

WAC 392-164-410 Withholding of Chapter 1 Migrant payments.

Withholding by the superintendent of public instruction of Chapter 1 Migrant payments shall occur only under the following conditions.

(1) If the superintendent of public instruction determines that an operating agency is not in substantial compliance with federal statute and regulation or with this chapter, the superintendent of public instruction shall have the authority to withhold payment in whole or in part of Chapter 1 Migrant moneys to the offending operating agency. In deciding whether to withhold payments, the superintendent of public instruction shall provide:

(a) Reasonable notice to the operating agency of the reasons for the proposed withholding; and

(b) An opportunity for the operating agency within thirty calendar days of such notice to give reason why the withholding should not be instituted.

(2) Pursuant to the operating agency response, the superintendent of public instruction shall consider the following factors:

(a) The seriousness of the noncompliance;

(b) The amount of Chapter 1 Migrant moneys involved;

(c) The effect of withholding on participating children; and

(d) The need to withhold payments to prevent further misuse of Chapter 1 Migrant moneys.

(3) If, after consideration of these factors and within thirty calendar days, the superintendent of public instruction decides to initiate a withholding procedure, a date shall be specified by which the operating agency shall have achieved compliance, or the moneys withheld shall become subject to repayment procedures specified in 34 C.F.R. 204.11(b), "Access to records and audits, state and local responsibilities."

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.02.100. WSR 88-13-089 (Order 88-16), § 392-164-410, filed 6/20/88.]