

## **Step by Step Guide to Complete the 2021-22 Compliance Standard LEA Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Calculator for the Individual with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Program**

### **Verification of Previous Years Requirements Before Getting Started**

School Districts/State Agencies **MUST NOT** submit their 2021-22 LEA MOE Compliance Standard Calculator until all previous year's requirements have been approved by New York State Education Department (NYSED). If you have any questions/concerns if your district has not met all previous year's requirements, please send an e-mail to [idea@nysed.gov](mailto:idea@nysed.gov)

The reason for this rule is that the determination if a School District/State Agency meets the 2021-22 Compliance Standard is based on previous years data.

**TAB 4. Multi-Year Summary** – Cell B7 is a drop-down box. Please make sure this cell is set

The 2<sup>nd</sup> report to review is only needed if your district has any Parentally Placed Students who are not receiving Special Education Services. This information is included in Verification Report 5.

- Verification Report (VR) 5 – **School Age LRE Setting** – Must combine the total of the following two lines.
  1. Report 16A - Line 3 - Parentally placed in a nonpublic elementary school and NOT receiving publicly funded special education and related services
  2. Report 16B - Table 3 – Line 4 – Parentally Placed in Nonpublic School-Not Receiving Special Education Services.

If there are any Parentally Placed students in your district that are not receiving services those students **MUST NOT** be included in your Student with Disabilities Child Count. If your district has any student(s) in this category it was reported on Verification Report 5.

Document titled **2021-22 Students with Disabilities Child Count for Compliance Standard** is located on our website at [IDEA grant application guidance](#) under the Maintenance of Effort Heading. This document contains your districts/agencies reported SWD count minus any Parentally Placed Students not receiving Special Education Services for the 2021-22 year.

- 3) **TAB 8. 21-22 Amounts** - Please make sure to complete the information for **Compliance**. The Compliance information is in Columns H-M of the worksheet. The LEA must include **entesivi1-**

either the Local or State column. This issue was discussed with the State Aid Planning Unit at Questar III BOCES and a change was made to their guidance worksheet they provide.

### **Information that MAY be Completed**

**Important to complete this section if applicable because it can only benefit a district to meet the MOE requirement**

#### **Exceptions**

A school district/state agency may reduce its MOE obligation for expenditures if there is an allowable exception. Allowable exceptions are those due to a) voluntary or for-cause departure of special education staff, b) decrease in enrollment of IDEA-eligible children, c) termination of an exceptionally costly program for a particular child, under certain circumstances, d) termination of costly expenditures for long-term purchases.

Guidance on Exceptions is located on **Tab 2 (lines 282-359)** of the Calculator. NYS Education does not operate a high cost fund so Exception (e) is not applicable.

- 1) **TAB 10 21-22 Exc & Adj.** - If a district/\_28 (e)6 (n()-2 (is)1D(TJ 0 Tc5.89j 0.33 0 Td ( )Tj -0.00

