October 2023							Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction						
OPEN ENROLLMENT APPROVALS AND DENIALS - SPECIAL EDUCATION					SPECIAL EDUCATION - INCLUDING ALTER				NATIVE APPLICATIONS				
APPROVALS AND DENIALS	SPED				NONSPED				TOTAL				
	2015-16	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2015-16	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2015-16	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	
Total Applications	6,027	5,919	5,761	6,223	35,091	38,345	35,793	35,019	41,118	44,264	41,554	41,242	
% of Total Applications	14.66%	13.37%	13.86%	15.09%	85.34%	86.63%	86.14%	84.91%					
Nonresident Approved or Not Denied	3,557	3,876	3,474	3,624	25,664	32,057	30,801	28,400	29,221	35,933	34,275	32,024	
% Approved	59.02%	65.48%	60.30%	58.24%	73.14%	83.60%	86.05%	81.10%	71.07%	81.18%	82.48%	77.65%	
Nonresident Denied	2,470	2,043	2,287	2,599	9,427	6,288	4,992	6,619	11,897	8,331	7,279	9,218	
% Denied	40.98%	34.52%	39.70%	41.76%	26.86%	16.40%	13.95%	18.90%	28.93%	18.82%	17.52%	22.35%	
Resident Approved or Not Denied	5,576	5,876	5,737	6,182	34,953	38,129	35,697	34,814	40,529	44,005	41,434	40,996	
% Approved	92.52%	99.27%	99.58%	99.34%	99.61%	99.44%	99.73%	99.41%	98.57%	99.41%	99.71%	99.40%	
Resident Denied	451	43	24	41	138	216	96	205	589	259	120	246	
% Denied	7.48%	0.73%	0.42%	0.66%	0.39%	0.56%	0.27%	0.59%	1.43%	0.59%	0.29%	0.60%	
Approved by Nonresident & Resident	3,421	3,853	3,462	3,612	25,586	31,957	30,748	28,342	29,007	35,810	34,210	31,954	
% Approved by Both	56.76%	65.10%	60.09%	58.04%	72.91%	83.34%	85.91%	80.93%	70.55%	80.90%	82.33%	77.48%	
Denied by Either Nonresident or Resident	2,606	2,066	2,299	2,611	9,505	6,388	5,045	6,677	12,111	8,454	7,344	9,288	
% Denied by Either	43.24%	34.90%	39.91%	41.96%	27.09%	16.66%	14.09%	19.07%	29.45%	19.10%	17.67%	22.52%	
NONRESIDENT DISTRICT REASONS FOR DENIAL	SPED				NONSPED				TOTAL				
	2045 47	-	2021-22	2022-23	2045 47			2022.22	2045 4/			2022.22	
		2020-21	-		2015-16	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2015-16	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	
NONSPED Reasons Only	1,107	627	622	556	9,427	6,288	4,992	6,619	10,534	6,915	5,614	7,175	
% Denied NONSPED Reasons	44.82%	30.69%	27.20%	21.39%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	88.54%	83.00%	77.13%	77.84%	
SPED Reasons Only	1,022	1,263	1,541	1,873	0	0		0	1,022	1,263	1,541	1,873	
% Denied SPED Reasons Only	41.38%	61.82%	67.38%	72.07%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	8.59%	15.16%	21.17%	20.32%	
SPED and NONSPED Reasons	341	153	124	170	0	0	•	0	341	153	124	170	
% Denied SPED and NONSPED Reasons	13.81%	7.49%	5.42%	6.54%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.87%	1.84%	1.70%	1.84%	
Specific Reasons for Denial													
SPED Space Is Not Available	1,226	1,167	1,426	1,800	0	0	÷	0	1,226	1,167	1,426	1,800	
SPED Services Not Available	116	189	200	211	0	0	-	0	116	189	200	211	
Referred for Special Education Evaluation	28	64	41	42	0	0	v	0	28	64	41	42	
Regular Ed Space Is Not Available	1,258	685	556	551	8,597	5,808	4,317	5,812	9,855	6,493	4,873	6,363	
											205	202	
Expelled or Habitual Truant	53	29	38	55		108	167	237	207	137		292	
4K Not Offered in Resident District	8	7	3	10	132	84	40	45	140	91	43	55	
4K Not Offered in Resident District Other (Late, Incomplete, Too Old, Too Young)	8 56	7 25	3 27	10 19	132 197	84 144	40 132	45 186	140 253	91 169	43 159	55 205	
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4K Not Offered in Resident District Other (Late, Incomplete, Too Old, Too Young) Not in Best Interest or Criteria Do Not Apply (Alt Apps)	8 56	7 25 38	3 27 124	10 19	132 197	84 144 155	40 132 359	45 186	140 253	91 169 193	43 159 483	55 205	
4K Not Offered in Resident District Other (Late, Incomplete, Too Old, Too Young)	8 56 90	7 25 38	3 27	10 19	132 197	84 144	40 132 359	45 186	140 253	91 169	43 159 483	55 205	
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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.