INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING BASIC EDUCATION DATA SYSTEM (BEDS)

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL DATA FORM – Fall 2021

Note: Data reported on this form are used to verify the accuracy of information submitted to the Office of Grants Management on the Nonpublic School Mandated Services Aid form (MSA-1). To be eligible for reimbursement for a mandate, all reports required in connection with that mandate must have been submitted by the established deadline. Reimbursement for mandated services will be delayed for nonpublic schools that have not submitted the required reports. Questions about mandated services claims should be directed to the Office of Grants Management at (518) 474-3936.

For questions concerning the completion of the Non-Public School Data Form, please contact Information and Reporting Services at (518) 474-7965 or datasupport@nysed.gov

General Instructions

1. This form should be completed by the principal or chief executive officer of this school. The name and title of the person completing the form should appear in the space provided on the front page. Before submitting the completed form to the Education Department, you should make a copy of the form for your files in the event that you need to be contacted for clarification.

2. One form should be completed for each school organized as a separate administrative unit and assigned its own unique BEDS Code. Do not complete separate forms for classes that are held in temporary quarters, annexes, or other school buildings that are under the supervision of a regular building principal unless such locations have been assigned their own unique BEDS code. Such classes should be reported as part of the school in which the principal in charge serves. A rule of thumb is that one form should be completed for the total administrative unit under each principal regardless of the number of locations involved unless the location(s) has been assigned its own unique BEDS code. Locations that have received their own BEDS codes are considered ‘schools’ and must report data separately.

3. Read the instructions for each item before completing it.

4. Be sure that all items pertinent to this school are completed.

5. Any items which do not apply to this school should be left blank.

6. All requested data are for the current school year (2021-22) unless specified otherwise.

Item 1: Enrollment in This School

As of October 6, 2021, report all students enrolled and under the administration of this school even if some enrolled students are physically housed at other locations without unique BEDS codes. Any location with its own unique BEDS code must report its students separately. For additional information, please refer to the memo from September 2017 at http://www.p12.nysed.gov/nonpub/documents/SORI_S_Code_memo_final.pdf

In Section 1A, response areas are provided by ethnicity and gender for Prekindergarten students. Gender includes non-binary, a term used to describe a person who does not identify as exclusively male or female. NOTE: You must enter the total number of Pre-K students in the box designated “Enter total number of Pre-K students in this school”. Prekindergarten students with disabilities should be reported in Prekindergarten along with students who do not have disabilities. Report as Prekindergarten only students who will be four years of age on or before December 1st, or who will otherwise be eligible to attend kindergarten next school year. No three year old children should be reported in this area.

In Section 1B, response areas are provided by ethnicity and gender for Kindergarten through Ungraded Elementary students (UGE). Gender includes non-binary, a term used to describe a person who does not identify as exclusively male or female. You must enter the total number of K-UGE students in the box designated “Total K-UGE Enrollment”. Note that response areas are provided for ungraded students with disabilities at the elementary level (ages 12 and below – School age children only). If you have ungraded students other than students with disabilities, please group them according to age and assign them to a grade for purposes of this item.

In Section 1C, response areas are provided by ethnicity and gender for Grade 7 through Ungraded Secondary Students (UGS). Gender includes non-
binary, a term used to describe a person who does not identify as exclusively male or female. You must enter the total number of 7-UGS students in the box designated “Total 7-UGS Enrollment”. Note that response areas are provided for ungraded students with disabilities at the secondary level (ages 13 and above-school age children only). If you have ungraded students other than students with disabilities, please group them according to age and assign them to a grade for purposes of this item.

Once Item 1 A, B and C are completed, you must enter the count of students in the “Total Enrollment” section.

For each grade in your school indicate the number of students in the grade by gender who are in each of the ethnic groups listed. Gender includes non-binary, a term used to describe a person who does not identify as exclusively male or female. If you are not sure of race or ethnicity, choose the classification that, in your judgment, best fits the individual.

