Act 66 of 2021 Student Grade Level Retainment Notification Form for the 2021-22 School Year

On June 30, 2021, Governor Tom Wolf signed Act 66 of 2021 into law.

This Act permits the following for the 2021-22 school year:

- A student who was enrolled during the 2020-21 school year may repeat their 2020-21 school year grade level in an effort to make up for any lost educational opportunities due to the COVID-19 pandemic, even if the student met the requirements to be promoted to the next grade; and
- A student with a disability who was enrolled during the 2020-21 school year and turned age 21 (either during the 2020-21 school year or between the end of the 2020-21 and the beginning of the 2021-22 school year) may attend a school entity during the 2021-22 school year and receive services as outlined in their most recent Individualized Education Program (IEP) with all the protections under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

To qualify to repeat a grade level, a student had to be enrolled in one of the following school entities in Pennsylvania during the 2020-21 school year: a school district, intermediate unit, career and technical education center, charter school, cyber charter school, regional charter school, or nonpublic school.

Parents/guardians interested in re-enrolling their child under the above options for the 2021-22 school year must submit this Act 66 of 2021 Student Grade Level Retainment Notification Form to the district and/or school that the student will attend in the 2021-22 school year on or before July 15, 2021. Do not submit the form to the Department of Education (PDE).

Instructions:
- Complete the Act 66 of 2021 Student Grade Level Retainment Notification Form for the 2021-22 school year.
- Contact the district/school that the student will attend during the 2021-22 school year for an email address to submit the form.
- Submit the completed form to the child’s district and/or school on or before July 15, 2021.
  - If a student under the age of 18 plans to repeat a grade, a parent or guardian must submit the form to the district/school.
  - If a student 18 years of age or older plans to repeat a grade, the student must submit the form on their own behalf.
  - Both the parent/guardian and the student must complete this form if a student with a disability was enrolled during the 2020-21 school year, turned 21 during the time periods listed above, and intends to return to school for the 2021-22 school year.

Date:

Name of Student - First:       Middle:       Last:

Student Date of Birth:                      Student School ID Number (if known):

Student Address:

Name of Parent/Guardian:

Parent/Guardian Address:

Parent/Guardian Phone Number:
Name of School Entity (e.g., district, charter school, intermediate unit, career and technical education center, nonpublic school entities, Approved Private Schools, and Chartered School for the Deaf and Blind) the student attended during the 2020-21 school year:

Name of School Building the student attended during the 2020-21 school year:

Grade Level in the 2020-21 school year:

Name of Student’s Homeroom or Primary Teacher in the 2020-21 school year:

I confirm the above-named student meets the following criteria and is eligible to enroll under Act 66 of 2020:

(check one)

☐ Is a student under 18 years of age; or

☐ Is a student 18 years of age or older; or

☐ Is a student with a disability as defined in 22 Pa. Code § 14.101 (relating to definitions) who has reached 21 years of age during the 2020-21 school year or between the end of the 2020-21 school year and the beginning of the 2021-22 school year and was enrolled for the 2020-21 school year

Signature of Parent/Guardian:

Printed Parent/Guardian Name:

Signature of Student (if 18 years of age or older):

Printed Name of Student:

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