

MILWAUKEE PARENTAL CHOICE PROGRAM (MPCP)

MPCP Facts and Figures for 2000-2001

As of November 2001

In January 2001 there were 100 private schools participating in the MPCP, with a total enrollment of 9,619 students in the program. Table 1 and Table 2 provide the total number of students in the MPCP by where (and if) they were enrolled at school in 1999-2000. The number of students listed in the table is reported by headcount and full-time equivalent (FTE). For example, a four-year-old kindergarten student may be counted as 0.5 or 0.6 FTE.

TABLE 1

2000-2001 MPCP Students' Prior Year Enrollments 3rd Friday in September 2000

<u>1999-2000 Enrollment</u>	3rd Friday in September 2000			
	<u>Headcount</u>	<u>% of Headcount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>% of FTE</u>
Enrolled in MPS	1,926	20.0%	1,912.7	21.0%
Participated in MPCP	5,774	60.0%	5,756.7	63.2%
Enrolled in a Private School, not in MPCP	304	3.2%	299.1	3.3%
Not Enrolled in School Anywhere	1,502	15.6%	1,023	11.3%
Qualified under 1995 Grandfather Clause	113	1.2%	112	1.2%
Total Students	9,619	100%	9,103.5	100%

TABLE 2

2000-2001 MPCP Students' Prior Year Enrollments 2nd Friday in January 2001

<u>1999-2000 Enrollment</u>	2nd Friday in January 2001			
	<u>Headcount</u>	<u>% of Headcount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>% of FTE</u>
Enrolled in MPS	1,988	20.7%	1,975.6	21.7%
Participated in MPCP	5,678	59.0%	5,660.2	62.2%
Enrolled in a Private School, not in MPCP	318	3.3%	313.5	3.4%
Not Enrolled in School Anywhere	1,524	15.8%	1,038.8	11.4%
Qualified under 1995 Grandfather Clause	120	1.2%	119.0	1.3%
Total Students	9,628	100%	9,107.1	100%

In the 2000-2001 school year, the MPCP state aid for a student enrolled full-time in the MPCP is \$5,326 or the private school's operating and debt service cost per student, whichever is less. The MPCP state aid amount increases over the prior year's amount by the statewide per pupil increase allowed under the revenue limits imposed upon public school districts. Therefore, the 2000-2001 MPCP state aid amount is the 1999-2000 amount of \$5,106 per student increased by \$220 to equal \$5,326 per FTE student. The operating and debt service cost per student at the school is determined by an independent auditor in a report due to the DPI by September 1 after the school year. The school's costs per student determined in that audit will be compared to the MPCP state aid amount and, if less, the school will owe the difference back to the state.

The amount needed to fund the MPCP is funded 50% from a reduction in state general aid to MPS and 50% from a reduction in state general aid to the other 425 public school districts in the state. Based on a total FTE count of 9,238 in the MPCP (average of 9,103.5 FTE September count with 9,107.1 FTE January count and 133.0 FTE summer school count added), MPCP state aid payments totaled \$49.2 million in 2000-01. MPS and other school districts can replace that lost state aid with local property tax levy under the revenue limits.

Table 3 shows the MPCP enrollment by grade level for the 3rd Friday in September and 2nd Friday in January 2000-01 count dates.

TABLE 3

MPCP 2000-2001 Enrollment by Grade Level*

<u>Grade Level</u>	3rd Friday in September		2nd Friday in January	
	<u>Headcount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Headcount</u>	<u>FTE</u>
4 Year-Old Kindergarten	1,119	617.9	1,131	622.5
5 Year-Old Kindergarten	1,162	1,147.6	1,174	1,161.6
1st Grade	1,104	1,104	1,075	1,075
2nd Grade	993	993	994	994
3rd Grade	963	963	963	963
4th Grade	767	767	763	763
5th Grade	763	763	765	765
6th Grade	710	710	720	720
7th Grade	633	633	635	635
8th Grade	521	521	514	514
9th Grade	405	405	418	418
10th Grade	244	244	247	247
11th Grade	154	154	154	154
12th Grade	81	81	75	75
Totals	9,619	9,103.5	9,628	9,107.1

*These are unaudited numbers.