

Acronyms and Terms Used In Financial & Business Services

ADA

Average Daily Attendance, total number of days of attendance for all students divided by the total number of school days in a given period.

ADM

Average Daily Membership, the number of days a student is in membership at a school divided by the number of days in a school month or school year.

AFR

Annual Financial Report, published as statistical data, includes per pupil spending.

ARRA

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

BUD

Budget Utilization and Development, software package provided by DPI and used by LEAs to administer their budgets, also used by charter schools to enter federal budgets.

CEDARS

North Carolina's PreK-13 State Longitudinal Data System (SLDS).

COA

Uniform Chart of Accounts.

DPI or NCDPI

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. DPI administers the policies adopted by the State Board of Education (SBE) and offers instructional, financial, technological and personnel support to all public school systems in the state.

Datafile

Generic term for UERS data files.

DSSF

Disadvantaged Student Supplemental Funding.

EDDIE

Educational Directory and Demographical Information Exchange. The authoritative source for NC school information and school numbers, EDDIE feeds multiple systems including; Accountability, NC WISE, NC School Report Cards, and is used to meet federal reporting requirements.

ERaCA

Expenditure Reimbursement and Cash Application. The web based system used to reimburse entities that are not LEAs or charter schools for expenditures incurred against federal grants.

FBS

Financial and Business Services.

FRL

Free and Reduced Lunch.

FTE

Full Time Equivalent.

GDVS

Graduate Data Verification System.

GRS

Grade, Race and Sex data collected from each school at the end of the first school month.

ISIS

Benchmark payroll and accounts payable software provided to charter schools by DPI to meet UERS requirements.

LEA

Local Education Agency. Indicates that a public board of education or other public authority maintains administrative control of the public schools in a city or county. Synonymous with local school system.

MLD

Membership Last Day, the number of students remaining in membership as of the last day of the school month or academic year.

MFR

Monthly Financial Report.

NBPTS

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

NC WISE

North Carolina Window of Information on Student Education. This secure Web-based tool provides educators with direct and immediate access to a full spectrum of data on a student's entire career in the North Carolina public school system.

NCID

NCID is the standard identity management and access service provided to state, local, business and citizen users by the Office of Information Technology Services. <https://ncid.nc.gov/>

NCLB

No Child Left Behind.

NCVPS

North Carolina Virtual Public School. www.ncvps.org/

OCS

Office of Charter Schools.

OSBM

Office of State Budget and Management.

PMR

Principal's Monthly Report.

PPAR

Professional Personnel Activity Report. See SAR.

PPE

Per Pupil Expenditure.

PRC

Program Report Code. Charter school's state PRC is 036. Each federal grant has its own PRC.

RIF

Reduction in Force.

RttT

Race to the Top.

SAR

School Activity Report. The SAR shows an individual school's full year academic schedule, courses offered, enrollment of classes, length of classes, and staffing of classes. When a school is operating with multiple school calendars that have different numbers of school days, the data has to be submitted via Professional Personnel Activity Report (PPAR) forms.

SBE

State Board of Education. The State Board of Education is charged with supervising and administering "the free public school system and the education funds provided for its support." The Board consists of the Lieutenant Governor, the Treasurer, and 11 members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the General Assembly in Joint Session.

SBS

School Business Services, a division of FBS.

School Month

20 school days.

School Year

July 1st through June 30th .

SFSF

State Fiscal Stabilization Funds.

Title I A

Federal funding program for schools to help students who are behind academically or at risk of falling behind. Funding is based on the number of low-income children in a school, generally those eligible for the free lunch program. Title I money supplements state and district funds.

Title III

Title III is the section of No Child Left Behind that provides funding and addresses English language acquisition and standards and accountability requirements for limited English proficient students.

Title IX

Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 bans sex discrimination in schools receiving federal funds, whether it is in academics or athletics.

UERS

Uniform Education Reporting System. Law that requires LEAs and charter schools to submit data in a specific format. Applies to all data, not just financial data.

UID

Unique ID, assigns a unique NC WISE ID to every Student who participates in the North Carolina public school system. www.ncpublicschools.org/cedars/uniqueid/student/

Zero-out

Process by which excess state or federal cash, held at the end of the month, is taken back by the state.