

2024 Pupil Accounting Update

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Virtual Learning (sec. 21f)

15 DAYS OF INSTRUCTIONAL TIME PROVIDED UNDER 21F

- Board approved plan
- Notice to impacted pupils and parent/guardian
- Parental consent not needed
- Days may only be used for:
 - Emergency closures
 - Student testing days
 - Professional Development
- Countable hours = # of hours teachers are available

Virtual Learning (sec. 21f)

Last items on the 15 days:

- if used for PD or student testing, they should be included on your district calendar. The PD days under this section should be differentiated from those offered under 101(10).
- When to use TWIs vs Course Activities vs Attendance

105/105c

Speaking of virtual, if your district has a virtual program that is open to schools of choice enrollment, your district should consider:

- Where students will go if the program is discontinued.
- How your district will respond to requests for in person courses.

Please keep in mind that students who are enrolled under 105/105c are given super residency.

In addition, if a student has not broken attendance by enrolling in another educational program, they remain eligible for enrollment with your district even if there is a gap in attendance.

Homebound/ Hospitalized

H/H Placements can be made by:

- MD, or
- DO.

If the student is seen by a nurse practitioner, the placement letter must come from one of the above.

Students from other countries

Previous guidance has stated that a person who is now a resident of Michigan who reached completion status in their country of origin would not be eligible for membership.

After reviewing that policy, consideration of completion status is no longer a sole determinant.

Districts will now allow a person to enroll IF the person would did not complete the MMC requirements and is age eligible.

Teacher Certification

- Requirement from salary and membership standpoints now match.
- Teachers must be appropriate for the grade and subject area.
- If in doubt, obtain a permit.

Teacher Certification

- Two separate deductions
 - 388.1763 – Salary Deduction
 - 388.1606 – Membership Deduction
- Adjustments related to misplacements are prorated based on the duration of noncompliance.

Teacher Certification

Statute has been amended to allow the department to automatically waive the salary level deduction for a teacher when there is also a membership deduction.

Dropout Recovery (sec. 23a/25g)

For districts that operate their own dropout recovery program under Section 23a, the funding has been extended for the 2024-25 school year for those pupils who exceed 1.0 FTE.

At this point, the funding is scheduled to return to the prior allotment amount in 2025-26.

Additional Forgiven Time

Prior to the 2023-24 school year, the department considered how much instructional time a district was scheduled to generate via PD when a request for additional forgiven time was received.

As of last year, and going forward as far as we can tell, PD is no longer a determining factor when requesting additional forgiven time from the department.

Student Records (PII)

MDE has confirmed student records should not be collected, stored, or maintained for the following third-party scenarios.

- Zoom recordings
- Enrollment information
- Biometric data

Have a great idea?

Each year the department submits its proposals for changes that it believes are needed in statute to the Legislature.

If you have a good idea, and want to share, let us know.

Include the proposed language you are suggesting.

Administrative Rule Revision

The last time the pupil accounting rules were revised was in 2008.

We are in the process of modernizing and simplifying the ruleset.

This is a 3 year process.

Tribal Affiliation Data Collection

CEPI is in the process of preparing their systems to allow for the collection of student tribal affiliation data.

This is something to look for in the next year or so...

Dropout Recovery Membership Reconciliation

Each year, the department moves membership that has been claimed under 23a that exceeds the 1.0 CAP for “traditional” programs to 25g.

This adjustment occurs during the first couple of payments during the new school year for the claims made during the prior year.

The new funding was not retroactive, so we anticipate a proration.

DCH

The days, hours, and attendance deductions for the 2023-24 school year will be finalized and affect payments in January of 2025.

Remember, we only want districts to report their shortfalls.

Resources

The Pupil Accounting Manual (PAM)

- Is the “playbook”
- Combines statute, rule, and court rulings

The Pupil Membership Auditing Manual (PMAM)

- This is what your auditors will follow

The state aid website, specifically the section for pupil accounting

- www.mi.gov/sasf
- 4th link from the bottom.

Thank
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