2025-2026 Count Dates & Days / Hours of Instruction

2025-2026 Count Dates October 1, 2025 Fall Count Day February 11, 2026 Spring Count Day	Absence was **Unexcused** **Enrolled prior to count day.** **Must attend within** 10-Day Count Period **(10 days in session)**	Absence was **Excused** **Enrolled on or before count day.** **Must attend within** **30-Day Count Period** **(30 calendar days)**	Absence was **Suspended/Expelled** **Enrolled prior to count day.** **Must attend within** **45-Day Count Period** **(45 calendar days)**
Pupil Membership Count Day (First Wednesday in October) **Wednesday, October 1, 2025**	Thursday, October 1, thru Wednesday, October 15, 2025	Ends Friday, October 31, 2025	Ends Saturday, November 15, 2025
Supplemental Pupil Count Day (2nd Wednesday in February) **Wednesday, February 11, 2026**	Thursday, February 11, thru Wednesday, February 27, 2026	Ends Friday, March 13, 2026	Ends Saturday, March 28, 2026

*The pupil membership count days are established in the State Aid Act as the first (1st) Wednesday in October and the second (2) Wednesday in February. A district not in session for any reason, other than conditions not within the control of school authorities, with approval of State Superintendent, CANNOT count students in membership.

Days/Hours of Student Instruction

Forgiven hours: The first 6 days of equivalent number of hours for which pupil instruction is not provided because of conditions not within the control of school authorities shall be counted as hours and days of pupil instruction. For programs that provide fewer than 1098 hours, such as 1/2 day kindergarten and Special Education Early Childhood, the forgiven hours are prorated.

School Year	Minimum No. of Instructional Hours (Grades 1-12)	Minimum No. of Instr. Hours (Kindergarten for 1.0 FTE)	Minimum No. of Instr. Hours for Approved Reduced Schedule (Grades 9-12)	Minimum Number of Instructional Days	Minimum No. of Days/Hours for Bona Fide Prg. (SE Early Childhood 1754)	Minimum No. of Days/Hours for bonafide program (SE Early Childhood 1755)
2025-2026	**1098**	**1098**	**878.4**	**180**	**144 days/360 hours**	**not<72 hours within 180 days**

Under Section 101(10) of the State School Aid Act (MCL 388.1701), effective for the 2019-20 school year, a district may count up to 38 hours of qualifying professional development time for teachers as hours of pupil instruction if all requirements are satisfied per the Michigan Department of Education 2022-2023 Pupil Accounting Manual, 2:Day, Hour, and Attendance Requirements. If the qualifying professional development exceeds 5 hours in a single day, that day may be counted as a day of pupil instruction.

If you have questions, please contact your Pupil Accounting Auditor.