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11.0	August 2014	Updated for SY 2014-15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Table 2.2-1 Clarified reporting guidance about Zero, Not applicable, and Missing

PREFACE

This document provides technical instructions for building files that are submitted through the *EDFacts* Submission System (ESS). The ESS is an electronic system that facilitates the efficient and timely transmission of data from SEAs to the U.S. Department of Education.

This document is to be used in coordination with other documentation posted on <http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/edfacts/index.html> under *EDFacts* System Documentation, including:

- *EDFacts* Workbook – a reference guide to using the *EDFacts* Submission System (ESS); particularly useful to new users; contains multiple appendices, including one that explains how to use the file specifications
- ESS User Guide – provides assistance to new users of the *EDFacts* Submission System (ESS); it addresses the basic mechanics of system access and data submission
- *EDFacts* Business Rules Guide – describes each business rule includes the error number, type, message, definition, edit logic, and the file specifications where the business rules are applied

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Data submitted through the ESS are authorized by an Annual Mandatory Collection of Elementary and Secondary Education Data Through *EDFacts* (OMB 1875-0240, expires 2/29/2016). *EDFacts* is a U.S. Department of Education (ED) initiative to govern, acquire, validate, and use high-quality, kindergarten through grade 12 (K–12) performance data for education planning, policymaking, and management and budget decision-making to improve outcomes for students. *EDFacts* centralizes data provided by SEAs, LEAs and schools, and provides users with the ability to easily analyze and report data. This initiative has significantly reduced the reporting burden for state and local data producers, and has streamlined data collection, analysis and reporting functions at the federal, state and local levels.

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1.0 PURPOSE

This document contains instructions for building files to submit ED*Facts* Data Group 596: Students Involved with Firearms Table. The definition for this data group is

The unduplicated number of students who were involved in an incident involving a firearm.

The data collected using this file specification are used to monitor and report on the Gun-Free Schools and Communities Act.

2.0 GUIDANCE FOR SUBMITTING THIS FILE

This section contains changes from the previous school year, core requirements for submitting this file, required categories and totals, and general guidance.

2.1 Changes from the SY 2013-14 File Specifications

Other than the editorial changes listed in the document history on page ii, there have been no other changes to this file specification.

2.2 Core Requirements for Submitting this File

The following table contains the reporting period, the education units included or excluded, the type of count, and zero count reporting.

Table 2.2-1: Core Reporting Requirements

	SEA	LEA	School
Reporting Period	Entire school year		
Education units reported	Include SEA	Operational LEAs that had students involved with firearms	File not submitted at the school level
Education units not reported		Closed, inactive, or future LEAs; LEAs that did not have any students involved with firearms	
Type of count	Once for each student involved in a firearm incident *	Once for each student involved in a firearm incident *	
Zero counts	Required	Not required	
Zero exceptions			
Not applicable			

* In rare events, a student could be involved in more than one firearm incident in the same state in the same school year, when that occurs report the student for each incident and include in the explanation that a student was reported more than once.

SEA	LEA	School
Missing	Use “-1” to report missing counts. Use “MISSING” when a category is not available	

2.3 Required Categories and Totals

The table below lists the combinations of the categories that are expected to be submitted for the state and each LEA or school that should be included in the file. . An “X” in the column indicates that the column must be populated when reporting that particular category. The total indicator must be “N” (No). The abbreviations in the “Table Name” column represent the technical name of the data used in the file.

Table 2.3–1: Required Categories and Totals

Category Set	Table Name	Weapon	Grade Level (Basic w/ 13)	Discipline Method (Firearms–not IDEA)	Discipline Method (Firearms–IDEA)	Total Indicator	Comments
Category Set A	CHLINVWFRARM	X	X			N	Student Count by Weapon and Grade Level (Basic)
Category Set B	CHLINVWFRARM			X		N	Student Count by Discipline Method (Firearms not IDEA)
Category Set C	CHLINVWFRARM				X	N	Student Count by Discipline Method (Firearms – IDEA)

2.4 Guidance

This file specification is used to collect the number of students involved with firearms incidents.

What students should be reported?

Include **all** students in your State who were found to have brought a firearm to a public school or possessed a firearm at a public school during the school year. A firearm is defined in section 2.5.

Include students **even if** the expulsion is shortened or no penalty is imposed.

