

**AYP Attendance Rate Calculation**

The AYP attendance rate is calculated using the same formula as the state indicator for attendance rate (please see the “State Indicators (Non-Test) – Attendance Rate” document for further clarification), with one exception. The AYP attendance rate calculation for districts includes only students in grades K-8, whereas the AYP attendance rate calculation for buildings includes students in grades K-12 (the district-level calculation for the state indicator for attendance rate includes students in grades K-12). The AYP attendance rate for 2010-2011 is calculated by dividing the total number of days that enrolled students are in attendance (referred to as aggregate attendance) by the total number of days that students are enrolled (referred to as aggregate membership) in a building or district during the 2010-2011 school year. Only those students who have been enrolled for a “full academic year” are included in the AYP attendance rate calculation.

For AYP purposes, the attendance rate component is evaluated for all districts and for buildings that do not have students in grades 10-12 inclusive. Only the “All Students” subgroup is evaluated for the **attendance rate component of AYP**; no other student subgroups are evaluated. However, attendance rate calculations for the other student subgroups are necessary because they are used in calculating whether AYP is met via Safe Harbor. If the number of students who have been enrolled in the applicable grades for a “full academic year” is less than 30, then the building or district’s attendance rate is not evaluated for AYP. In these cases, although the attendance rate calculations are shown in the AYP Workbooks, the building or district will receive an AYP determination of “NR” (“Not Rated”) for the attendance rate component.

The AYP attendance rate goal (also called AYP target) is 93.0%. There are three ways that a building or district can meet AYP for the attendance rate component:

1. By achieving an attendance rate that is at or above the AYP goal with the current year results;
2. By achieving an attendance rate that is at or above the AYP goal with the two-year combined results; or
3. By showing improvement in the attendance rate between the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years.

The following formula shows how the attendance rate is calculated:

<p><b>2010-2011 AYP Attendance Rate =</b></p>	<p>Aggregate Attendance (Total Attendance Days of Enrolled Students) for Relevant Grades (K-8 for Districts and K-12 for Buildings) during the 2010-2011 School Year</p> <hr style="width: 80%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p>Aggregate Membership (Total Attendance Days + Total Excused Absence Days + Total Unexcused Absence Days of Enrolled Students) for Relevant Grades (K-8 for Districts and K-12 for Buildings) during the 2010-2011 School Year</p>	<p><b>X 100</b></p>
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Aggregate Attendance: This is the total number of attendance days for all students in the relevant grades who were enrolled in the building or district for a “full academic year.” An “attendance day” is one during which an enrolled student is either actually attending school **or** is on expulsion or suspension status from school but is receiving instructional services from the district.

Aggregate Membership: This is the total number of all attendance days, all excused absence days, and all unexcused absence days for all students in the relevant grades who were enrolled in the building or district for a “full academic year.”



## AYP Non-Test Indicator Calculations

Returning Withdrawals: These are students reported as returning by October of the year immediately following the year they were counted as a dropout (Withdrawal Reason = 71, 72, 73, 74).

- 71 = Withdrew due to truancy/nonattendance
- 72 = Pursued employment/work permit (Superintendent Approval on file)
- 73 = Over 18 years of age
- 74 = Moved; not known to be continuing

High School Dropouts: These are students reported as dropouts (Withdrawal Reason = 71, 72, 73, 74, 75) from each high school grade level (9-12) for that graduating class.