November 2022			Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction									
OPEN ENROLLMENT APPROVALS AND	DENIALS - SPECIAL EDUCATION AND N				DT SPECIAL EDUCATION - INCLUDING ALTEI				RNATIVE APPLICATIONS			
	SPED				NONSPED				TOTAL			
APPROVALS AND DENIALS	2015-16		2020-21	2021-22	2015-16	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2015-16	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Total Applications	6,027	5,854	5,919	5,761	35,091	34,110	38,345	35,793	41,118	39,964	44,264	41,554
% of Total Applications	14.66%	14.65%	13.37%	13.86%	85.34%	85.35%	86.63%	86.14%				
Nonresident Approved or Not Denied	3,557	3,688	3,876	3,474	25,664	27,016	32,057	30,801	29,221	30,704	35,933	34,275
% Approved	59.02%	63.00%	65.48%	60.30%	73.14%	79.20%	83.60%	86.05%	71.07%	76.83%	81.18%	82.48%
Nonresident Denied	2,470	2,166	2,043	2,287	9,427	7,094	6,288	4,992	11,897	9,260	8,331	7,279
% Denied	40.98%	37.00%	34.52%	39.70%	26.86%	20.80%	16.40%	13.95%	28.93%	23.17%	18.82%	17.52%
Resident Approved or Not Denied	5,576	5,806	5,876	5,737	34,953	33,925	38,129	35,697	40,529	39,731	44,005	41,434
% Approved	92.52%	99.18%	99.27%	99.58%	99.61%	99.46%	99.44%	99.73%	98.57%	99.42%	99.41%	99.71%
Resident Denied	451	48	43	24	138	185	216	96	589	233	259	120
% Denied	7.48%	0.82%	0.73%	0.42%	0.39%	0.54%	0.56%	0.27%	1.43%	0.58%	0.59%	0.29%
Approved by Nonresident & Resident	3,421	3,662	3,853	3,462	25,586	26,893	31,957	30,748	29,007	30,555	35,810	34,210
% Approved by Both	56.76%	62.56%	65.10%	60.09%	72.91%	78.84%	83.34%	85.91%	70.55%	76.46%	80.90%	82.33%
Denied by Either Nonresident or Resident	2,606	2,192	2,066	2,299	9,505	7,217	6,388	5,045	12,111	9,409	8,454	7,344
% Denied by Either	43.24%	37.44%	34.90%	39.91%	27.09%	21.16%	16.66%	14.09%	29.45%	23.54%	19.10%	17.67%
NONRESIDENT DISTRICT REASONS FOR DENIAL	SPED				NONSPED				TOTAL			
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		2019-20		2021-22	2015-16	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2015-16	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
NONSPED Reasons Only	1,107	774	627	622	9,427	7,094	6,288	4,992	10,534	7,868	6,915	5,614
% Denied NONSPED Reasons	44.82%	35.73%	30.69%	27.20%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	88.54%	84.97%	83.00%	77.13%
SPED Reasons Only	1,022	1,186	1,263	1,541	0	0	•	0	1,022	1,186	1,263	1,541
% Denied SPED Reasons Only	41.38%	54.76%	61.82%	67.38%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	8.59%	12.81%	15.16%	21.17%
SPED and NONSPED Reasons	341	206	153	124	0	0	0	0	044	001		124
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% Denied SPED and NONSPED Reasons	13.81%	9.51%	7.49%	5.42%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.87%	206	153 1.84%	1.70%
Specific Reasons for Denial					-	•	0.00%	0.00%	2.87%	2.22%	1.84%	1.70%
Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available	1,226	1,199	1,167	1,426	0.00%	•	0.00%	0	-	2.22% 1,199	1.84% 1,167	1.70% 1,426
Specific Reasons for Denial	1,226 116	1,199 139		1,426 200	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.87% 1,226 116	2.22% 1,199 139	1.84% 1,167 189	1.70%
Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available	1,226 116 28	1,199 139 64	1,167 189 64	1,426 200 41	0.00% 0 0 0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00% 0 0 0 0	2.87% 1,226 116 28	2.22% 1,199 139 64	1.84% 1,167 189 64	1.70% 1,426 200 41
Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available SPED Services Not Available Referred for Special Education Evaluation Regular Ed Space Is Not Available	1,226 116 28 1,258	1,199 139 64 683	1,167 189 64 685	1,426 200 41 556	0.00% 0 0 0 8,597	0.00% 0 0 0 6,034	0.00% 0 0 0 5,808	0.00% 0 0 0 4,317	2.87% 1,226 116 28 9,855	2.22% 1,199 139 64 6,717	1.84% 1,167 189 64 6,493	1.70% 1,426 200 41 4,873
Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available SPED Services Not Available Referred for Special Education Evaluation Regular Ed Space Is Not Available Expelled or Habitual Truant	1,226 116 28	1,199 139 64 683 63	1,167 189 64 685 29	1,426 200 41	0.00% 0 0 8,597 154	0.00% 0 0 0 6,034 275	0.00% 0 0 0 5,808 108	0.00% 0 0 0 4,317 167	2.87% 1,226 116 28 9,855 207	2.22% 1,199 139 64 6,717 338	1.84% 1,167 189 64 6,493 137	1.70% 1,426 200 41 4,873 205
Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available SPED Services Not Available Referred for Special Education Evaluation Regular Ed Space Is Not Available	1,226 116 28 1,258	1,199 139 64 683 63 10	1,167 189 64 685	1,426 200 41 556 38 3	0.00% 0 0 0 8,597	0.00% 0 0 0 6,034	0.00% 0 0 0 5,808	0.00% 0 0 0 4,317	2.87% 1,226 116 28 9,855	2.22% 1,199 139 64 6,717	1.84% 1,167 189 64 6,493	1.70% 1,426 200 41 4,873 205 43
Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available SPED Services Not Available Referred for Special Education Evaluation Regular Ed Space Is Not Available Expelled or Habitual Truant 4K Not Offered in Resident District Other (Late, Incomplete, Too Old, Too Young)	1,226 116 28 1,258 53 8 8 56	1,199 139 64 683 63 10 145	1,167 189 64 685 29 7 25	1,426 200 41 556 38 3 27	0.00% 0 0 8,597 154 132 197	0.00% 0 0 6,034 275 81 482	0.00% 0 0 5,808 108 84 144	0.00% 0 0 4,317 167 40 132	2.87% 1,226 116 28 9,855 207 140 253	2.22% 1,199 64 6,717 338 91 627	1.84% 1,167 189 64 6,493 137 91 169	1.70% 1,426 200 41 4,873 205 43 159
Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available SPED Services Not Available Referred for Special Education Evaluation Regular Ed Space Is Not Available Expelled or Habitual Truant 4K Not Offered in Resident District	1,226 116 28 1,258 53 8	1,199 139 64 683 63 10	1,167 189 64 685 29 7	1,426 200 41 556 38 3	0.00% 0 0 8,597 154 132	0.00% 0 0 6,034 275 81	0.00% 0 0 5,808 108 84	0.00% 0 0 4,317 167 40	2.87% 1,226 116 28 9,855 207 140	2.22% 1,199 139 64 6,717 338 91	1.84% 1,167 189 64 6,493 137 91	1.70% 1,426 200 41 4,873 205 43
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Specific Reasons for Denial SPED Space Is Not Available SPED Services Not Available Referred for Special Education Evaluation Regular Ed Space Is Not Available Expelled or Habitual Truant 4K Not Offered in Resident District Other (Late, Incomplete, Too Old, Too Young) Not in Best Interest or Criteria Do Not Apply (Alt Apps) RESIDENT DISTRICT REASONS FOR DENIAL Undue Financial Burden	1,226 116 28 1,258 53 8 56 90 2015-16 408	1,199 139 64 683 63 10 145 86 2019-20 0	1,167 189 64 685 29 7 25 38 PED 2020-21 0	1,426 200 41 556 38 3 27 124	0.00% 0 0 8,597 154 132 197 374 2015-16 0	0.00% 0 0 6,034 275 81 482 258 NON 2019-20 0	0.00% 0 0 5,808 108 84 144 155 SPED 2020-21 0	0.00% 0 0 4,317 167 40 132 359 2021-22 0	2.87% 1,226 116 28 9,855 207 140 253 464 2015-16 408	2.22% 1,199 64 6,717 338 91 627 344 TOT 2019-20 0	1.84% 1,167 189 64 6,493 137 91 169 193 FAL 2020-21 0	1.70% 1,426 200 41 4,873 205 43 159 483 2021-22 0

NOTE: A "SPED" application is one which the parent answered "yes" to one or more of three questions on the open enrollment application (does the child have an IEP, is the child receiving special education or has the child been referred for a special education evaluation) or one that was denied for a special education reason even though the parent responded "no" to all three questions or did not respond.

*Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, "undue financial burden" was no longer a resident district reason for denial under Wis. Stat. 118.51. Also beginning in the 2016-17 school year, an open enrollment aid amount for students with disabilities was created under Wis. Stat. 118.51(17). 2015-16 data is provided as a comparison to the data collected after the law change.