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November 16, 2022

Department of Public Instruction
125 S. Webster Street
Madison, WI 53703

RE: Attendance

It has come to our attention that our attendance rate that is publicly reported on the WISEdash portal for the 2020-21 school year is incorrect. The number that WISEdash has listed is 94.7% when in fact our attendance data for 2020-2021 school year was 98.2%.

After the December 2021 snapshot, our district found that the attendance calculation for our secondary schools (grades 5-12) were not accurate for the “period to day” conversions. Changes to the attendance conversions have been made in our Student Information System and the correct data has been uploaded to WISE.

We also found that the number of days possible for Bay Port High, Bay View Middle, and Lineville Intermediate were not reporting correctly. Due to COVID, there were altered schedules at Bay Port High during the 20-21 school year with students attending Friday classes online. This changed the number of possible days from 144 to 178. For Bay View, the number of days possible was originally reported as 172 with some Fridays not being in the calculation. This has been updated and the number of days possible should be 178. For Lineville, the number of days possible was originally reported as 175 but due to some staff professional development dates being cancelled and the calendar not edited correctly, the updated number of days possible should be 178.

Should you have any questions about this attendance data, please feel free to contact me at tarabail@hssdschools.org or by phone 920-662-7769.

Kind regards,

Tara Bailey, Systems Integration Coordinator