

## MEMORANDUM

To: Indiana State Board of Education  
From: Dr. Pamela Wright, Director of Special Education  
Date: January 25, 2016  
Re: Special Education Child Count

Indiana Code 20-43-4-4 provides that the State Board shall monitor changes that occur in the number of students enrolled in programs for students with disabilities. The State Superintendent shall certify the December special education child count to the State Budget Committee no later than February 5.

Included with this memo is a chart providing information on the unduplicated special education child count taken from the DOE-SE and DOE-SV data reported on December 1, 2015, and a comparison to the count taken on December 1, 2014.

**CHILD COUNT COMPARISONS (DECEMBER 1, 2014 AND DECEMBER 1, 2015)  
(DOE-SE AND DOE-EV)  
AGES 5B-22**

<b>UNDULICATED STATE TOTALS (AGES 5B-22) DEC 1 DOE-SE and DOE-SV CHILD COUNTS</b>			
<b>Exceptionality Category</b>	<b>2014 Count</b>	<b>2015 Count</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Multiple Disability	2,085	2098	13
Orthopedic Impairment	1,463	1466	3
Blind or Low Vision	995	980	-15
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	2,196	2193	-3
Emotional Disability – FT	6,352	6488	136
Emotional Disability - All Other	6,394	6237	-157
Specific Learning Disability	54,788	54739	-49
Language/Speech Impairment	34,730	34217	-513
Mild Cognitive Disability	10,700	10361	-339
Moderate Cognitive Disability	3,712	3701	-11
Severe Cognitive Disability	455	417	-38
Deaf Blind	26	26	0
Autism Spectrum Disorder	14,179	14706	527
Traumatic Brain Injury	460	453	-7
Other Health Impairment	19,727	21119	1,392
<b>Total Unduplicated Count</b>	<b>158,262</b>	<b>159,201</b>	<b>939</b>

**PRESCHOOL COMPARISONS (DECEMBER 1, 2014 AND DECEMBER 1, 2015)**  
**(DOE-SE)**  
**AGES 3-5A**

STATE TOTAL (AGES 3-5A) PRE-SCHOOL DECEMBER 1 DOE-SE CHILD COUNT			
	2014 Count	2015 Count	Difference
Total Preschool Count	12,613	12,658	45