

## EMIS Change 24-96: Public Comments & Responses

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### [Public Comment #1](#)

**From:** EDU EMISPublicComments <[EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov](mailto:EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 31, 2023 12:06 PM

**To:** redacted

**Subject:** RE: 24-96 Home education

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your public comment and interest in EMIS. This change does not impact the existing DN attribute for counts of homeschooled students.

Thanks!

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**From:** redacted

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 3, 2023 3:37 PM

**To:** EDU EMISPublicComments <[EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov](mailto:EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov)>

**Subject:** 24-96 Home education

Hi,

Will this change in language still require LEAs to track the number of students that are intended to be home educated by parents to be included in the count on the DN record reporting of 'number of students on home education'?

AKA this is just a 'label change' not a change in reporting requirements for LEAs.

[Public Comment #2](#)

**From:** EDU EMISPublicComments <EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 31, 2023 11:54 AM  
**To:** redacted  
**Subject:** RE: EMIS Change #24-96, Public Comment

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your public comment and interest in EMIS. This change in the EMIS Manual implements the revised language and data reporting requirements in recently updated Ohio Revised Code, per House Bill 33. If you have concerns regarding the law, you are welcome to reach out to your state representatives.

Please note that your district can still make the same types of policy decisions in relation to students within your district as before. For example, it is still a local decision regarding whether to accept and how much/ what type of credit or grade level is assigned for a student that is transferring into your district.

I hope this helps to clarify.

Thanks,

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I think this is too loose...How do we really know the parents are following through and that their child's social studies lesson isn't playing Assassin's Creed on Xbox??

I also don't understand how a student returning from home education would re-integrate on their return. The accept them without prejudice, etc will be fine for K-8 aged students.

But, how does that work with High School kids? Parents come in and say- My kid passed Algebra and Biology so they have seals for that. Oh and they volunteered at our church so there is the local seal.

Btw, he took and got A's in - Adv Math, Adv Biology, Chemistry, etc- We just randomly give them the credits for the classes Mom or Dad says they took?

Without prejudice...So Mom or Dad enroll their home educated kid as a senior and tell us they took all these advanced classes and got As and have a GPA of 4.38 so they are now the valedictorian?

This will need to be exactly spelled out for high school credit/seal requirements. Plus, those kids should not be included in the rankings unless they had all 4 years in a public school.

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**From:** redacted

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As a former homeschooling parent, I am dismayed about the removal of requirements to provide testing results or review of portfolio by a licensed teacher provisions. There is now no accountability, and this could make it harder for students to be accepted to colleges since there's no oversight in continuing Home Education, most notably in high school. Colleges may be less likely to accept Ohio Home Educated students because they will have to work harder to make sure that the students are actually prepared for college and parents didn't just create a diploma for them without the student having actually earned it. The requirements were very minimal compared to other states. I'm sorry to see them disappear - it will likely put Ohio Home Educated students at a disadvantage.