

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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TO: School Board Members

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SUBJECT: **2008-09 TWENTIETH DAY ENROLLMENT REPORT BREAKDOWN**

This memorandum provides the official school District enrollment to be used for statistical purposes. Recall that this data was secured on September 18, 2008, the twentieth day membership count. As can be seen in Appendices A through F, the total membership for this year on the twentieth day was 255,738 representing pre-kindergarten through grade 12 students enrolled in the District's 286 schools (138 elementary, 43 middle, 33 high schools, 16 centers and 56 charter schools).

As shown in Table 1, District enrollment dropped 3,167 students from 2007-08 marking the fourth consecutive year Broward County Public Schools experienced a decrease in student enrollment. In Appendix A, the District's elementary schools have 108,365 students (4,002 in pre-kindergarten and 104,363 in kindergarten through grade five). Middle schools (grades six through eight) have 53,843 students enrolled while grades nine through 12 have 70,240 students. The District has 4,592 students in its centers, while 18,698 students attend charter schools.

The count reflects decreases in pre-kindergarten, elementary, high school and education centers enrollment and increases in middle school and charter school enrollment when compared to the 2007-08 report. Overall, pre-kindergarten enrollment dropped by 40 students, while elementary totals (K-5 only) fell by 3,014 students, high school counts decreased by 1,138 and centers fell by 651. Middle school enrollment increased by 100 students and charter school enrollment increased by 1,576 students over last year's figures.

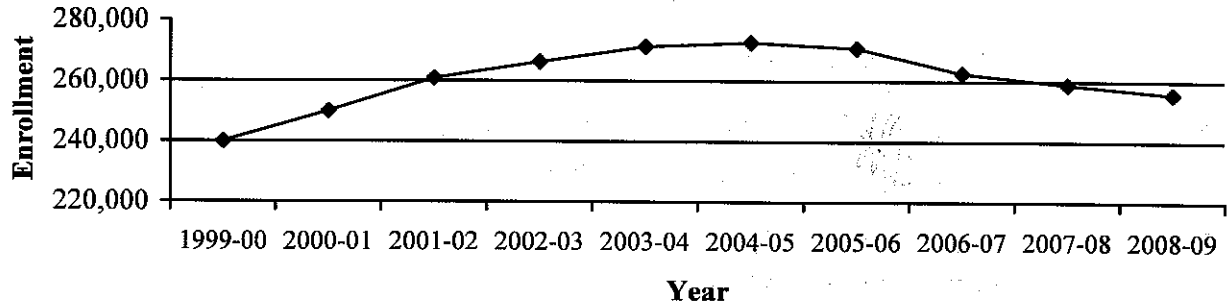
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Table 1: Twentieth Day Enrollment 1999-00 to 2008-09

Year	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Enrollment	239,960	249,923	260,892	266,272	271,339	272,691	270,935	262,616	258,905	255,738



The District is divided into four geographic administrative areas. When analyzing enrollment patterns by area for the 2008-09 year, Table 2 below demonstrates the numbers of pre-kindergarten through grade 12 students vary among areas. North Central has the lowest student enrollment of 38,848. The remaining three areas serve between approximately 58,000 and 72,000 students: North, 66,606; South Central, 58,231; and South, 72,088.

Table 2: Enrollment by Area and by Level 2008-09

Area	PreK	K-5	6-8	9-12	Center	Total
North	955	29,845	14,721	20,727	358	66,606
North Central	606	16,602	7,939	10,888	2,813	38,848
South Central	1,646	25,217	14,101	17,151	116	58,231
South	795	32,699	16,997	21,152	445	72,088
Charter	1	9,149	4,867	4,681	0	18,698
Districtwide*	N/A	N/A	85	322	860	1,267
Total	4,003	113,512	58,710	74,921	4,592	255,738

\* Includes Alternatives Unlimited Drop Back In Center and Broward Virtual Education

As shown in Table 3 below, the South Area continues to enroll the largest number of students at 72,088. The South Central Area evidenced the largest decrease from last year to this September, decreasing by 2,186 students. As of 2008-09, the North Central Area no longer includes charter school enrollment. Comparing 2007-08 North Central Area student enrollment without charter school enrollment (39,839) shows a decrease in enrollment this year by 991 students. The North and South Areas experienced decreases of 889 and 903 students respectively.

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**Table 3: Twentieth Day Membership Count by Administrative Area**

<b>Administrative Area</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>Decrease</b>
	<b>Total Students</b>	<b>Total Students</b>	
North	67,495	66,606	889
North Central*	56,961	38,848	18,113
South Central	60,417	58,231	2,186
South	72,991	72,088	903

\* Large decrease in North Central enrollment from 2007-08 to 2008-09 reflects the administrative movement of charter schools out of the North Central Administrative Area.

As is noted in Appendix E, the North Central Administrative Area supports 13 center school programs that serve 2,813 students, the highest number of students enrolled in center schools when compared to the other three areas (North, 358; South Central, 116; and South, 445). Within the District there are five centers with programs that serve pre-kindergarten students in addition to those enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12. The pre-kindergarten enrollment includes: Hallandale Adult, 54; Dave Thomas Education Center, 180; Seagull Center, 93; The Quest Center, 72; and Whispering Pines, 11 for a total of 410 pre-kindergarten students.

Table 4 illustrates diversity breakdown Districtwide for the last two school years. Appendix E provides breakdown by school, center, and charter schools.

**Table 4: Twentieth Day Membership Count by Diversity**

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>2007-08</b>		<b>2008-09</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Male	133,133	51.4	131,629	51.5
Female	125,771	48.6	124,109	48.5
White	78,680	30.4	75,536	29.5
Black	97,131	37.5	96,690	37.8
Hispanic	66,781	25.8	66,621	26.1
Asian	8,644	3.3	8,784	3.4
Native American	534	0.2	524	.2
Multiracial	7,134	2.8	7,583	3.0
ELL	24,136	9.3	24,631	9.6
ESE	28,930	11.2	29,316	11.5
FRL	113,763	43.9	123,155	48.2
Total	<b>258,904</b>		<b>255,738</b>	

As shown in Table 4 and as listed by school in Appendix D, the percentage of males and females remained relatively constant over the last two years. Black students comprise the highest number and proportion of students in Broward, 96,690 (37.8%), decreasing by 441 students compared to last year. White students comprise the second highest number and proportion of students in Broward, 75,536 (29.5%), decreasing by 3,144 students compared to last year. Hispanic, Native American, and Multiracial student populations also decreased as compared to last year, while Asian student populations increased by 140. English Language Learners (ELL)

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experienced an increase of 495 students as did Exceptional Student Education (ESE) by 386 students. Students participating in Free or Reduced Lunch (FRL) increased by 9,392 students.

Appendix E provides school enrollment disaggregated by grade levels of pre-kindergarten through grade 12. In addition, enrollment compared to 2008-09 projections is provided as well as permanent capacity. The actual 2008-09 twentieth day enrollment count of 255,738 students was within 99.1% of the projected enrollment (258,032). The twentieth day count as compared with permanent capacity reveals approximately 25,000 empty student seats in Broward County Public Schools. This memorandum and the attached reports can be accessed on the School Boundaries Web site located at: <http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/schoolboundaries/>. If you need additional information please contact **Jill Young, Director, School Boundaries** at **(754) 321-2480**.

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Attachments: Appendices A through F

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