Data Explanation for File *MTMOEquity_10_15_2021*

10/15/2021

The data provided on the tab titled *MTMOEquity_10_15_2021* covers items 1. through 8. on Appendix A of the FAQ sheet for MOEquity released on October 1, 2021, from the USED.

**Column A** – NCES - The NCES code for all 400 operating and non-operating LEA’s in the state of Montana FY2021. Currently, there are 397 operating and 3 non-operating districts in the state.

**Column B** – LEA – The state code for each public-school LEA in the state of Montana.

**Column C** – LEA Name – The state name for each public school in the state of Montana.

**Column D** – High Need – Satisfies item 1. from Appendix A where:

“Y” = yes, this LEA is identified as high needs in accordance with item 15. of the FAQ

“N” = no, this LEA is NOT identified as high needs in accordance with item 15. of the FAQ

**Column E** – Per/Pupil 2021 – Satisfies item 2. from Appendix A. The per-pupil amount as described in item 19(2)(b). of the FAQ. State funding includes the following Montana state components:

- **Direct State Aid** (Component determined, in part, through prior year enrollment (ANB) and a formulary BASE amount which is mainly non-enrollment based)
- **American Indian Achievement Gap** (Calculated based on self-identified Indian students)
- **At-Risk Student** (Based on the proportionality of Title I funding received by each LEA)
- **Data For Achievement** (A prior year enrollment (ANB) based distribution)
- **Indian Education For All** (A prior year enrollment (ANB) based distribution)
- **Quality Educator** (Calculated on the number of licensed FTE)
- **State Special Education Allowable Cost Payment** (Formulary allocation based on a mix of prior year enrollment (ANB) and reimbursements for LEA’s with disproportionately high special education expenditures. These disproportionate cost reimbursements have been removed)

The enrollment metric included is the budget limitation average number belonging (ANB) directed through Montana Code Annotated 20-9-311.

In situations where the LEA has been determined to be a “very small” school district the included components used in the calculation include the state-paid portion of the per-student entitlement (a portion of Direct State Aid), Indian Education for all and Data for Achievement.

Both the state support for schools and the enrollment data used in the calculation is state fiscal year 2021.
**Column F** - Per/Pupil 2022 - Satisfies item 3. from Appendix A. The per-pupil amount as described in item 19(2)(a). of the FAQ.

State funding includes the same components listed for column E above. All component values are formula determined for budgeting purposes for state FY 2022.

Both the state support for schools and the enrollment data used in the calculation is state fiscal year 2022.

**Column E Cell E:2 – Montana Statewide Per/Pupil 2021** – Satisfies item 4. from Appendix A. utilizing the same data set as that which is described above for **Column E**, aggregated to the state level.

**Column F Cell F:2 – Montana Statewide Per/Pupil 2022** – Satisfies item 5. from Appendix A. utilizing the same data set as that which is described above for **Column F**, aggregated to the state level.

**Column G** – High Poverty - High Poverty – Satisfies item 6. from Appendix A where:

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“Y” = yes, this LEA is identified as high poverty in accordance with item 15. of the FAQ
“N” = no, this LEA is NOT identified as high poverty in accordance with item 15.
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**Column H** – Per/Pupil 2019 - Satisfies item 7. from Appendix A. The per-pupil amount as described in item 20(1). of the FAQ. State funding includes the same components listed for column E above but uses FY 2019 data and utilizes the budget limitation ANB from FY 2019.

**Column I** - Per/Pupil 2022 - Satisfies item 8. from Appendix A. The per-pupil amount as described in item 20(2). of the FAQ. State funding includes the same components listed for column E above.

**Tab MOEquity2004(c)** - Satisfies item 9. from Appendix A. The data on this tab is a listing of high-poverty schools in each LEA in the state. Certain LEA’s, with the supported schools, have been omitted based on the provisions set forth in 2004(c)(2) or item 32 of the FAQ, these are:

1. LEA with a total enrollment of fewer than 1,000 students as reported in the Fall collection of enrollment FY2021.
2. The LEA operates a single school.
3. Serves all students within each grade span with a single school.

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