# SY 2025-26 Sponsors to Conduct the Error-Prone (Standard) Verification Method

Due to having a low response rate (less than 80% of households responded) during last year's free & reduced verification process, the following sponsors must conduct the error-prone (Standard) Verification method during SY 2023-24 and select 3% of the approved application to verify from those considered 'error-prone'.

An error-prone applications is within $100 per month or $1,200 annually of the anual Income Eligibility Guideline cut off points.  It is recommended that sponsors needing to conduct the error-prone method of verification identify F/R applications considered 'error-prone' upon originally approving or ensure utilized software is capable of identifying error-prone applications for the verification process.

| Sponsor # | Sponsor Name | SY 2024-2025 | SY 2025-2026 |
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| | | Household App Response Rate to the Verification Process | Required Verification Method |
| 0536 | Alder-Upper Ruby Elem | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0366 | Anderson Elementary | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0368 | Belgrade Public Schools | 66.67% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0966 | Billings Public Schools | 75.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0590 | Bonner Elementary | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0548 | Circle Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0712 | Deer Lodge School District No1 | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 1240 | East Helena Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0087 | Ekalaka Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0743 | Florence-Carlton K-12 Schls | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0133 | Fort Benton Public Schls | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0206 | Glendive Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0487 | Helena Public Schools | 40.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0060 | Joliet Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0323 | Kila Elementary | 33.33% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0970 | Laurel Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0588 | Lolo Elementary | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0172 | Miles City Public Schools | 66.67% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0583 | Missoula Co Public Schls | 50.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0363 | Monforton Elementary | 50.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0846 | Park City Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0605 | Roundup Public Schools | 50.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0537 | Sheridan Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 0746 | Sidney Public Schools | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |
| 1225 | Sun River Valley Pub Schls | 0.00% | Error-Prone (Standard) |

All remaining unlisted sponsors had  80% or more of households respond to the verification process during SY 2023-2024 and qualify for either the Random (Alternate One) or the Alternate Two verification methods during SY 2024-2025.

| Verification Sample Methods | | |
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| Do not include applications already confirmed as directly certified in the total count of applications that are in the pool of those subject to verification as their eligibility has already been confirmed from the program source. | | |
| Error-Prone (Standard) | Error-Prone (Standard) method required if less than 80% of the household apps responded to last year's verification process. | 3% of all applications approved as of Oct 1, selected from error prone applications. |
| Random (Alternate One) | May conduct the Random (Alternate One) method if 80% or more of the household apps responded to last year's verification process. | 3% of all applications approved as of Oct 1, selected at random. |
| Focused (Alternate Two) | May conduct the Focused (Alternate Two) method if 80% or more of the household apps responded to last year's verification process. | 1% of all applications approved as of Oct 1, selected from error-prone applications.<br>PLUS .5% of applications approved as of Oct 1, selected from categorically eligible applications (household provided case # or categorical program on app) but NOT directly certified in DCA. |