The racial/ethnic designations used in this item do not denote scientific definitions of anthropological origins. **No person should be counted in more than one racial/ethnic group.**

- **American Indian or Alaska Native** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.
- **Black or African American (not Hispanic origin)** – A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- **Asian** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand and Vietnam.
- **Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- **Hispanic or Latino** – A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- **White (not Hispanic origin)** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.
- **Multi-Racial (not Hispanic origin)** – A person having origins in two or more of the categories of people classified as American Indian or Alaska Native, Black or African American (not Hispanic origin), Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, or White (not Hispanic origin).

Note: Any person of Hispanic or Latino origins, in whole or in part, should be reported as Hispanic or Latino.

**Item 2: Count of Students by Residence**

These data are being collected to enable the State Education Department to appropriate the proper amount of textbook aid for public school districts for the New York State Textbook Loan Program.

Students eligible for the New York State Textbook Loan Program must be residents of New York State who are enrolled in any of grades K-12, including ungraded elementary and ungraded secondary, in a New York State nonpublic school which complies with the compulsory attendance law. Pre-K students and students who are residents of another state or country are not eligible for the NYS Textbook Loan Program. **Please be sure to only include Pre-K students under the Pre-K column.**

Report in Part 2A your New York State resident students by district of residence and the number of students by Pre-K, K-6 and 7-12 levels. The K-6 category includes ungraded elementary and the 7-12 category includes ungraded secondary students. Using the drop-down menu, choose the appropriate school district and enter the enrollment. You can add new rows as needed by clicking the “add new row” button.

**Note:** Please visit the following website – [https://www.schools.nyc.gov/find-a-school](https://www.schools.nyc.gov/find-a-school) if you need assistance in locating the correct NYC Geo District for NYC residents. When using this site:

1. Enter the student’s home address in to School Name or Address field and Choose Grade 1 (no matter what grade the student is in.)
2. Find the GEO District the student should be counted in the gray box labeled “Zoned School” (first school) to appear in the listing.

**NOTE:** If you are a NYC Non-Public School and have more than 100 students enrolled, you may indicate all student’s district of residence using the first six-digits of your BEDS Code.

If this school has students enrolled who are residents of other states or countries, indicate their total numbers in Part 2B of this item. If this school has students
enrolled who are found to be otherwise ineligible, including court-placed Article 81 students, indicate their total numbers in Part 2B of this item.

In Section 2C, “Total Count of Students by District of Residence”, indicate the total count of Pre-K, K-6 and 7-12 students reported in Section 2A and 2B. Note: Enrollments must match the total Pre-K through Grade 12 enrollments reported in Item 1A, B and C.

Item 3: Professional Staff in This School

Provide unduplicated counts of full-time (Section 3A) and part-time (Section 3B) professional personnel in the appropriate level (elementary or secondary) categories. Furloughed or laid off staff should not be counted. The terms “full-time” and “part-time” refer to the extent of employment in the school rather than in a particular assignment. For example, a person working a portion of his or her time as a teacher and a portion as a guidance counselor, but working full time in the school, would be reported under “full-time” in the appropriate category.

For professional staff members who split their time evenly between teaching and nonteaching duties, or evenly between elementary and secondary grade levels, a decision should be made by the principal concerning the category in which they are to be counted. Staff members should be counted in one category only. Report whole numbers only.

Do not count paraprofessional staff (i.e., teaching assistants, teaching aides, pupil personnel service aides, library aides, health aides, and volunteers) in this item.

The "Principal or Chief Executive Officer" category refers to the chief administrator of this school.

The "Assistant Principals" category includes all personnel who spend the majority of their time directly assisting the principal or chief executive officer in carrying out administrative policy.

Count as "Supervisors and Department Heads" those persons who devote more than half of their time to these activities. Persons who spend a majority of their time teaching, but who have minor administrative duties (less than half-time), should be reported under "Teachers."

The "Teachers" category should include all personnel who devote more than half of their time to teaching duties, including such subject areas as art, music, physical education, and reading, which are often considered to be a special category.

Count as "Librarians" those persons who devote more than half of their time to monitoring the library media resources available in the school.