Include students covered by the provisions of IDEA who brought a firearm to school or possessed a firearm at school even if it is determined that the incident is a manifestation of the student’s disability.

Are all students reported in all category sets?

No. The following table explains which students are reported in each category set.

Table 2.4-1: Students Reported by Category Set

Category set	Students reported
A - Weapon and Grade Level (Basic w/13)	Report all students
B - Discipline Method (Firearms not IDEA)	Report students who do not meet the definition of children with disabilities (IDEA) in section 4.2 of the ED <i>Facts</i> Workbook.
C - Discipline Method (Firearms – IDEA)	Report students who meet the definition of children with disabilities (IDEA) in section 4.2 of the ED <i>Facts</i> Workbook

The total of category set A should equal the sum of category sets B and C.

What are the permitted values for weapon in category set A?

Weapon in this file specification refers only to firearms. The permitted values are:

- HANDGUNS – Handguns
- RIFLESHOTGUN – Rifles / Shotguns (see definitions in section 2.5)
- OTHER – Any firearm (see definition in section 2.5) that is not a handgun or a rifle or a shotgun.
- MULTIPLE – Use of more than one of the above (handguns, rifles/shotgun, or other)

What items are not considered firearms?

Firearms do not include items such as toy guns, cap guns, bb guns, and pellet guns.

What are the permitted values for the category discipline method (firearms – not IDEA) used in category set B?

The permitted values are:

- Use EXPNOTMODNOALT to report students who received the one year expulsion and who did not receive educational services (including alternative placement with educational services).
- Use EXPALT to report students who received the one year expulsion and were provided with educational services (or alternative placement with educational services).
- Use EXPMODNOALT to report students who received expulsion modified to less than one year and who did not receive educational services (including alternative placement with educational services).

- Use EXPMODALT to report students who received expulsion modified to less than one year and were provided with educational services (or alternative placement with educational services)
- Use REMOVEOTHER in cases where there was no expulsion because the student was removed for other reasons such as death, withdrawal, or incarceration.
- Use OTHERDISACTION for students who received another type of disciplinary action. Cases like this should be rare.
- Use NOACTION when no disciplinary action was taken. Cases like this should be extremely rare.

What are the permitted values for the category discipline method (firearms – IDEA) used in category set C?

The permitted values are:

- Use EXPMOD if the student received an expulsion that was modified to less than one year and received educational services under IDEA.
- Use EXPNOTMOD for students who received a one year expulsion and received educational services under IDEA.
- Use REMOVEOTHER in cases where there was no expulsion because the student was removed for other reasons such as death, withdrawal, or incarceration.
- Use OTHERDISACTION for students who received another type of disciplinary action. Cases like this should be rare.
- Use NOACTION when no disciplinary action was taken. Cases like this should be extremely rare.

Do other files collect related data?

Yes. The number of firearm incidents is reported in the related file C094 – Firearm Incidents. This specification collects the number of students involved with firearms incidents.

2.5 Definitions

The following definitions support this file:

Grade 13

This grade label is used to designate high school students who are enrolled in programs where they can earn college credit in an extended high school environment, or CTE students in a high school program that continues beyond grade 12. All students reported under grade 13 must have completed grade 12.

The following students are not counted under grade 13.

- i. Students who are repeating grade 12.
- ii. Dual credit students who have not completed grade 12; they should be counted in the grade to which they are assigned.

- iii. Students pursuing certification in a career and technical education (CTE) program while in high school (grade 12 or below); they should be counted in the grade to which they are assigned.

GED participants; they should be counted under adult education (AE).

Firearm

A firearm is defined in Title 18 USC §921, Definitions as follows:

- A. any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive;
- B. the frame or receiver of any such weapon;
- C. any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; or
- D. any destructive device. Such term does not include an antique firearm.

Destructive device

The term “destructive device” used in part (D) of the definition of “firearm” means

- A. any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas—
 - i. bomb,
 - ii. grenade,
 - iii. rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces,
 - iv. missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter ounce,
 - v. mine, or
 - vi. device similar to any of the devices described in the preceding clauses;
- B. any type of weapon (other than a shotgun or a shotgun shell which the Attorney General finds is generally recognized as particularly suitable for sporting purposes) by whatever name known which will, or which may be readily converted to, expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or other propellant, and which has any barrel with a bore of more than one-half inch in diameter; and
- C. any combination of parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device described in subparagraph (A) or (B) and from which a destructive device may be readily assembled.

