



### **Headcount Procedure**

The English Learner Count (EL) functionality reports on students who are identified English Learners for the purpose of funding and accountability subgroup measures.

The Headcount of English Learners is used to determine distribution of PRC 054 state funds and LEA/charter eligibility for the federal Title III PRC 104 Language Acquisition Grant.

**Important:** The Headcount of English Learner (EL) student collection window

occurs annually beginning October 1 for approximately three-four weeks. EL information can be added year-round as students enroll; however, funding will be based on student enrollment on October 1 and must be certified by the conclusion of the headcount window.

Notices are sent from DPI to Title III/EL coordinators of all district and charter school systems regarding reporting needs during the school year. District EL Coordinators must be signed up to receive the notices through the EL Coordinator Listserv. Coordinators can request to be added or removed from the email list by accessing the "English Learner Coordinators" list serv here: <a href="https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/NCSBE/subscriber/new">https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/NCSBE/subscriber/new</a>

#### **Contacts**

For October 1 Headcount English Learner policy questions, email Marshall Foster at marshall.foster@dpi.nc.gov (note: Vicky Kriegsman has retired). PowerSchool functionality related questions should be directed to the <a href="Home Base Support Center">Home Base Support Center</a>.

### **Assumptions**

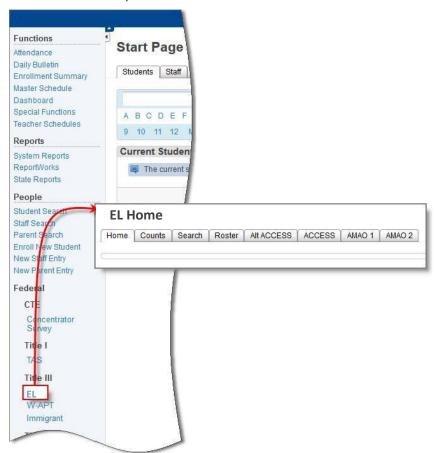
This document assumes that all users are familiar with the policies regarding **Students identified as English Learners** located under http://www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/policies/slep/



# **Accessing EL module**

To access the EL module:

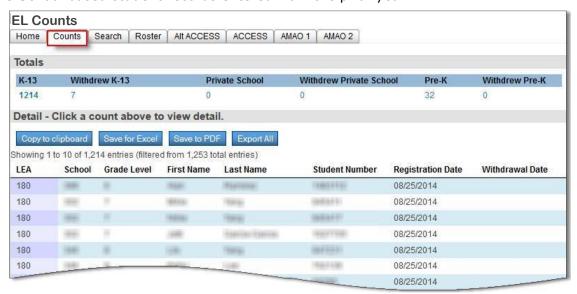
- 1. Access PowerSchool with your assigned credentials.
- 2. Select the appropriate School (LEA Office) and Term values.
- 3. Under the Federal section, click EL link to access the EL Home screen.



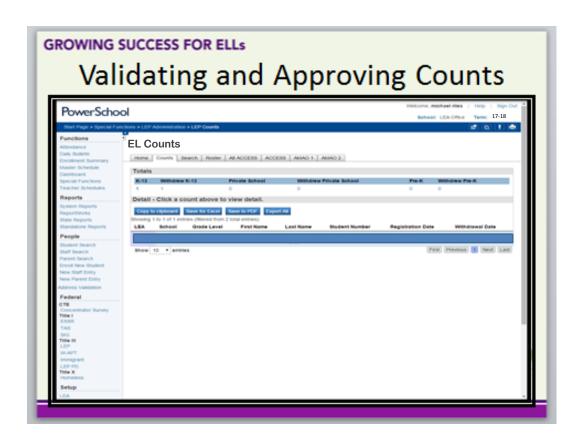


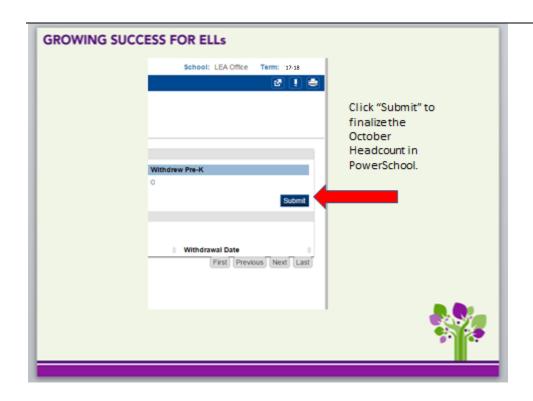


Click the Counts tab to view the aggregate numbers automatically calculated by PowerSchool based student records entered from the prior year.



These numbers are tallied automatically by the system based on the student records Private, PreK, and Withdrawn PreK-12 are all based on actual student records.





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# Count Calculation Criteria

- EL Status = 'Current'
- Registration date <= 10/1</li>
- Withdrawal date >10/1 or is Null
- Aggregate Counts are determined by student records in PowerSchool.
  - Counts page is modified by refresh of calculations
  - Records must exist for the student to be counted
    - · Counts cannot be added/updated by user
  - Aggregates on:
    - · PK, K13 active and withdrawn
    - Private Schools



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## Pre-K and Private Schools

- Private School students me be in PowerSchool
- Pre-K students not served in a traditional reporting school (School number above 300)
- Enroll them in the EL School (EL, 293)
  - EL students enrolled in other program schools (290 – 299) do not need to be cross-enrolled
- Create the EL record through manual entry