The category "Other Professional Staff" should include school nurses, psychologists, pupil personnel staff, therapists having a four-year degree, and other non-classroom professionals (except principals, assistant principals, supervisors, department heads, teachers, librarians and guidance counselors) who devote more than half of their time to nonteaching duties.

Do not include personnel employed by the public school district to provide services to your students.

Item 4: School Day Hours

In Item 4 indicate, by grade-level, the hour your school begins instructional time and the hour your school ends instructional time. Enter the hours that reflect the majority of your school days. Do not include before and after school programs.

If your school is conducting split sessions to accommodate a hybrid model of instruction, please report the start time for the first session of the day as ‘School Day Begins’ and the end time for the last session as ‘School Day Ends’.

Item 5: Foreign Language Instruction in This School

In Section 5A, indicate whether or not this school offers foreign language instruction during the 2021-22 school year. If YES, in Section 5B and 5C, indicate the total number of students enrolled and the number of teachers in the languages for Grades K-UGE and 7-UGS.

Item 6: English Language Learners (ELL)

In Section 6A, indicate whether or not this school has any students who are English Language Learners (ELL). Section 154.2(a) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education defines limited English proficiency as follows: “Pupils with limited English proficiency shall mean pupils who by reason of foreign birth or ancestry, speak a language other than English, and (1) either understand and speak little or no English; or (2) score below a state designated level of proficiency, on the New York State Identification Test for English Language Learners (NYSITELL) or the New York State English as a Second Language Achievement Test (NYSESLAT);...”

If YES, indicate the number of students by grade range who are ELL. K-6 includes ungraded elementary and 7-12 includes ungraded secondary.

Schools are required to collect test data on all students who score below a state-designated level of proficiency on a standardized test of English reading. Students who score below a state-designated level
must be provided English as a New Language (ENL), Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE) or One-Way or Two-Way Dual Language services.

Note: Native speakers of English who score below the statewide reference point on an English language assessment instrument should not be included in this item.

Items 6B, 6C, 6D: Bilingual Education Programs

Bilingual Program is defined as an instructional program comprised of three components: instruction in Home Language Arts and English Language Arts; English as a New Language; and bilingual core content area instruction. The purpose of providing ELL students with instruction in their home language and in English is to enable them to progress and develop academically in all content areas while achieving competence in the English language. \(8\) NYCRR \(\S\)154.2.2(b).

The Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages is collecting information on whether your school is providing either a Bilingual Education (BE) program or English as a New Language (ENL) program to all ELLs. They are also collecting the year in which the program began.

If a bilingual program is offered in your school, enter the type of program, language of instruction, and the grade span in which the program is currently offered. There are generally two types of Bilingual programs, one is called a Transitional Bilingual Education Program (Home language use decreases as English use increases), and the other is called either a One-Way or Two-Way Dual Language Program.

One-Way Dual Language Program is primarily composed of students who come from the same home/primary language and/or background. The teacher provides instruction in both English and the home/target language.

Two-Way Dual Language Program includes both native English speakers and ELLs. The teacher or teachers provide instruction in both English and the home/primary language. In the majority of Dual Language Programs, the students receive half of their instruction in their home/primary language and the remainder of their instruction in the target language. Depending upon the model, the percentage of English and home/target language instruction will vary. For example, in a 90%-10% model, a greater percentage of instruction is in the target language other than English and increases over time until reaching 50%-50%.

The goal of these programs is for students to develop literacy and proficiency in English and in the home/target language.

Item 7: Lunch, Breakfast and Milk Programs

In Section 7A, indicate whether or not this school participates in the Federal Child Nutrition Program. The Federal Child Nutrition Program includes free and reduced-price breakfast and lunch, and free milk programs.

If this school does participate in the Federal Child Nutrition Program, indicate which provision this school has implemented. Child Nutrition Program regulations include certain provisions that reduce paperwork and that do not require a school to collect eligibility data and certify students each year.

