Georgia Department of Education-Sample Checklist



FTE Checklist

BACKGROUND

Why FTE?

The Quality Basic Education (QBE) Act requires local school systems to report student enrollment in terms of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) students. State funding for the operation of instructional programs is generated from FTE data.

- 1. Official enrollment count
- 2. Funding for schools

How is the Data Used?

- 3. Federal Child Count (Special Education compliance)
- 4. Georgia State Report Card

CHECKLIST

AUGUST

Complete Student Identity Data Updates and Verification	Verify accuracy in GUIDE; Claim Students as needed
Verify Student Demographic Data	Race, Ethnicity, DOB
Verify No Shows and Withdrawn Students are Coded Properly	Attendance Reports for Teachers to Verify
Verify Grade Level for Retained Students	
Verify Resident Status and System of Residency	
Identify Special Education Students – Verify information with Special Education Teachers (or District level contact)	GUIDE, SLDS, Special Education History Report, Student Record Cleansing, Permanent Records
Verify Student Schedules and Teacher Assignments	Students schedules should be correct and complete by the end of August
Verify course information for Dual Enrollment students	
Run Preliminary Reports	Attendance, Program Lists, Basic Demographic Data
Make Corrections as Needed	

SEPTEMBER

Verify Student Schedules and FTE Program Codes	Ensure accuracy for segments to be pulled
Verify Student Attendance Data	Prior Ten Days
Verify No Shows and Withdrawn Students are Coded Properly	Ensure students that are withdrawn are not reported as active in FTE
Verify the Identify and Updates for Special Education Students	Primary Area, segments, inclusion, transported, supplemental speech Hours Per Week, Related Services, IEP, Environment (Cycle 1 only)
Identify and Update EL Students	EL status, ESOL status, Itinerant and Non-Itinerant segments

Verify Students in Gifted Education, EIP, and REP	Courses, delivery models, segments, teacher information
Create report for Special Education to review Special Education Student Data	FTE Segments (Both Cycles) and Federal Child Count Data Verification (Cycle 1)
Create report for Gifted Education to review Schedules for Gifted Students	Verify segments
Create report for Other Programs to review Schedules for Students in those Programs	CTAE, EIP, REP, Alternative Education
Run Preliminary FTE Reports from within SIS System	Review segments, withdrawals, resident status, etc.
Finalize Corrections and Prepare for Data Extraction	Get corrections from program areas, teachers, etc.
Test File Extract Process	

OCTOBER

Make Final Updates in Preparation for FTE Date	
Cease Schedule Changes	
Extract and Upload FTE Data File	Point in Time Collection – Extract as of the Count Date
Review FTE Error Report	Organize errors and work to correct them.
Share Selected Reports with Teachers/Programs to Verify Data	FT024 – Gifted Students by Grade FT025 - Remedial Education Program By Grade FT026 – ESOL by Segments FT042 & FT043 – Special Education Enrollment FT055 – Enrollment in Early Intervention FT061 – English Learner FT070 – Students Enrolled in Dual Enrollment Programs
Resolve Identity Errors	FT032 – Duplicate Student ID
Verify the Segments and Services Reported by Each Student	FT044 – Student Summary Report for Active Students
Verify Enrollment, Demographic, Residence and Overall Counts	FT001 – Transmission Verification; FT002 – Enrollment by Grade FT006 – System of Residence Summary FT009 – 3 FTE Counts FT011 – Funded and Non-Funded Students FT012 – Non-Funded Student Details FT013 – Graduated Students FT015 – Withdrawn Students FT035 – No Show Students FT051 – EL by Primary Area and Race/Ethnicity FT068 – Homeless Students FT071 – International Exchange Students
Verify Special Education Reports that Feed Federal Child Count (Cycle 1 only)	FT017 – Special Education Child Count FT018 – Special Education Service by Disability FT019 – Special Education Related Services FT020 – Special Ed Environment-School Age Students FT027 – Special Ed Environment Early Childhood

	FT042 & FT043 – Special Education Enrollment by Race & Ethnicity FT087 – Enrollment by Disability
Verify Final FTE Segment Counts	FT100 – System Signoff Report
Internal Sign Off Process Completed	
Superintendent Signoff Completed	
Print Reports	Print a final copy of the reports if the school or districts desires to keep hard copies.

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JANUARY

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MARCH

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