acquire an understanding of how the district's pupil count is converted to membership.
Questions should be directed to school finance consultant staff.

- FY 2020-2021 Aid Calc FTE - Data used to calculate aid paid in the 2021-2022 fiscal year
- FY 2020-2021 FTE Conversion for 2020-2021 Revenue Limit Calculation
- FY 2019-2020 Aid Calc FTE - Data used to calculate aid paid in the 2020-2021 fiscal year
- FY 2019-2020 FTE Conversion for 2019-2020 Revenue Limit Calculation


## Shows the FTE that will be used for Revenue Limit

## Full Time Equivalency (FTE)

September

| PI-1563 Base Data | Step 1 Summary Physically Present or Absent \& Returned | Step 2 <br> Summary Non- <br> Resident Reductions | Step 3 <br> Summary. <br> Resident <br> Reductions | Step 4 <br> Summary. <br> Resident <br> Additions | September Summary | Conversion to FTE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Category | Total | Total | Total | Total | Total | Weight | Prorated | Round Within Age |
| Preschool Special Education | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.50 | 1 |
| 4 YK - 437 Hours | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.00 |  |
| 4 YK - 524.5 Hours | 19 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0.6 | 8.40 | 8 |
| 5 YK - Half Day | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.00 |  |
| 5 YK - 3 Full Days | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.6 | 0.00 |  |
| 5 YK - 4 Full Days | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.8 | 0.00 |  |
| 5 YK - 5 Full Days | 15 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 1 | 13.00 |  |
| 5 YK - Blended | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 13 |
| Grades 1-12 | 216 | 40 | 0 | 16 | 192 | 1 | 192.00 | 192 |
| Subtotal: | 250 | 47 | 0 | 17 | 220 |  |  | 214 |

When you click on the highlighted value, within the FTE portal, a popup screen will provided a breakdown of that total.

## FTE for Revenue Limit Purposes

- FTE generated from the $\mathrm{PI}-1563$ pupil count report from September Count only.
- FTE generated from the September Challenge Academy Report.
- 40\% of FTE identified in the Summer/ Interim Membership FTE report.


## FTE for Equalization Aid that will be used for the following school year

- FTE generated from the PI-1563 pupil count report from September \& January pupil count reports.
- FTE generated from the September \& January Challenge Academy Reports.
- 100\% of the FTE identified in the Summer Membership FTE report.
- Adjustment for Part-time Private or Home-based Students.(Step 3)
- Adjustment for Part-time Private non-resident Students.(Step 5)
- Adjustment for certain foster/group home students.
- Adjustment for Private School Voucher students.


## Summer Membership Reporting

## Fees

Complete The Excel Workbook<br>Report Totals Using On-line Reporting

Fees

Fees
Fees

## Summer Membership Reporting-W1804

- Summer and Interim Sessions start and end during break periods outside of the school year
(for membership purposes only, not the fiscal year)
- An Excel worksheet (PI-1804/PI-1804-1805) is available to calculate minutes used for your Summer FTE.
- The data on the 1804 W2 Summary Sheet of the Excel worksheet is reported to DPI on-line at the conclusion of summer school and is due in September.
- Keep the complete Excel workbook for your auditor to review the information used to calculate your summer school FTE.


## Summer School Reporting-W1804

$\square$ The data on the 1804 W2 Summary Sheet of the Excel worksheet is reported to DPI on-line at the conclusion of summer school and is due October 1, 2021.

The summer school report is one of the few reports that asks you to calculate the FTE count as opposed to a head count.
$\square$ Keep the Excel spreadsheet, as your auditor will review the information used to calculate your summer membership FTE and fee reconciliation.

- Milwaukee and the suburban districts use a special workbook (W1804-1805) that counts ITP students (Chapter 220)


## Summer and Interim Session Fees

$\square$ Fees for the resident student or parent may be charged for individual use supplies (towels, gym clothes, band instruments, notebooks, pencils), textbooks, or similar items (workbooks) if the district claims the members for State General Aid under ss. 121.14.
$\square$ Fees may be charged for social, recreational, or extracurricular summer classes and programs which are neither credited toward graduation nor eligible for State General Aid [s. 118.04(4)].
$\square$ https://dpi.wi.gov/sfs/finances/budgeting/school-fees

## Summer and interim Session Fees

$\square$ The fee must fund an item that is legally permitted and actually purchased for summer school use
$\square$ The fee may not be used to subsidize the cost of any other classes, students or administration
$\square$ The fee must be based upon the actual cost of the applicable item(s) the student received

If your district is required to have a membership audit, the auditor will also review your summer school FTE and any associated summer school fees

Membership Audits


## District Selection Process

- The state superintendent is required annually to select at least 25 percent of school districts to have membership audits.
- Random Selection
- From a "four-year cycle" pool
- From an "annual selection" pool
- District audited in the prior year having a net error rate in excess of $1 \%$ from the reported membership, for either count date.
- Pupil Count report was not received on time.
- Districts announced in February and due May 1st


## Reconciliation Worksheet

## RECONCILIATION OF SEPTEMBER COUNT TO JANUARY COUNT

- All districts are required to explain (reconcile) membership changes that occur between the September and January counts.
- The process involves identifying and documenting the specific membership additions and subtractions that have happened in each category (ex. 4YK - 524.5 hours) between the 2 count dates.
- The completed reconciliation is to be kept on file at the district office and available for DPI and your independent auditor upon request.
. Supporting documentation should also be kept on file and available upon request.


