

## The Role of the “Adjusted Student Count” in School Funding

The adjusted student count of each school is the root of state funding for school districts. The number of students enrolled in a school is increased or decreased according to the formula in AS 14.17.450, to determine the school’s adjusted student count. That adjusted student count is then multiplied by the district cost factor, the special needs factor and, finally, by the base student allocation, to determine the amount of funding.

<b>Student Count</b> (school enrollment)		<i>Becomes</i>					<b>Adjusted Student Count</b>	<i>Equals</i>	<b>Student Rate</b> (per-student adjustment)
<u>At least</u>	<u>But less than</u>	<u>Base</u>	plus (	<u>Multiplier</u>	times	<u>Students in Excess of Column 1)</u>			
10 students to 20 students		39.6	+	0			10 students = 39.6 adjusted student count	=	3.96 per student
							19 students = 39.6 adjusted student count	=	2.08 per student
20 students to 30 students		39.6	+	(1.62	x	students over 20)	20 students = 39.6 adjusted student count	=	1.98 per student
							29 students = 54.18 adjusted student count	=	1.87 per student
30 students to 75 students		55.8	+	(1.49	x	students over 30)	30 students = 55.8 adjusted student count	=	1.86 per student
							74 students = 121.36 adjusted student count	=	1.64 per student
75 students to 150 students		122.85	+	(1.27	x	students over 75)	75 students = 122.85 adjusted student count	=	1.64 per student
							149 students = 216.83 adjusted student count	=	1.46 per student
150 students to 250 students		218.1	+	(1.08	x	students over 150)	150 students = 218.1 adjusted student count	=	1.45 per student
							249 students = 325.02 adjusted student count	=	1.31 per student
250 students to 400 students		326.1	+	(0.97	x	students over 250)	250 students = 326.1 adjusted student count	=	1.30 per student
							399 students = 470.63 adjusted student count	=	1.18 per student
400 students to 750 students		471.6	+	(0.92	x	students over 400)	400 students = 471.6 adjusted student count	=	1.18 per student
							749 students = 792.68 adjusted student count	=	1.06 per student
750 or more students		793.6	+	(0.84	x	students over 750).	750 students = 793.6 adjusted student count	=	1.06 per student
							1,000 students = 1003.6 adjusted student count	=	1.00 per student

# Example Adjusted Student Count Calculations

**Student Count**  
(school enrollment)

**Adjusted Student Count**

	<u>Base</u>	plus	Multiplier	times	Students in Excess of bottom of the bracket			
100 students in neighborhood school	122.85	+	1.27 multiplier	X	$100 - 75 = 25$		$1.27 \times 25 = 31.75$	$122.85 + 31.75 = \mathbf{154.6}$
*100 students in Anc/Fbnks/Jun/ charter school	No base	+	.84 multiplier for district's largest school	X	all 100 students		$.84 \times 100 = 84$	$0 + 84 = \mathbf{84}$

*\*Charter schools with enrollments under 150 students do not go through the adjusted student count formula as individual schools. Instead, their students are added to the enrollment of the largest school in their district. Therefore, the adjusted student count of these charter schools is based on just the "multiplier" for additional students at large schools.*