The term “destructive device” shall not include any device which is neither designed nor redesigned for use as a weapon; any device, although originally designed for use as a weapon, which is redesigned for use as a signaling, pyrotechnic, line throwing, safety, or similar device; surplus ordnance sold, loaned, or given by the Secretary of the Army pursuant to the provisions of section 4684 (2), 4685, or 4686 of title 10; or any other device which the Attorney General finds is not likely to be used as a weapon, is an antique, or is a rifle which the owner intends to use solely for sporting, recreational or cultural purposes.

Shotgun

For this file specification, shotgun is either a shotgun or a “short-barreled shotgun.”

- A. The term “shotgun” means a weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or

redesigned and made or remade to use the energy of an explosive to fire through a smooth bore either a number of ball shot or a single projectile for each single pull of the trigger.

- B. The term “short-barreled shotgun” means a shotgun having one or more barrels less than eighteen inches in length and any weapon made from a shotgun (whether by alteration, modification or otherwise) if such a weapon as modified has an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.

Rifle

For this file specification, rifle is either a rifle or a “short-barreled rifle.”

- A. The term “rifle” means a weapon designed or redesigned, made or remade, and intended to be fired from the shoulder and designed or redesigned and made or remade to use the energy of an explosive to fire only a single projectile through a rifled bore for each single pull of the trigger.
- B. The term “short-barreled rifle” means a rifle having one or more barrels less than sixteen inches in length and any weapon made from a rifle (whether by alteration, modification, or otherwise) if such weapon, as modified, has an overall length of less than twenty-six inches.

3.0 FILE NAMING CONVENTION

The following file naming convention is to help identify files to provide technical assistance.

A maximum of 25 characters (including the file extension) is allowed for the file name.

The following is the naming convention for file submissions:

sslev**CHLINVARM**vvvvvvv.ext

Table 3.0-1: File Naming Convention

Where	Means	Limit in characters
ss	USPS State Abbreviation	2
lev	Abbreviation for level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEA for an State Education Agency level • LEA for an Local Education Agency level 	3
filename	CHLINVARM	9
vvvvvvv	Alphanumeric string designated by the SEA to uniquely identify the individual submission (e.g., ver0001, v010803)	7
.ext	Extension identifying the file format: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> .txt – fixed .csv – comma delimited .tab – tab delimited .xml – XML 	4

4.0 FIXED OR DELIMITED FILES

This section describes the fixed file and delimited file specifications. The fixed file and delimited files contain a header record followed by data records. The file type is specified in the header record.

The “Pop” column in the header and data records is coded as follows:

- M - Mandatory, this field must always be populated
- A - This field is populated in accordance with table 2.3-1 “Required Categories and Totals”
- O - Optional, data in this field are optional

4.1 Header Record Definition

The header record is required and is the first record in every file submitted to the ESS. The purpose of the header record is to provide information as to the file type, number of data records in the file, file name, file identifier, and file reporting period.

Table 4.1–1: Header Record

Data Element Name	Start Position	Length	Type	Pop	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
File Type	1	50	String	M	Identifies the type of file being submitted.	SEA CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH FIREARMS LEA CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH FIREARMS
Total Records In File	51	10	Number	M	The total number of Data Records contained in the file. The header record is NOT included in this count.	
File Name	61	25	String	M	The file name including extension, the same as the external file name.	See section 3.0
File Identifier	86	32	String	M	Any combination of standard characters to further identify the file as specified by the SEA (e.g., a date, person’s name, version number).	
File Reporting Period	118	9	String	M	The school year for which data are being reported. The required format is "CCYY–CCYY" or "CCYY CCYY", where either a hyphen or a space separates the beginning and ending years.	2014-2015 OR 2014 2015
Filler	127	318	String	M	Leave filler field blank.	
Carriage Return / Line Feed (CRLF)	445	1		M		

Below is an example of a header record.

Table 4.1–2: Header Record Example

Format	File Type, Total Records in File, File Name, File Identifier, File Reporting Period,¶
Example	LEA CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH FIREARMS,26,EULEACHLINVARMver0007.csv,characters to identify file,2014-2015,¶

4.2 Data Record Definition

Data records are required and immediately follow the header record in every file submitted to the ESS. Data records provide counts for the specified category sets, subtotals and education unit totals.

