

EDFACTS
FS007

CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Reasons for Unilateral Removal

Primary Disability

The primary disability identified in a student's IEP. The disability code set is based on the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

AUT	Autism
DB	Deaf-blindness
DD	Developmental delay
EMN	Emotional disturbance
HI	Hearing impairment
MR	Intellectual disability
MD	Multiple disabilities
OI	Orthopedic impairment
SLD	Specific learning disability
SLI	Speech or language impairment
TBI	Traumatic brain injury
VI	Visual impairment
OHI	Other health impairment

English Learner Status

An indication of whether a student meets the definition of an English Learner at the time of removal.

LEP	English learner
NLEP	Non-English learner

Purpose

This file specification is used to collect the **number of times** children with disabilities (IDEA) who were ages 3 through 21 and unilaterally removed by school personnel (not the IEP team) from their current educational placement to an interim alternative educational setting (determined by the IEP team) due to drug or weapon offenses or serious bodily injury. EDFacts FS007 is submitted for both the SEA and LEA level.

Guidance

Students to report

Report children with disabilities (IDEA) as defined in the EDFacts Workbook who were ages 3 through 21 as of the child count date and were subject to unilateral removal by school personnel for drug or weapon offenses or serious bodily injury.

- Instances in which school personnel (not the IEP team) order the removal of children with disabilities from their current educational placement to an **appropriate interim alternative educational setting for not more than 45 school days.**
- The IEP team is responsible for determining the interim alternative educational setting.
- Unilateral removals do not include decisions made by the IEP team to change a student's placement.

SEAs submit the file with the child's primary disability category, English Learner status, Race/Ethnicity and Sex.

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Race/Ethnicity

The general racial category that most clearly reflects individuals' recognition of their community or with which the individuals most identify:

AM7	American Indian or Alaska Native
AS7	Asian
BL7	Black or African American
HI7	Hispanic/Latino
PI7	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
WH7	White
MU7	Two or more races

Students to exclude

- Students who were moved from their current educational placement as a result of a decision by the IEP team to change a student's placement.

For example, if following a discipline offense, the IEP team meets and determines that the child's current placement is not the least restrictive environment for that child, and therefore makes a permanent change in the child's IEP placement, do not report the child in this file.

- Students parentally placed in a private school.
- Students who are removed by school personnel for drugs, weapons, or serious bodily injury and were not sent to an interim alternative educational setting. (These students should be reported in FS006 as having been suspended.)

What type of count is this?

This file is a count of removals by type of offense. If a removal was triggered by more than one type of offense, the removal would be reported in this file more than once.

For example, if a student was removed because the student committed both a drug offense and a weapon offense, the removal would be reported twice.

What is a unilateral removal?

Instances in which school personnel (not the IEP team) order the removal of children with disabilities from their current educational placement to an appropriate interim alternative educational setting for not more than 45 school days. The IEP team is responsible for determining the interim alternative educational setting. Unilateral removals do not include decisions by the IEP team to change a student's placement.

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Sex

An indication that students are either female or male.

F	Female
M	Male

How are counts reported at the LEA Level?

Report removals at the LEA that has responsibility for the student's IEP.

Interim Removal Reason

The reasons why children with disabilities (IDEA) were unilaterally removed from their current educational placement to an interim alternative educational setting.

Reason	Code
Drugs	D
Weapons	W
Serious Bodily Injury	SBI

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