Provision 2 requires schools to offer meals at no charge to all students in exchange for conducting eligibility certification and standard counting and claiming only once every four years. Direct Certification (DC) must be conducted at least once annually when participating in Provision 2 for federal and State reporting purposes. Local Education Agencies (LEAs) must apply to NYSED Child Nutrition to participate in Provision 2, which is a four-year provision. Additional four-year extensions may be granted if the school can substantiate economic need.

Community Eligibility Program (CEP) requires that at least 40 percent of students be determined eligible via DC certification. Local Education Agencies (LEAs) must apply to NYSED Child Nutrition in order to participate in CEP, which is a four-year provision. Schools participating in CEP must conduct DC at least once annually for federal and State reporting purposes.

If your school does NOT participate in the Federal Child Nutrition Program, indicate whether the school collects free and reduced price student eligibility information. In order to indicate ‘Yes’ to this question, a school must have on file completed and approved lunch applications, DC or other documentation acceptable to the Federal Child Nutrition Program.

If your school participates in the Federal Child Nutrition Program OR collects student eligibility information, enter the number of eligible students for free and reduced price school meals by grade level in Sections 7B and 7C. Counts should be as of October 6, 2021 and are needed even if a Provision 2 or CEP agreement is in place. Schools implementing Provision 2 or CEP should use current year data (via
DC and the collection of other household economic need data).

Each student with an approved application or other documentation should be counted only in the school in which he or she is enrolled, regardless of where they are fed.

In Section 7D indicate the total number of eligible students for free and reduced-price school meals.

**Item 8: Students Supported by Public Funds under Contract with a Public School District**

This item applies only to private schools approved for reimbursement with public funds for educating children with disabilities. In this item, report the number of students, by grade, who are attending this school as of October 6, 2021 and whose tuition is supported by public funds under contract with a public school district. Do not include students attending this school pursuant to Article 81 of the Education Law. The total number of students reported in this item cannot exceed the number reported in Item 1 – Enrollment in This School.

**Item 9A: Technology**

In Section 9A, Enter the number of instructional computing devices, less than five years old, that are in use in your school. For this purpose, computing devices refer to desktop computers, laptops, tablets nine (9) inches or greater (i.e. iPads) and/or Chromebooks. Note: Only include devices used for instructional purposes that are less than five years old. Do not include computers or other devices that are for administrators only.

NOTE: Do not count computers in storage because they have been deemed outdated and have no further intended use in this school.

In Section 9A.1, select the category that best describes what percentage of teachers have computers in their classrooms: 0 to 20%; 21 to 40%; 41 to 60%; 61 to 80%; or 81 to 100%. Select only one category.

In the next section of 9A, select the category that best describes who uses the computers within the classroom. Select only one category.

In the final section of 9A, indicate whether this school allows students to use their own devices during school hours for instructional purposes.

**Item 9B: Internet Connectivity**

In Section 9B, select which statement best describes the internet access currently available in your school.

**Item 10: Distance Learning**

COVID-19 has changed the way students are educated. Indicate which format(s) of distance learning is being used by your school to provide continuity of education to your students (check all that apply). All nonpublic schools should have at least one of the distance learning formats checked.

**Item 11: Fire Inspection Certification**

Please note: Only schools outside of New York City, Buffalo, Syracuse, Rochester or Yonkers City School District and schools with enrollment of 25 or more students, are required to submit an Annual Fire Inspection Report to the State Office of Religious and Independent Schools (SORIS). Please check which statement is the most accurate for the current school year (2021-22). For further information please go to: [http://www.p12.nysed.gov/nonpub/fire_safety_report.html](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/nonpub/fire_safety_report.html)

**Item 12: Physical and Behavioral Indicators of Child Abuse and Maltreatment Training**

In Item 12, Physical and Behavioral Indicators of Child Abuse and Maltreatment Training, indicate ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ if your teachers have been trained.

If NO, indicate which month your school will be completing this training.

**Item 13: Person Completing Form**

In case of questions, the person actually completing the BEDS form must provide their contact information (Name, Title, Email Address and Phone Number). This does not have to be the superintendent or building principal.