281—19.11(256E) Funding.

19.11(1)   *General.* Charter school funding is governed by Iowa Code section 256E.8.

19.11(2)   *Enrollment estimates.* If necessary, and pursuant to paragraph 19.11(2)*"a,"* funding amounts determined under this rule for the first school year of a new charter school are to be based on enrollment estimates for the charter school included in the charter school contract. The process set out in paragraph 19.11(2)*"b"* is to be used for determining estimated enrollments for charter school funding purposes in school years after the first year of a charter school. Amounts paid using estimated enrollments are to be reconciled during subsequent payments based on actual enrollment of the charter school during each school year pursuant to paragraph 19.11(2)*"c."*

   a.   Enrollment estimates for the first school year are to be based on the number of enrolled students reported to the department through the student information system by August 5 of the school year.

   b.   Enrollment estimates for school years following the first school year are to be based on the number of enrolled students reported to the department through the student information system by August 5 of the school year.

   c.   Estimated payments will be reconciled, at minimum, based on actual enrollment information reported by the charter school pursuant to Iowa Code sections 256.9(44) and 257.6.

19.11(3)   *Notification to districts of residence.* For purposes of this rule, each charter school notifies the district of residence of each child in a time and manner that allow the district of residence to include the child in the district's certified enrollment and any other relevant enrollment data.

19.11(4)   *Students receiving instruction over the Internet—participation in activities in district of residence.* Students receiving instruction over the Internet from a charter school authorized under this chapter are eligible to participate in activities in their resident districts under the terms of Iowa Code section 256E.13.

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