



Indiana Department of Education  
2019 Legislative Priority

**Extend Indiana's kindergarten average daily membership count date to November 1**

During the 2018 legislative session, House Enrolled Act 1001 included a provision to fix shortfalls for school funding. Additionally, this bill placed parameters around funding for any student entering kindergarten who is not five years old by August 1 of that year. The Indiana Department of Education will advocate to amend this provision and extend Indiana's kindergarten average daily membership count date to November 1.

**Quick Facts**

- ❑ The intended amendment could affect:
  - ❑ 2,170 children born between August 1 and November 1; or
  - ❑ 2,044 children born between August 1 and October 1.
- ❑ Of the 84,335 kindergarten students for SY 2017-2018, 737 students were four years old and in kindergarten by September 15, 2017. Of those, 502 (68%) were retained in kindergarten the following year.
- ❑ Of the 737 students for SY 2017/2018, 186 (25%) moved on to first grade, and 49 (7%) were no longer enrolled in an Indiana school.