

Subsections (4) - (8) are amended to read:

6A-1.0451 Florida Education Finance Program Student Membership Surveys.

(1) - (3) No Change.

(4) During the year, at least four (4) full-time equivalent student membership surveys shall be conducted under the administrative direction of and on a schedule provided by the Commissioner. The second period and the third period full-time equivalent student membership survey for students in a program scheduled for one hundred eighty (180) school days shall each be equal to ninety, one hundred eightieths (90/180) of the school year. Students in a program scheduled for less than one hundred eighty (180) school days in any full-time equivalent student membership survey shall be a fraction of a full-time equivalent member as provided in Section 1011.61(1) 236.013(2)(c)2, Florida Statutes. The four (4) survey periods, insofar as practicable, shall be scheduled to take the extended school year, staggered school year, and other variations of the regular one hundred eighty (180) day school year into consideration. School districts may submit amendments to student membership survey data in accordance with the following schedule: Survey Period 1 (July) may not be amended after September 30 following the survey; Survey Period 2 (October) may not be amended after March 31 following the survey; Survey Period 3 (February) may not be amended after July 31 following the survey; Survey Period 4 (June) may not be amended after August 31 following the survey ~~for a period of nine (9) months from the due date of the membership survey being amended~~, or until a membership survey audit as required by Rule 6A-1.0453, F.A.C., has been completed, whichever shall take place first. Such amendments which are submitted too late to be reviewed and included in the last membership data determining the earnings of Florida education finance program funds for the given year shall be treated as prior year adjustments.

(5) For purposes of transportation, ~~physically handicapped~~ students with disabilities under Section 1011.68(5) ~~236.083~~, Florida Statutes, shall be those students defined by Rule 6A-6.0301, F.A.C., as trainable or profoundly handicapped, hearing impaired, visually impaired or physically impaired who have been appropriately identified under the district procedures for providing special education for exceptional students.

(6) When passengers other than public school students in membership, grades K-12 and exceptional, are transported on a school bus at the same time public school students are transported to or from school, the bus route mileage required to transport students as authorized in Section 1011.68(2) ~~236.083(2)~~, Florida Statutes, shall be computed as follows:

(a) If the number of passengers other than public school students in membership, grades K-12 and exceptional, transported on a bus route exceeds five (5) percent of the manufacturer's rated seating capacity of the bus, the loaded bus route miles for that trip shall be adjusted by the percentage of passengers that are not public school students in membership, grades K-12 and exceptional.

(b) Bus miles traveled over a side route to load or unload passengers other than public school students in membership, grades K-12 and exceptional, and miles traveled transporting exclusively other passengers shall not be reported to or counted by the Department for the purpose of FEFP. transportation funding.

(7) For students in all special programs, a student's full-time equivalent membership shall be reported in the respective special program cost factor prescribed in Section 1011.62(1)(c) ~~236.081(1)(c)~~, Florida Statutes, when the student is eligible and is attending a class, course, or program which has met all of the criteria for the special program cost factor. In addition, when reporting program membership, each student shall be reported in the same special program

category as reported in the full-time equivalent membership survey.

~~(8) For a student to be reported for a special program cost factor for exceptional students, all students in membership and attending an exceptional student class, course or program shall be eligible exceptional students as defined in Rule 6A-6.0301, F.A.C.~~

~~(8)(9) ESE 135, Department of Juvenile Justice FTE School Funding Certification; ESE 233, FEFP Transportation Survey; ESE 693, School Funding Certification Supplemental FTE Information; ESE 909, Automated Format for FTE Membership Survey; EJE 059, School Funding Certification, Adult FTE Information; and ELS 329, School Funding Certification, Supplemental FTE Information, effective October 1994, are is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this rule. This ~~These~~ forms may be obtained from the Bureau of School Business Services, Office of Funding and Financial Reporting, ~~Division of Public Schools~~, ~~The Florida Education Center~~, Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.~~

Specific Authority 1001.02(1) ~~229.053(1)~~ FS. Law Implemented 1011.61, 1011.62(1), 1011.68 ~~236.013(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7)~~, 236.081(1), 236.083(1), (2) FS. History—New 4-19-74, Amended 10-31-74, Repromulgated 12-5-74, Amended 6-1-75, 1-29-76, 4-12-78, 8-2-79, 2-4-81, 7-28-81, 4-27-82, 7-13-83, 7-10-85, Formerly 6A-1.451, Amended 3-12-86, 9-30-87, 10-31-88, 12-5-90, 10-26-94, 12-15-98,