Table 4.2–1: Data Records

Data Element Name	Start Position	Length	Type	Pop	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
File Record Number	1	10	Number	M	A sequential number assigned by the State that is unique to each row entry within the file.	
DG559 State Code	11	2	String	M	The two-digit American National Standards Institute (ANSI) code for the state, District of Columbia, and the possessions and freely associated areas of the United States.	For a list of valid State Codes, refer to the ED <i>Facts</i> Workbook.
DG570 State Agency Number	13	2	String	M	A number used to uniquely identify state agencies. This ID cannot be updated through this file.	01 – State Education Agency
DG4 State LEA Identifier	15	14	String	M	The identifier assigned to a local education agency (LEA) by the state education agency (SEA). Also known as State LEA ID. This data element cannot be updated through this file.	SEA level – Blank
Filler	29	20	String	M	Leave filler field blank.	
Table Name	49	20	String	M	See section 1.0	CHLINVWFRARM
Weapon	69	50	String	A	The type of weapon.	HANDGUNS – Handguns RIFLESHOTGUN – Rifles / Shotguns MULTIPLE – More than one type of weapon or firearm OTHER – See section 2.4

Data Element Name	Start Position	Length	Type	Pop	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
Discipline Method (Firearms–not IDEA)	119	50	String	A	The methods used to discipline students who are not children with disabilities (IDEA) involved in firearms and other outcomes of firearms incidents.	EXPNOTMODNOALT – One year expulsion and no educational services EXPMODALT - Expulsion modified to less than one year with educational services EXPMODNOALT – Expulsion modified to less than one year without educational services EXPALT – One year expulsion and educational services REMOVEOTHER – Other reasons such as death, withdrawal, or incarceration OTHERDISACTION – Another type of disciplinary action NOACTION – No disciplinary action taken MISSING
Grade Level (Basic w/ 13)	169	15	String	A	The grade level (primary instructional level) of students.	KG – Kindergarten 01 – Grade 1 02 – Grade 2 03 – Grade 3 04 – Grade 4 05 – Grade 5 06 – Grade 6 07 – Grade 7 08 – Grade 8 09 – Grade 9 10 – Grade 10 11 – Grade 11 12 – Grade 12 13 – Grade 13 UG – Ungraded MISSING
Discipline Method (Firearms–IDEA)	184	50	String	A	The methods used to discipline students who are children with disabilities (IDEA) involved in firearms and other outcomes of firearms incidents.	EXPMOD – Expulsion modified to less than one year with educational services under IDEA EXPNOTMOD – One year expulsion with educational services under IDEA OTHERDISACTION – Another type of disciplinary action REMOVEOTHER – Other reasons such as death, withdrawal, or incarceration NOACTION – No disciplinary action MISSING
Total Indicator	234	1	String	M	An indicator that defines the count level – see table 2.3-1 “Required Categories and Totals”	N – Specifies category set

Data Element Name	Start Position	Length	Type	Pop	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
Explanation	235	200	String	O	Text field for state use	
Student Count	435	10	Number	M		
Carriage Return / Line Feed (CRLF)	445	1		M		

Below is an example of a data record, this is the set of data that should be submitted for each education unit. See section 2.3-1.

Table 4.2–2: Data Record Example – LEA level

Aggregation	Example
Format	File Record Number,State Code,State Agency Number,State LEA Identifier,Filler,Table Name,Weapon,Discipline Method (Firearms–not IDEA),Grade Level (Basic w/ 13),Discipline Method (Firearms–IDEA),Total Indicator,Explanation,Student Count¶
Category Set A	13,80,01,1002020,,CHLINVWFRARM,HANDGUNS,,12,,N,,10¶
Category Set B	21,80,01,1002020,,CHLINVWFRARM,,EXPALT,,,N,,10¶
Category Set C	22,80,01,1002020,,CHLINVWFRARM,,,,EXPMOD,N,,10¶

5.0 XML SPECIFICATIONS

The XML files contain three (3) distinct metric objects and a file transmit object. The structure of the objects contains a node that defines the education unit that corresponds to the submitted metric. The structure also contains nodes that represent the characteristics of the metric (see table 2.3-1 for a list of the characteristics used in this file), the associated value, and whether the metric value is a subtotal or total of the education unit. The metric objects are contained within the file transmission objects that define the group of values that is being submitted.