## Reconciliation Worksheet

Counting Children

Challenge Academy
Group and Foster Home Membership

Pupil Count PI-1563
Membership Reporting
Membership Report
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Example
Summer School

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## Membership Information and Reporting

Overview and Contact
Wisconsin public school districts are required to count pupils for membership purposes on the 3rd Friday in September and 2nd Friday in January and report the data to the Department of Public Instruction. The Pl-1563, an internet-based application accessed via the School Finance Reporting Portal, is used to collect the information.

Click the appropriate Links below for more information.

- Pupil Count Portals - Residency
- Editing Pupil Count Data After February 1st
- Alternative Count Date
- Guidelines for Counting
- Reconciliation of Pupil Counts
- Additional Resources


## All districts are required to explain (reconcile) membership changes that occur between the September and January counts.

## Reconciliation Worksheet



- Columns 1 and 5 : The data in these 2 columns is pulled live from the "Total" column in the "Summary of All Steps" for each district's

PI 1563 Pupil Count Report on file with DPI.

## Summer Membership - Audit

- Review of Fees for summer school are part of this auditing process.
- Review DPI Guidance on this issue.
- Review proposed fees to make sure they are appropriate.
- At the close of the summer class, complete the fee reconciliation in the PI 1804 - You may need to refund the overcharge.
- Invoices used to confirm actual cost of eligible supplies and support the amount of the fee.
- To avoid the consequences of overcharging, adequate refunds must be made before the October 1st.
- Enrollment and Withdrawal Records (ADM)
- Attendance Records (ADM)
- Course Descriptions
- Board Policy Regarding Attendance and Enrollment Status


## Heads Up !

## Things to know about...

Things to watch for when . . .


## Non-Public Part-time Attendance

| Home-based Private Education |
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| $\S 118.53$ |
| $\S 121.004(7)(\mathrm{em})$ |

Non-Parochial, Parochial, Tribal § 118.145(4) §121.004(7)(e)
$\checkmark \quad$ Grades 9-12
$\checkmark$ Residents Only Up to 2 Courses Per Semester
Resident
$\checkmark$ Any Grade (K-12)
$\checkmark$ Any Grade (K-12)
$\checkmark$ Up to 2 Courses Per
$\checkmark$ Up to 2 Courses Per Semester
Semester
Can Count - FTE Computed
$\checkmark$ Can Count - 25 FTE for Each Course, .50 FTE Max on Hours Attenflyfor General Aid Purposes, NOT Revenue Limit <---

## Early Learners; Preschool, 4K

- New 4K programs need to be approved by DPI.
- 4-Year-Old Kindergarten must be universal and open to all age eligible children in the district.
- Pupil must be at least 4 years old by Sept $1^{\text {st. }}$.
- Preschool and Special Education
- If pupils are enrolled in both 4 K and Preschool Special Education, count in $4 K$. Do not count in more than one category/program.


# Membership and 3, 4, and 5-Year Olds 

## Takeaways

$\square$ Have to be public school students in order to count for membership.
$\square$ Non-Special Education 3-Year Olds participating in district programs are counted separately in PI1563 Step 1.1 and Step 1.2. from Special Education 3-Year Olds students you serve
$\square$ Count children in the program they are attending.

## Membership and 3 Year Olds

. Please see the session handout provided in these links:

Student Membership three, four or five year-olds
. https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/sfs/xls/Revise d-Student-Membership-3-4_or-5-Year-Olds5.xlsx
This document will be a good recourse when working with determining the assignment of students being served under the age of six.

## Special Education

- Begins at age three.
- For three- and four-year-old children not in a $4 k$ program, count as .50 FTE regardless of the special education program time in attendance.
- Speech and Language
- Early Childhood (Pre-School)
- Other Services
- Students who turned 20, prior to the first day of class, may enroll any time during the year.


## Counting Students Who Are 20 and 21 Years Old

- If a special education student is 20 prior to the first day of classes according to the school calendar, the student can enroll any time during the year, even after turning 21, and the district must provide services and can count the student.
- If a regular education student is 20 when he/she enrolls and receives instruction, the district must provide services and can count the student. If a student turns 21 prior to enrolling and receiving instruction, the district is not required to provide services and cannot count the student. If a student enrolls prior to turning 21, but turns 21 before attending classes, the district is not required to provide services and the student cannot be counted.


## Part-time Attendance and FTE

- Residents attending Private School
- Calculated based on hours
- Residents - Home Based
- Calculated based on hours
- Non-Residents Home Based
- . 25 FTE per Course
- Follow the directions/steps as given in the report process or reporting form


## Counting Part-time Pupils

- District of attendance may count non-resident, homebased pupils enrolled part-time
- Different method to count resident vs. non-resident part-time pupils

| Pupil comes <br> from: | RESIDENT | NON- <br> RESIDENT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Home School <br> [All grades] | \# PT Pupil Hours <br> FT Hours for <br> Grade = FTE | 0.25 FTE per <br> course (max of 2 <br> courses) |
| Private School <br> [Grade 9-12] | \# PT Pupil Hours <br> FT Hours for <br> Grade $=$ FTE | Cannot be counted |

## Challenge Academy

- Separate report used to account for cadets.
- National Guard determines residency.
- Both fall and spring reports must be completed.
- If student is in the Fall CA count, do not count in PI-1563
- By answering questions regarding the regular pupil count data, the Spring report will determine how to count the pupil.


## Other

- Tuition Waivers
- These situations involve children moving out/in of a district mid-year. Sometimes, you still can count a pupil in the year they have moved out of your district....and, sometimes you can't count a new pupil that recently moved in.


## DPI School Financial Service Team

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DPI COVID-19 Resource

