

NFAY FAQ's

When is a student considered to be NFAY (Not Full Academic Year)?

- ❖ Students are considered NFAY for a test if they are not enrolled in school on Oct. 1 or if they have a lapse of enrollment of 10 or more consecutive instructional school days between Oct. 1 and the day the test is taken.

How do you measure a lapse of enrollment?

- ❖ The lapse of enrollment is the number of instructional (school) days a student misses between the time he or she exits a school and the time the student re-enters the school. The day the student exits/enters does not count as part of the lapse as the date received by the Wave for an exit is inclusive of the day of membership itself.

What is the difference between NFAY school, district and state?

- ❖ A student can be NFAY at the school, district, or state level.
- ❖ A student is NFAY for a school if the student meets the NFAY definition based on enrollment in that school, but does not meet it when considering all enrollments in the same district. The student is not included in accountability reports for that school, but is included in reports for the district and the state.
- ❖ A student is NFAY for a district if the student meets the NFAY definition based on enrollment in that district, but does not meet it when considering all enrollments across the state. The student is not included in accountability reports for the district or any school within that district, but is included in reports for the state.
- ❖ A student is NFAY for the state if the student meets the NFAY definition based on enrollment anywhere in the state. The student is not included in any accountability reports.

What does it mean if my student's record shows insufficient NFAY data during the correction period?

- ❖ NFAY status is determined using enrollment records provided to the WAVE from the school. NFAY – insufficient data means that enrollment records do not exist for the school and Student Testing Number identified on the test record. This typically indicates either an incorrect Student Testing Number or school id number

on the test record or an error in the enrollment records submitted to the WAVE. Any test records marked as “NFAY – insufficient data” that are not corrected during the correction window will default to NFAY State.

What determines NFAY status?

- ❖ NFAY status is determined by records submitted to the WAVE by the school. The Records used include Enrollment records (Entry and Exit Date) and Calendar Date records which provide information related to school holidays. If a school is not providing the Calendar Date records correctly or at all, the calculation will default to utilizing school holiday information provided on the Accreditation report. In addition to this information, the dates of the various testing windows are used to determine the end dates for the FAY/NFAY period. A student testing in a winter window will have a shorter FAY window than a student testing in the spring window as the rule is based off of the actual testing administration.