



Aid to High Poverty Districts

Overview

Statute Reference

[Chapter 121.136](#) 

Funding

\$16,830,000 in 2017-18 and 2018-19 under appropriation [s.20.255\(2\)\(bb\)](#) 

Eligibility


A school district is eligible for aid if at least 50 percent (after rounding to the nearest whole percentage point) of the district's student enrollment on the third Friday in September in the immediately preceding even-numbered year satisfied the income eligibility criteria to be eligible for free or reduced-price lunch (i.e., economically disadvantaged).

School districts automatically receive this aid. No claim is necessary.

Aid Computation

Aid entitlement is calculated by dividing the total appropriation amount by the prior year aid membership of all eligible school districts to determine the per-pupil amount. The aid computation uses a calculated membership based on student (pupil) counts from WISEdata and general aid student membership (collected via the PI-1563 Membership Reports). This per pupil amount is then multiplied by each district's prior year aid membership to determine the payment amount.

Special Note

High Poverty Aid payments are not treated as an exemption to a district's revenue limit under [s. 121.91](#) , Wis. Stats. Rather, High Poverty Aid is required to reduce a district's maximum allowable levy, and in the case of Milwaukee, offset the General Aid reduction attributable to the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (private school vouchers). Additionally, due to the inclusion of the High Poverty Aid program in Subchapter II – General Aid of s. 121, Wis. Stats., these payments will be treated as general aid payments for purposes of calculating a district's shared costs in the computation of Equalization Aid.







Payment Details

4th Monday of March

WUFAR Coding

High Poverty Aid revenues are coded to Fund 10, Source 628.

Additional Resources

- [Aid eligibility for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years](#) 
- [Aid eligibility for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years](#) 
- [Aid eligibility for the 2013-14 and 2014-15 school years](#) 
- [Aid eligibility for the 2011-12 and 2012-13 school years](#) 
- [Aid eligibility for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 school years](#) 
- [Aid eligibility for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 school years](#) 

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