



MEMORANDUM

TO: LEA Leadership

VIA: Karen Field Rogers *KFR*
Deputy Secretary of Education

FROM: Adrian L. Peoples, Ed.D. *AP*
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DATE: June 19, 2017

SUBJECT: Updated LEA Determination Memo Language

In May 2017, you received your LEA Determination under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Unfortunately after the release of the data, we discovered that students who took the DCAS-Alt1 assessment were not included in the student-level data supporting the determination. This caused a misalignment between the aggregate results shown on the determination and the student-level data sets that make up those aggregates. This issue affected only Indicators 3b (Participation) and 3c (Performance). After researching and correcting the source of the issue, we found that your LEA's determination has not changed. However to be thorough, we felt it necessary to recalculate all LEA Determinations statewide.

The Exceptional Children Resources, Office of Assessment, and Data Management and Governance workgroups have worked diligently to ensure that the aggregate data shown in your LEA determination map 100% to students shown as being attributed to your LEA in the official testing data reflected in DSARA.

We have updated our processes to ensure this issue will not happen again. We recognize that these data are important as you use them in your reflection and planning. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you.

For any questions regarding your updated LEA Determination, please contact Maryann Mieczkowski via email at maryann.mieczkowski@doe.k12.de.us or by phone at 302-735-4211. For data questions, please contact Adrian Peoples at adrian.peoples@doe.k12.de.us.