



**NJ School-Based Health Services (NJ SBHS)
Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI)
Fiscal Year 2026 Reimbursement Revenue Projections**

County: **County Name**
District ID: **District Identification**
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FY 2024 Recap

Below is an overview of the district’s final FY 2024 SEMI (NJ SBHS) program performance. Per *N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3(f)*, an action plan is required for those school districts that did not meet at least 90 percent parental consent response and/or 100 percent of budgeted reimbursement revenue by June 30, 2024. If the district did not meet one or both benchmarks listed in the “Action Plan Triggers” section below, the district must complete and submit a corrective action plan to the County Office, due with the district’s FY 2026 budget.

Additional financial deadline performance metrics are listed below for districts to identify those areas for improvement, but do not trigger the need for an action plan.

Table 1 — SEMI (NJ SBHS) Program Performance Metrics

Metrics	Program Requirement	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Final Quarter
Action Plan Triggers	Parental Consent Percentage Achieved				98%
	Interim Reimbursement Revenue Percentage Achieved				131%
	Staff Pool List Certification Status	Certified	Certified	Certified	Certified
	Quarterly MAC Financial Certification Status	Certified	Certified	Certified	Certified

A SEMI (NJ SBHS) Action Plan Template is available online on the [NJ SBHS Website](#) for the district’s use. Suggested activities for consideration in the action plan are available upon request through the County Office and/or Public Consulting Group (PCG); contact information for PCG is: The NJ SBHS Team, (609) 275-0250, extension 2 and njsemi@pcgus.com.

Statement Regarding SEMI (NJ SBHS) Interim Reimbursements:

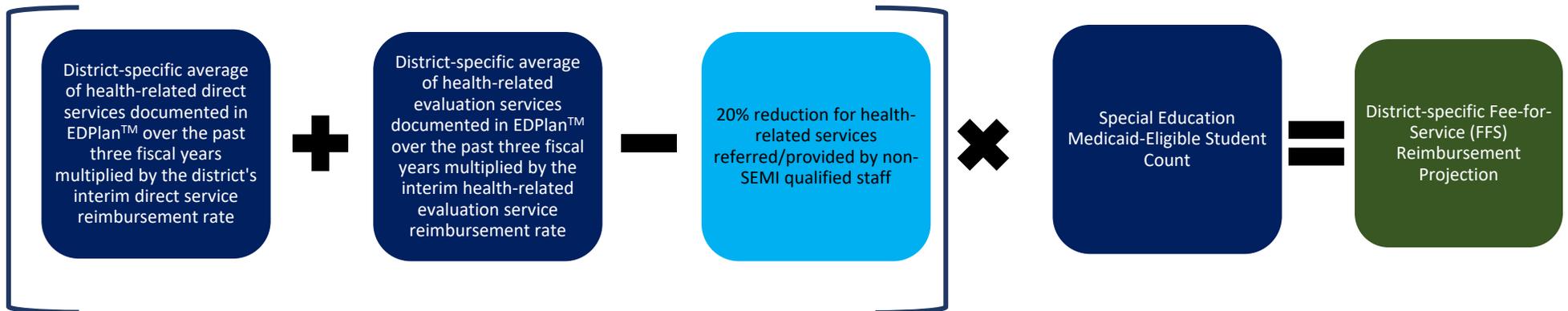
New Jersey is a Cost Settlement state, and all Fee-For-Service (FFS) reimbursement is interim reimbursement. For interim FFS reimbursement to be retained by the school district, it must be supported by eligible, reported costs in the Annual Cost Report submission and Annual Cost Settlement process.

FY 2026 Reimbursement Revenue Projection

Medicaid-Eligible/Special Education Student Count per NJ SMART 10/15/2024 snapshot	92
District Projected Reimbursement Revenue:	\$55,777.76 ¹
District Budgeted Reimbursement Revenue Requirement:	\$50,199.98 ²

How SEMI (NJ SBHS) Reimbursement Revenue Projections are Calculated for New Jersey School Districts

The Estimated Medicaid Reimbursement Revenue Projection is calculated as follows:



- Average of health-related direct services and health-related evaluation services documented in the district’s EDPlan site over the 3 most recent fiscal years for Medicaid-eligible Special Education students.
 - For the FY 2025 SEMI (NJ SBHS) reimbursement projections, this calculation is based on service documentation averages from FY 2021 to FY 2023.

