

Additional information on anticipated and unanticipated enrollment increases.

1. First Monday October = Fall student count for ANB per 20-9-311, MCA.
2. First Monday February = Spring student count for ANB per 20-9-311, MCA.
 - Collection lasts about 5 days.
 - Cleanup and validation lasts about 5 to 10 days after the initial collection days.
 - Ensuing Year CY ANB, 3 Year Average & Budget Limitation ANB are all calculated at this time.
 - Calculation of Preliminary Budget Data Sheets use this data and they are created throughout February.
3. March 1 - Initial (Pre-Session) Preliminary Budget Data Sheets (PBDS) are provided to districts per 20-9-369, MCA.
4. May - Once session is over Post-Session PBDS are provided to districts per 20-9-369, MCA.
4. June 1 – Final day to apply for an Unusual (**ANTICIPATED**) Enrollment Increase per 20-9-314, MCA
5. (**ANTICIPATED Enrollment Increase “claw back” for non-materialization**) Between October & November, after the Fall student count for ANB the following based on 20-9-314(6), MCA

If the actual enrollment is less than the enrollment used to determine the budgeted ANB, the superintendent of public instruction shall recalculate the district's BASE budget and maximum budget limitations, adopted budget, and BASE aid using the actual enrollment in place of the adjusted enrollment and:

- (i) any BASE aid received by the district in excess of the amount recalculated is an overpayment subject to the refund provisions of 20-9-344(4); and
- (ii) any revenue received by the district from BASE budget and over-BASE budget levies increased by the difference between the adjusted enrollment and the actual enrollment is an overpayment and must be used to reduce the BASE budget levy calculated as provided in 20-9-141 to the extent of any BASE budget levy revenue overpayment and to reduce the over-BASE budget levy to the extent of any over-BASE budget levy revenue overpayment in the ensuing school fiscal year. In order to return the full amount of the overpayment to local taxpayers, the amount of the reduction in the BASE budget mills levied as a result of any overpayment must be calculated as a final step in computing the district's general fund net BASE levy requirement pursuant to the procedure set forth in 20-9-141(2) and the district's guaranteed tax base aid must be calculated prior to the reduction in BASE mills.

6. **UNANTICIPATED enrollment increases** are permitted and may be calculated after both the Fall & Spring student count collections, per 20-9-166, MCA and provide additional direct state aid only, a portion of this statute is copied below.

20-9-166. State financial aid for budget amendments. Whenever a final budget amendment has been adopted for the general fund to finance the cost of an amendment resulting from increased enrollment, the trustees may apply to the superintendent of public instruction for an **increased payment from the state for direct state aid**.

Also refer to 10.20.103, ARM for more on unusual enrollment increases.

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