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RE: Fall Enrollment 2020

# Fall Enrollment and Low-Income Students

As part of Evidence Based Funding (EBF), each year school districts must report to ISBE the number of students enrolled as of the first day in October. These school-level fall enrollment counts are based on enrollment and exit dates reported for individual students in the ISBE Student Information System (SIS) and are attached for both 2019-20 and 2020-21. For October 1, 2020 both the district's enrollment and percentage of low income students fell compared to the same time last year.

# **Title 1 Funding**

Data Snapshots:

Individual schools qualify for Title 1 funds when they have a higher percentage of low-income students than the district overall. To measure this data when applying for Title 1 funds for the upcoming school year, districts may:

1) Use either October 1<sup>st</sup> or May/June 1<sup>st</sup> data; and

2) Claim all students at their home school where they reside or at their serving school where they attend classes.

## School-Wide vs. Targeted Programs:

Individual schools may also apply for school-wide Title 1 programming providing eligibility for all students, or apply for targeted programming where student eligibility is based on their assessment scores and other criteria. Schools having both a higher percentage than the district of low-income students and at least 20% of their students designated as low-income may apply for School-Wide Title 1 status rather than Targeted Title 1 status.

Each year D97 measures the low-income data across these possible combinations to select the method that maximizes our funding opportunities.

## 2019-20 Title 1 Funding

Title 1 funding always uses student data from the prior year. For 2019-20 school year, D97 chose June 1, 2019 serving school data to maximize our funding and qualify the most schools possible. As a result, the district was able to qualify six schools for Title 1 funds, three for targeted assistance and three for school-wide assistance.

## 2020-21 Title 1 Funding

When looking at data for this year's Title 1 funding, we found that the percentage of low income students rose between Fall Enrollment on October 1, 2019 and the end of the school year; therefore we used June 1, 2020 data to qualify the most schools for 2020-21.

The fall enrollment counts and list of Title 1 schools for both 2019-20 and 2020-21 are shown on the next page. Although no schools were above 20% low income threshold required for school-wide funding, we were able to qualify seven schools and grandfather in an additional eighth school: Beye, Brooks, Holmes, Irving, Julian, Lincoln, and Whittier qualified for Targeted Title 1 services and Longfellow was grandfathered in.

## 2021-22 Title 1 Forecast

For the remainder of this school year, the continuing economic impact of the pandemic on our families may increase our FRL percentage across the district. As such we might be able to use the May/June 2021 data to add Longfellow school and increase Holmes and Whittier to school-wide funding. We will examine the May 1, 2021 and June 1, 2021 data district-wide by both home and serving school to ensure that we continue to maximize our Title 1 funding opportunities for 2021-22. This opportunity will greatly depend on our families being willing to complete new National School Lunch applications during the school year. Please also keep in mind that while we expect the enrollment for October 2021 to be higher than the previous year, that data cannot be used for Title 1 funding until the 2022-23 school year.

#### Fall Enrollment

#### October 1, 2019 Enrollment Figures

	By Serving School			
			Percentage	
	Enrollment	Low Income	Low Income	
Beye	397	64	16.1%	
Brooks	907	157	17.3%	
Hatch	381	45	11.8%	
Holmes	517	94	18.2%	
Irving	498	89	17.9%	
Julian	1006	177	17.6%	
Lincoln	678	108	15.9%	
Longfellow	696	102	14.7%	
Mann	474	18	3.8%	
Whittier	482	90	18.7%	
District	6036	944	15.6%	

#### October 1, 2020 Enrollment Figures

	By Serving School		Change from Prior Year			
						Change
			Percentage	Change	Change Low	Percentage
	Enrollment	Low Income	Low Income	Enrollment	Income	Low Income
Beye	363	51	14.0%	-34	-13	-2.1%
Brooks	903	127	14.1%	-4	-30	-3.2%
Hatch	351	38	10.8%	-30	-7	-1.0%
Holmes	470	87	18.5%	-47	-7	0.3%
Irving	506	70	13.8%	8	-19	-4.0%
Julian	950	151	15.9%	-56	-26	-1.7%
Lincoln	615	80	13.0%	-63	-28	-2.9%
Longfellow	611	105	17.2%	-85	3	2.5%
Mann	415	9	2.2%	-59	-9	-1.6%
Whittier	425	67	15.8%	-57	-23	-2.9%
District	5609	785	14.0%	-427	-159	-1.6%

### **Title 1 Designated Schools**

#### June 1, 2019 Enrollment Figures Final List of 2019-20 Title 1 Schools

	By Serving School			
			Percentage	
	Enrollment	Low Income	Low Income	
Beye	369	74	20.1%	
Brooks	916	159	17.4%	
Hatch	377	54	14.3%	
Holmes	564	111	19.7%	
Irving	476	87	18.3%	
Julian	1037	204	19.7%	
Lincoln	677	118	17.4%	
Longfellow	711	148	20.8%	
Mann	487	28	5.7%	
Whittier	481	99	20.6%	
District	6095	1082	17.8%	

#### June 1, 2020 Enrollment Figures Final List of 2020-21 Title 1 Schools

	By Serving School		Change from Prior Year			
						Change
			Percentage	Change	Change Low	Percentage
	Enrollment	Low Income	Low Income	Enrollment	Income	Low Income
Beye	393	65	16.5%	24	-9	-3.5%
Brooks	903	159	<b>17.6</b> %	-13	0	0.2%
Hatch	379	47	12.4%	2	-7	-1.9%
Holmes	507	100	19.7%	-57	-11	0.0%
Irving	499	89	17.8%	23	2	-0.4%
Julian	1005	178	17.7%	-32	-26	-2.0%
Lincoln	676	109	16.1%	-1	-9	-1.3%
Longfellow *	698	109	15.6%	-13	-39	-5.2%
Mann	470	19	4.0%	-17	-9	-1.7%
Whittier	476	91	19.1%	-5	-8	-1.5%
District	6006	966	16.1%	-89	-116	-1.7%

\* Longfellow has been grandfathered in for the 20-21 school year