(NC) Grade Level Retention and Promotion (RP)

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Summary

Use the **(NC) Grade Level Retention and Promotion (RP)** validation to review student grade level progression for a reporting year. The reports include summary counts, student level details and cleanup results that help explain promotion, retention, reclassification, graduation, and summer school outcomes.

Use the active reporting year reports to review current data. The final retained snapshot is created for historical reporting and is not used for active data validation.

What the Grade Level Retention and Promotion (RP) Report Answers

The RP reports help answer these questions:

- How many students are in each reporting population, by grade and in total?
- How many students had an end of year retained or reclassified outcome, and how many had a final retained or reclassified outcome?
- How many students with an end of year retained or reclassified outcome had qualifying summer Enrollment or Summer Education program records, and how many of those students had a summer outcome of Promoted or Graduated?
- Which student records need review to explain a count or outcome?

Reporting Year and Reporting School

The **reporting year** is the school year being reviewed. For example, reporting year 2025-2026 ends in 2026.

The **reporting school** is the school associated with the student's reporting year record. Run the report for a selected school or for the full district. Summer Education program records may come from across the PSU.

Understand the Populations and Outcomes

The summary reports count students in 2 different ways. Each population supports a different reporting need.

Report	What the student count is based on	Reporting use
RPS01 - Month 9 MLD Summary	Students included in Month 9 PMR Membership Last Day (MLD) NVIO, subject to the RP Population rules.	NCDPI Statistical Profile (https://www.dpi.nc.gov/data-reports)
RPS02 - EOY Enrollment Summary	Students enrolled as of the last day of the reporting school's reporting year who meet the eligible membership criteria	Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) (https://www.ed.gov/laws-and-policy/civil-rights-laws/civil-rights-data-collection-crdc)

If an unexpected student is not included, use RPD01 - Full Detail to compare the student's pmrPopulationFlag, enrollmentLastDayPopulationFlag, and genuineEarlyLeaver values. These fields help identify which population rule affected the student's count.

The reports use two outcome fields:

- **finalReportingOutcomeType** shows the student's progression outcome based on available end of year, summer, administrative no show, and current year enrollment information. The result may be Promoted, Retained, Reclassified, Graduated, Continued XG, Review, or Undetermined.
- **reportingOutcome** shows how an eligible student is counted for official PMR reporting. The result is Progressed or Retained. It may be blank when the student is not eligible or the outcome is unresolved. Reclassified students are included in Retained; promoted, graduated, and continued XG students are included in Progressed.

An early leaver may have a final progression outcome for review purposes but be excluded from progression counts. For a PMR-eligible student, a final result of **Review** or **Undetermined** means there is no publishable reporting outcome.

Refresh and Finalization

For the 2025-26 reporting year, the refresh will continue updating until December 4, 2026 and the final snapshot will be created on December 5, 2026.

The Retention and Promotion data refreshes nightly from **July 15 through November 4**. After correcting source data, allow the nightly refresh to run before reviewing the updated results.