The XML specifications are represented in a table with the headings:

- Element – name of the XML element tag
- Attribute – name of the XML attribute tag
- Category Value – name of the category
- Char – the XML element or attribute characteristic see table 5.0-1 below
- Definition/Comments – definition and additional comments related to formats or other business rules
- Permitted Values – values for data elements

The Char (characteristics) column in the XML format matrices accepts the following codes:

Table 5.0-1: XML Format Codes

Code	Characteristic
M	Mandatory Element/Attribute
O	Optional
C	Conditionally Required
MR	Mandatory and Repeatable Element
OR	Optional and Repeatable Element
CR	Conditional and Repeatable Element

The size of the fields is found in the record layouts in section 4.1 and 4.2.

5.1 Category XML Object

The category XML object is used to define the characteristics associated with a count. There may be zero, one, or more categories defined for a count.

Table 5.1-1: Category XML Object Definition

Element	Attribute	Data Element Name (from Fixed Format document)	Category Value	Char	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
CATEGORY						
	TYPE			M	The category(ies) for the table type.	
		Weapon				WEAPONTYPE
		Grade Level (Basic w/ 13)				GRADELVBASICW13
		Discipline Method (Firearms–Not IDEA)				FAINCNOTIDEA
		Discipline Method (Firearms–IDEA)				FAINCIDEA
	VALUE			M	The category permitted value.	
			WEAPONTYPE		The type of weapon.	HANDGUNS – Handguns RIFLESHOTGUN – Rifles/Shotguns MULTIPLE – More than one type of weapon or firearm OTHER – See section 2.4
			GRADELVBASICW13		The grade level (primary instructional level) of students.	KG - Kindergarten 01 – Grade 1 02 – Grade 2 03 – Grade 3 04 – Grade 4 05 – Grade 5 06 – Grade 6 07 – Grade 7 08 – Grade 8 09 – Grade 9 10 – Grade 10 11 – Grade 11 12 – Grade 12 13 – Grade 13 UG - Ungraded MISSING

Element	Attribute	Data Element Name (from Fixed Format document)	Category Value	Char	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
			FAINCNOTIDEA		The method used to discipline students who are not children with disabilities (IDEA) involved in firearms and other outcomes of firearms incidents.	EXPNOTMODNOALT – One year expulsion and no educational services EXPMODALT - Expulsion modified to less than one year with educational services EXPMODNOALT – Expulsion modified to less than one year without educational services EXPALT – One year expulsion and educational services REMOVEOTHER – Other reasons such as death, withdrawal, or incarceration OTHERDISACTION – Another type of disciplinary action NOACTION – No disciplinary action taken
			FAINCIDEA		The methods used to discipline students who are children with disabilities (IDEA) involved in firearms and other outcomes of firearms incidents.	EXPMOD – Expulsion modified to less than one year with educational services under IDEA EXPNOTMOD – One year expulsion with educational services under IDEA OTHERDISACTION – Another type of disciplinary action REMOVEOTHER – Other reasons such as death, withdrawal, or incarceration NOACTION – No disciplinary action

Table 5.1-2: Category XML Object Example

Format	<CATEGORY TYPE="CATEGORY VALUE" VALUE="PERMITTED VALUE"/>
Example	<CATEGORY TYPE="WEAPONTYPE" VALUE="RIFLESHOTGUN"/>

5.2 Table Type XML Object

The table type XML object is used to define the type and value of the count. It may contain category XML objects to define additional characteristics.

Table 5.2-1: Table Type XML Object Definition

Element	Data Element Name (from Fixed Format document)	Attribute	Char	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
TABLETYPE					
	Table Name	TYPEABBRV	M	See section 1.0	CHLINVWFRARM
	Total Indicator	TOTALINDICATOR	M	An indicator that defines the count level. See table 2.3-1 "Required Categories and Totals"	N – Specifies category set
CATEGORY			M	The categories used to define the characteristics associated with the count.	
AMOUNT	Student Count		M		
EXPLANATION	Explanation		O	Text field for state use	

