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FINAL December 1 Child Count - Wednesday, Feb. 24th

This is it! The FINAL December 1 Child Count will be picked up at the end of business, Wednesday, February 24th. Effective Thursday, February 25th, the *Student Approval* data will be locked for editing.

The focus for the next four (4) days should be completing the *Student Approval* data in I-Star. To ensure that all students receiving services on or before December 1 have an active 'Approved' *Student Approval* record, the following reports in I-Star should be reviewed:

- Student -> Errors-> Student Approval Errors Listing
- Student -> Approvals -> Approvals Reported for Child Count
- Student -> Approvals -> Child Count Snapshot by Resident District (This report will not change when corrections are made to the data. It will show the preliminary data picked up on February 19th.)

Our website, www.hbug.k12.il.us, is an excellent source of training and documentation related to the December 1 Child Count. Be sure to check it out!

For assistance with I-Star, contact Harrisburg Project at (800) 635-5274 or email us at support@hbug.k12.il.us.

Dates to Remember

February 24, 2021 - FINAL December 1 Child Count Snapshot Data Pickup

March 12-26, 2021 - Superintendents Certification Period in I-Star

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December 1 Child Count Certification

The December 1 Child Count Certification is expected to be available March 12-26, 2021. However, it is possible that it will open sooner, depending on the amount of time ISBE needs to review the data collected on February 24th. Be sure to watch for additional information regarding the child count certification in the coming weeks.

Who should certify the December 1 Child Count? The District Superintendent or a district authorized representative can complete the certification process. If you are a member of a cooperative, they WILL NOT complete this for you.

Please review the following training documentation so you are prepared to complete this process upon its availability:

[Child Count Certification in I-Star - Video](#)

[Child Count Certification in I-Star - PDF](#)

[Child Count Certification Instructions for Superintendents - PDF](#)

Customized training is available at your convenience. Click the following link to request an Individualized Training!!

[Customized Training - Register Now!](#)

Updates to I-Star

ISBE released updates to I-Star on Thursday, February 18th. To review the list of items included in this release, visit the [Recently Added](#) section of our website, www.hbug.k12.il.us.

Harrisburg Project trainings are now available with 'Closed Captioning'!

[Harrisburg Project Recorded Trainings - YouTube](#)