¹ FY 2026 reimbursement revenue calculations and assumptions are listed immediately below.

² District shall recognize no less than 90 percent of the SEMI (NJ SBHS) reimbursement revenue projection.

- For school districts that have not participated consistently in SEMI (NJ SBHS) for the past three fiscal years, including those school districts that failed to log health related services or health related evaluations, this calculation will be based on LEA type averages for that time period.
 - LEA types include: K–6, K–8, K–12, 7–12 Regional, High School, Charter, Vocational
- Apply Fee-for-Service (FFS) interim reimbursement rates to district-specific, health-related direct service average count, as outlined within each district’s individual FY 2026 reimbursement revenue projection, which are disseminated by the County Offices.
 - Health-related service interim reimbursement rates are located on State’s [NJ SBHS Website](#).
- Reduction for services provided by non-SEMI (NJ SBHS) qualified staff.
 - A 20 percent reduction is applied to the estimated reimbursement per student to account for students case managed by Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultants (LDTCs), as educational services provided by LDTCs are not eligible for reimbursement under the SEMI (NJ SBHS) program and for health-related services **referred** or **provided** by individuals who are not SEMI-qualified.
 - Qualifications can be found in the [NJ SBHS Provider Handbook](#).
 - Note: Since a reduction is accounted for in the projection, additional reductions for LDTCs will not be considered reliable evidence for an alternate reimbursement revenue projection.

The **Medicaid-Eligible Student Count** is calculated as follows:

- The Medicaid-Eligible Student Count is derived by comparing the list of special education students (reported by the district to NJDOE via NJ SMART) to a list of Medicaid-eligible students (provided by the Department of Human Services, per the October 2024 match).
 - For the FY 2026 reimbursement revenue projections, the October 15, 2024, NJ SMART Special Education Submission snapshot on October 15 will be used.
- Students identified as a match are included in the count to determine the total number of Medicaid-eligible students from the October 15 snapshot.
- Note: The count of eligible students is based on district reported data at the October 15 snapshot. Disputing the number of Medicaid-eligible students will not be considered reliable evidence for an alternate reimbursement revenue projection and/or waiver.

Additional Reimbursement Revenue Projection Assumptions:

- 100 percent positive parental consent rate for Medicaid-eligible students.
- All health-related direct services and health-related evaluation services must be documented in EDPlan.
- Next steps after reviewing your district reimbursement revenue projection are indicated below.

If the reimbursement revenue projection has more than 40 Medicaid-Eligible Students:

- Districts projected to have more than 40 Medicaid-Eligible/Special Education students for the 2025-2026 school year **must participate** in the SEMI (NJ SBHS) program, per *N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3*.
 - These districts must include the district budgeted reimbursement revenue projection in the FY 2026 district budget (recorded on revenue line 540 “Medicaid Reimbursement”).
- Also, per *N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3*, districts projected to have over 40 Medicaid-Eligible/Special Education students who have reliable evidence to seek an alternate reimbursement revenue projection must submit all supporting information to the County Office for approval.
 - An alternate reimbursement revenue projection is not a waiver, and districts with an approved alternate reimbursement revenue projection are still required to fully participate in SEMI (NJ SBHS) program requirements. Please refer to Attachment B for a list of items to consider when developing the alternate reimbursement revenue projection.

If the reimbursement revenue projection has a 40 or fewer Medicaid-Eligible Students:

- Districts that are eligible for a SEMI (NJ SBHS) waiver, **excluding those with a projected reimbursement revenue of \$0**, are required to submit a formal written request, accompanied by a board resolution, to the Executive County Superintendent in order to seek an exemption from the SEMI (NJ SBHS) program requirements. If a formal request is not submitted and approved, the district will be expected to maximize its participation in the SEMI (NJ SBHS) program.
- Districts choosing to participate, despite being eligible for a waiver, or who are in receipt of an approved waiver, are required to provide **written notification** of their election to participate to the County Office.