Table 5.2-2: Examples of Table Type XML Objects

Format	<pre><TABLETYPE TYPEABBRV="Table Name" TOTALINDICATOR="N or Y"> <insert category object(s)> <AMOUNT>##</AMOUNT> <EXPLANATION>text for state use</EXPLANATION> </TABLETYPE></pre>
Example of Category Set A	<pre><TABLETYPE TYPEABBRV="CHLINVWFRARM" TOTALINDICATOR="N"> <CATEGORY TYPE="WEAPONTYPE" VALUE="RIFLESHOTGUN"/> <CATEGORY TYPE="GRADELVBASICW13" VALUE="12"/> <AMOUNT>2</AMOUNT> <EXPLANATION> text for state use </EXPLANATION > </TABLETYPE></pre>

5.3 Agency XML Object

This section defines the XML object used to submit all metric information. The XML object matrix is followed by an example of the object.

Table 5.3-1: Agency XML Object Definition

Element	Data Element Name (from Fixed Format document)	Attribute	Char	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
AGENCY					
	DG559 State Code	FIPSSTATECODE	M	The two-digit American National Standards Institute (ANSI) code for the state, District of Columbia, and the possessions and freely associated areas of the United States.	For a list of valid State Codes, refer to the ED Facts Workbook.
	DG570 State Agency Number	STATEAGENCYIDNUMBER	M	A number used to uniquely identify state agencies. This ID cannot be updated through this file.	01 – State Education Agency
	DG4 State LEA Identifier	STATELEAIDNUMBER	M	The identifier assigned to a local education agency (LEA) by the state education agency (SEA). Also known as State LEA ID. This data element cannot be updated through this file.	SEA – Not used
TABLETYPE			M	The XML Object used to define the type and value of the count.	

Table 5.3-2: Examples of Agency XML Objects

Level	Example
Format	<pre><AGENCY FIPSSTATECODE="##" STATEAGENCYIDNUMBER="01"STATELEAIDNUMBER="Permitted Value"> <TABLETYPE> Table Type XML Object </TABLETYPE > </AGENCY></pre>
SEA	<pre><AGENCY FIPSSTATECODE="80" STATEAGENCYIDNUMBER="01"> <TABLETYPE> Table Type XML Object </TABLETYPE> </AGENCY></pre>
LEA	<pre><AGENCY FIPSSTATECODE="80" STATEAGENCYIDNUMBER="01"STATELEAIDNUMBER="1256"> <TABLETYPE> Table Type XML Object </TABLETYPE> </AGENCY></pre>

5.4 File Transmit XML Object

The purpose of the File Transmit XML Object is to provide information as to the file type, file identifier, and file reporting period.

Table 5.4-1: File Transmit XML Object Definition

Element	Data Element Name (from Fixed Format document)	Attribute	Char	Definition / Comments	Permitted Values Abbreviations
FILETRANSMISSION			M		
	File Type	FILELAYOUTTYPE	M	Identifies the type of file being submitted.	SEA CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH FIREARMS LEA CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH FIREARMS
	File Identifier	FILEID	M	Any combination of standard characters to further identify the file as specified by the SEA (e.g., a date, person's name, and version number).	
	File Reporting Period	SCHOOLYEAR	M	The school year for which data are being reported. The required format is "CCYY-CCYY" or "CCYY CCYY", where either a hyphen or a space must separate the beginning and ending years.	2014-2015 OR 2014 2015
AGENCY			MR	The information that fully identifies the education unit.	

Table 5.4-2: Examples of File Transmission XML Objects

Level	Example
Format	<pre><FILETRANSMISSION FILELAYOUTTYPE="Permitted Value" FILEID="File Identifier" SCHOOLYEAR="Permitted Value"> <AGENCY> Agency XML Object </AGENCY> </FILETRANSMISSION></pre>
SEA	<pre><FILETRANSMISSION FILELAYOUTTYPE="SEA CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH FIREARMS" FILEID="characters to identify file" SCHOOLYEAR="2014 2015"> <AGENCY>Agency XML Object </AGENCY> </FILETRANSMISSION></pre>
LEA	<pre><FILETRANSMISSION</pre>

	<pre>FILELAYOUTTYPE="LEA CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH FIREARMS" FILEID="characters to identify file" SCHOOLYEAR="2014 2015"> <AGENCY>Agency XML Object </AGENCY> </FILETRANSMISSION></pre>
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