



# Harrisburg Project

## Software Support for Special Education

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## 2020-2021 Student Reimbursement Manual Now Available

ISBE has released the '2020-2021 Students with Disabilities Reimbursement Manual'. You can access this document, as well as the changes document, on our website [www.hbug.k12.il.us](http://www.hbug.k12.il.us) or at the following links:

[2020-2021 Students with Disabilities Reimbursement Manual](#)

[2020-2021 Students with Disabilities Reimbursement Manual - Changes Document](#)

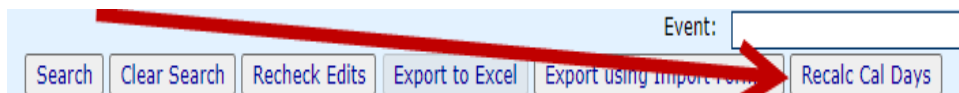
If you have not attended a claims training, check out "Hot Topics" on the website to view a recording and access notes.

## Public School Calendar Updates

Public school calendars are continuing to be updated to reflect Act of God and Emergency days. To verify that your district has submitted a finalized calendar for the 2020-2021 school year, click the following link:

[ISBE Public School Calendar Inquiry](#)

Once your district calendar is finalized you need to click the 'Recalc Cal Days' found on the 'Student Claims Filter' page:



The correct number of Enrolled/In Session days should be reflected on the *Student Claims* record once 'Recalc Cal Days' has been completed.

### Dates to Remember

June 30, 2021 - Fund Codes D, E, F Regular Term Student Approval Corrections Data Pickup

June 30, 2021 - Personnel Approval Data Pickup

July 5 - Office Closed in observance of Independence Day

July 30, 2021 - All Fund Approvals; Funds DEF Regular Term Claims Corrections; Personnel Approval Corrections Data Pickup



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

[Customized Training - Register Now!](#)

## Significant Disproportionality in I-Star

The Illinois State Board of Education is pleased to announce that beginning on June 16, authorized staff at school districts and special education cooperatives will have the ability to access their calculated data for Significant Disproportionality through I-STAR.

The first of two new interactive screens shows whether or not a Significant Disproportionality Determination is associated with a district or cooperative. The second interactive screen shows all detailed calculated data for the district (or all member districts in a cooperative).



### Significant Disproportionality Report

[Click here for the report \(opens a new tab\)](#)

## Personnel Approval Data DUE June 30, 2021

The 2020-2021 school year has come to a close, so it is important that your personnel data is up to date. All staff members that worked with special education students during the Regular term this school year should have a personnel record in I-Star.

Verify that all personnel employed on December 1, 2020 have the box checked on their approval record to reflect that. Any personnel that did not serve special education students in the school year 2020-2021 Regular term should be deleted. **DO NOT** delete a *Personnel Approval* record for staff members not returning in 2021-2022; this should be done **AFTER** *Start New Year* is completed by ISBE.

The deadline to have all personnel approvals entered into I-Star is June 30, 2021. There will be a correction period from July 1 - July 30 to make any necessary edits.

## End of Year Tasks in I-Star

Once you have completed the necessary *Student Claims* and *Personnel Approval* data entry for the 2020-2021 school year it is time to do some 'housekeeping' in your data before ISBE closes out the school year in I-Star.

This is just a short list of 'situations' that could be relevant in your district:

- Enter an *End Date* and *Exit Code* on the *Student Approval* record for graduates.
- Enter an *End Date* and *Exit Code* on the *Student Approval* record for students not returning in 2021-2022 school year.

## Event Registration

Are you in need of training for I-Star? The [Events](#) section on our website, [www.hbug.k12.il.us](http://www.hbug.k12.il.us), is the most up-to-date listing for on-line trainings.

Harrisburg Project website contains a wealth of knowledge for not only the experienced I-Star user but also new staff members. Be sure to check it out at [www.hbug.k12.il.us](http://www.hbug.k12.il.us)!