

How to count New Entrants on the BMI/Student Weight Status Reporting Survey: *What to Do with Pre-K and Kindergarten Students*

For the Student Weight Status Category Reporting Survey (WSC), new entrants are counted when they are assigned a school district ID number in either Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten. *New entrants to a school district in grades other than Pre-K or Kindergarten are not counted on the Student Weight Status Category Reporting Survey.*

Does your school district offer Pre-K? If the district considers Pre-Kindergarten students as new enterers, they require a physical. Students who entered the district in Pre-K and had a health examination do not require another one for Kindergarten. **It is important to remember that we are reporting students from the previous school year.**

Here are some scenarios that will help determine whether you count or do not count the new enterers in Pre-K and Kindergarten for the BMI/Student Weight Status Category Reporting:

Scenario I: When to Count Students in the WSC Survey

- If Kindergarten Students were Pre-K students & this is their **2nd** year in school (and they had a physical in Pre-K), these students ARE counted in the WSC Survey.
- If **1st** Grade Students started school in Kindergarten & this is their **2nd** year in school (and they had a physical in Kindergarten), these students ARE counted in the WSC Survey.

Scenario II: When NOT to Count Students WSC Survey

- If Kindergarten Students did NOT attend Pre-K & this is their **1st** year in school (and they did not have a physical in the previous school year), these students ARE NOT counted in the WSC Survey.
- If **1st** Grade Students started school in Pre-K & this is their **3rd** year in school (and they had a physical in Pre-K and NOT in Kindergarten), these students ARE NOT counted in the WSC Survey.

Students are counted when they are in their 2nd year of school.