

# 2R Charter Schools *IDEA* Entitlement Allocations

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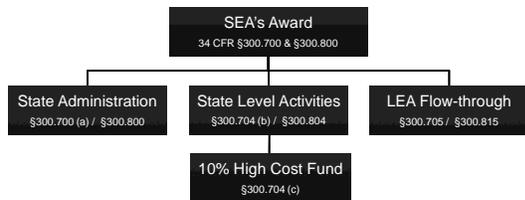
## IDEA Flow-through & Preschool Entitlement Grants

- Funds under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act are provided to school districts on an entitlement (non-competitive) basis for programs and services to children with disabilities.
  - "Flow-through" provides funds for special education services to children ages 3-21.
  - "Preschool Entitlement" provides funds for special education services to children with disabilities ages 3-5.

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## Distribution of IDEA Part B Funds

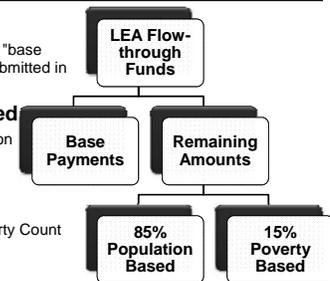


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## Distribution of LEA funds

- **Base payments**
  - Each district generates a "base amount" equal to data submitted in 1999 (FT) and 1997 (PS)
- **85% Population Based**
  - LEAs submit enrollment on the third Friday of September (ISES data)
- **15% Poverty Based**
  - DPI uses the Title I Poverty Count



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## 2R Charter School IDEA Calculations

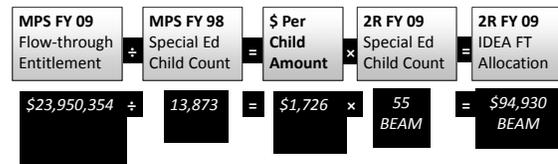
- Prior to FY 2010, the calculation used for 2R Charter Schools was not the same used for all other Wisconsin LEAs
- Final rules require DPI to distribute funds to 2R Charter Schools the same as all other Wisconsin LEAs
- New calculation will be used FY 2010 forward

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## Former 2R Charter Calculation

- Funding previously based on Special Education Child Count



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## Shortfalls of the current allocation calculation

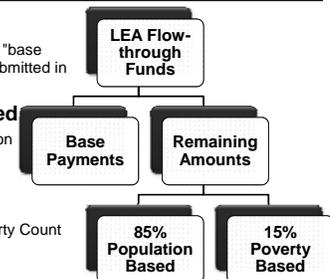
- Based on special education child counts, which are not finalized until the end of January of a given fiscal year.
- Allocations were based on estimates for a majority of the fiscal year.
- 2R charter schools could not plan on a consistent allocation amount from year to year.

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## Calculation for 2R Charter Schools

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## 2R Charter – New Calculation

■ **STEP 1 – Determining Special Education Child Count**

MPS Oct. 1, 2008, Special Ed Child Count (including parentally placed private school children)	+	Milwaukee 2R Charter Schools Oct. 1, 2008, Special Education Child Count	=	Total MPS/ Milwaukee 2R Charter Oct. 1, 2008, Special Education Child Count
15,742		575		16,317

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MPS/2R charters

## 2R Charter – New Calculation

■ **STEP 2 – Determining a Milwaukee 2R charter school's child count percentage of the whole**

Milwaukee 2R Charter School October 1, 2008, Special Education Child Count	÷	Total MPS/ Milwaukee 2R Charter Special Education Child Count	=	% of individual Milwaukee 2R Charter School's Special Ed Count
55 <i>BEAM</i>		16,317 <i>MPS/2R</i>		.34% <i>BEAM</i>

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MPS/2R charters

## 2R Charter – New Calculation

■ **STEP 3 – Determining a Milwaukee's 2R charter school's Base Payment Amount (used in FY10 forward)**

% of individual Milwaukee 2R Charter School's Special Ed Count	×	Milwaukee's 1998 IDEA Base Payment Amount	=	Individual Milwaukee 2R Charter School's IDEA Base Payment Amount
.34% <i>BEAM</i>		\$7,194,597 <i>MPS</i>		\$24,251

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## 2R Charter Calculation

Base Pay Amount	+	85% Enrollment	+	15% Poverty Count	=	2R Charter School Allocation
As determined slides <b>\$24,251</b>		2R charter schools enrollment on the third Friday of September <b>\$68,110</b>		Title I establishes poverty count for Milwaukee & Racine 2R charter schools <b>\$38,117</b>		<b>\$130,478</b>

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## SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- Establishment of a new 2R Charter School
  - Allocation established within five months from operation start
  - Will not affect the allocations for established 2R charter schools during the fiscal year of the start up
  - Base pay amounts will be adjusted the following year for all existing 2R charters

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## SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- Closing of a 2R Charter School
  - Will not affect the allocations for established 2R charter schools during the fiscal year the school closes
  - Base pay amounts will be adjusted the following year for all existing 2R charters

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## SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- Significant increases in enrollment or poverty count
  - Adjustments will be made in January
  - Utilize the ESEA significant increase calculation
    - 20% increase with student populations over 100;
    - Increase of 20 students with student populations under 100

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## Early Childhood Circumstances

- Prior to FY 2010, if a 2R charter school that normally served 3 to 5 year olds were serving not children with disabilities in that age group, preschool allocation was reduced to 0

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## Early Childhood Circumstances

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- With fiscal year 2009-10, all 2R charter schools that serve this age group will receive an allocation regardless of number of children with disabilities enrolled.
  - Funds may be spent on child find activities

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## Allocation Spreadsheets

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- The IDEA allocation spreadsheets are located at:

### Flowthrough

- [http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/grt\\_flow.html](http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/grt_flow.html)

### Preschool

- [http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/grt\\_pren.html](http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/grt_pren.html)

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