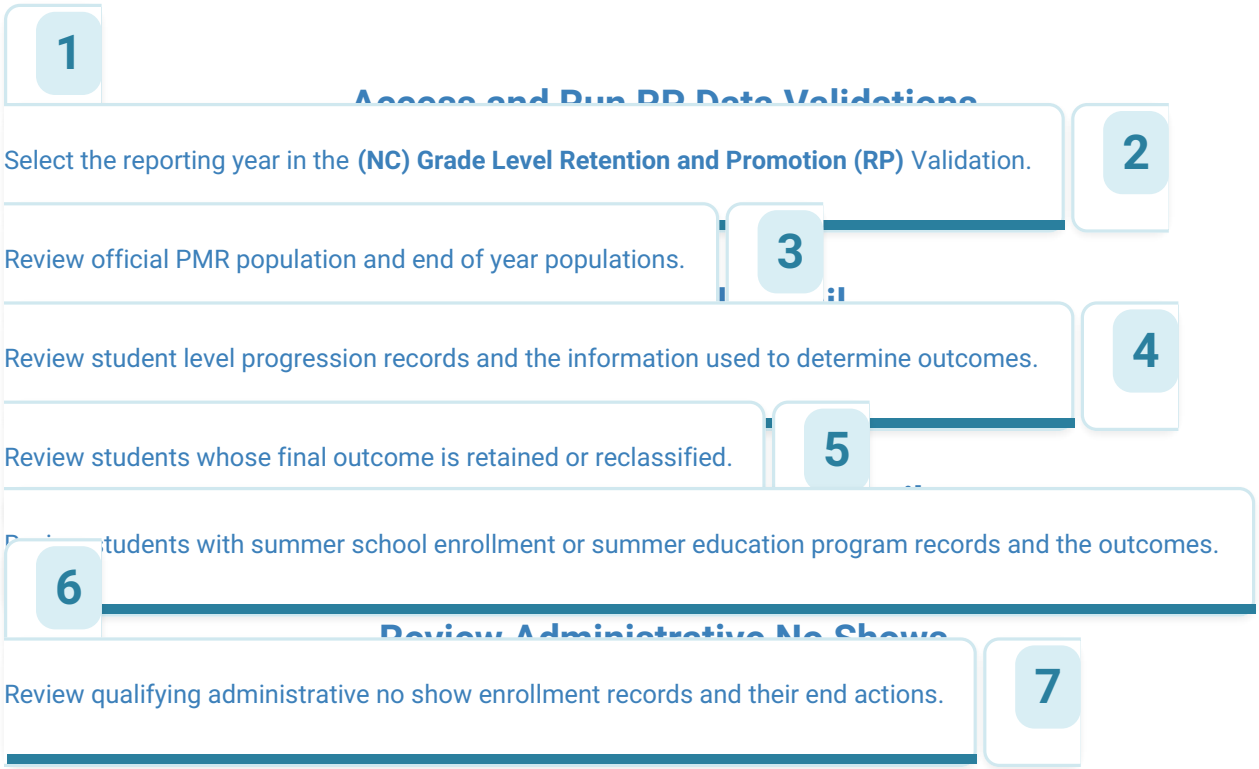
The final retained snapshot is created on **November 5** and becomes static historical output. Complete review and needed data corrections before the snapshot is created.

Recommended Review Workflow

1. Run the **(NC) Grade Level Retention and Promotion (RP)** validation for the reporting year.

2. **Review the RPS01 - PMR Summary** and **RPS02 - EOY Summary.** Compare the population counts and retained or reclassified counts by grade and in the All row.
3. When a count or outcome needs explanation, use RPD01 - Full Detail to review the student level information and population flags. Use RPD02 - Retained/Reclassified, RPD03 - Summer School Enrollment, or RPD04 - Administrative No-Shows when the student's outcome involves retained or reclassified records, summer records, or administrative no show records.
4. Review the applicable RP cleanup validations and follow the guidance for each result.
5. Review source records. Correct data only when the source information is inaccurate.
6. Allow the nightly refresh to run, then generate the RP validation reports again to verify the updated results.
7. Complete the review and needed corrections before the final snapshot date. (*For 2025-26 reporting year, all review should be completed before December 5*)
8. Correct retention/promotion records. Use the Retention/Promotion (https://ncdepartmentofpublicinstruction.knowledgeowl.com/home/retentionpromotion) articles to correct source records when the verified decision was entered incorrectly. For a decision made after the end of the school year, see Retentions/Promotions End of Summer (https://ncdepartmentofpublicinstruction.knowledgeowl.com/home/summerretentionpromotion). For an incorrectly entered prior year End Action or current year grade, see Retention/Promotion Corrections (https://ncdepartmentofpublicinstruction.knowledgeowl.com/home/retentionpromotion-corrections).

A cleanup result identifies a record to review. It does not automatically mean that the student record is incorrect.



Review cleanup results and find guidance for each rule.

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Use Retention/Promotion articles for end of year, summer, correction, and during the year processes.