

FATAL-27

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Rule: Students Whose Start Date Is Before the Calendar's First Instructional Day

Summary

This validation identifies students whose enrollment **Start Date** is before the calendar's first instructional day.

Review the student's enrollment to determine whether the enrollment should have been processed as a **No Show** or whether the Start Date is incorrect.

Severity

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What to Review

For each student reported in the validation, review the applicable enrollment and the student's initial attendance.

- Search for the student.
- Open *Student Information > General > Enrollments*.
- Select the applicable enrollment record.
- Review the **Start Date**.
- Review the **No Show** checkbox.

General Enrollment Information

Enrollment ID 952376

Calendar
26-27 Monroe High School

Schedule (read only)
Main

*Grade
9

Class Rank Exclude ☐

External LMS Exclude ☐

*Start Date
07/01/2026

No Show ☐

End Date

End Action

*Service Type
P: Primary

*Local Start Status
E1: Init enroll - this year

Local End Status
Select a Value

State Start Status
E1: Init enroll - this year

State End Status

- Compare the Start Date with the calendar's first instructional day in Day Setup.
- Determine whether the student attended school under the enrollment.
- If the student attended, determine the student's first day of attendance that met the initial enrollment day requirements.

Note: A student must meet the initial enrollment day attendance requirements to be counted in membership. Refer to the **School Attendance and Student Accounting (SASA) Manual** (<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/district-operations/financial-and-business-services/student-accounting>) for requirements and applicable exceptions.

Recommended Action

Determine whether the enrollment should be processed as a No Show or whether the Start Date should be corrected.

Enrollment Should Have Been Processed as a No Show

If the student did not attend and the enrollment should have been processed as a No Show:

- Confirm that the student did not attend under the enrollment.
- Open the applicable enrollment record.
- Review the **Start Date** and **End Date**.
- Confirm that the enrollment information reflects the applicable No Show process. Use the [End Enrollments | NC Department of Public Instruction](https://ncdepartmentofpublicinstruction.knowledgeowl.com/home/end-enrollments) (<https://ncdepartmentofpublicinstruction.knowledgeowl.com/home/end-enrollments>) articles for guidance on No Showing student enrollments.
- Check **No Show**.
- Select **Save**.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "General Enrollment Information". It includes fields for "Enrollment ID 952376", "Calendar 26-27 Monroe High School", and "Schedule (read only) Main". The "Start Date" is set to 07/01/2026. The "No Show" checkbox is highlighted with a red box and is currently unchecked. The "End Date" is set to 7/1/2026.

Tip: Review enrollments with Start Date and End Date of 7/1 to determine whether the enrollment was processed as a No Show but the **No Show** checkbox was not selected.

Enrollment Start Date is Incorrect

If the student attended school but the enrollment Start Date is incorrect:

- Review the student's attendance and enrollment documentation.
- Determine the first instructional day the student met the initial enrollment day attendance requirements.
- Open the applicable enrollment record.
- Update **Start Date** to the appropriate date.
- Select **Save**.

General Enrollment Information	
Enrollment ID 952376	
Calendar 26-27 Monroe High School	
*Start Date	No Show
8/25/2026 	☐

The [SASA Manual](https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/district-operations/financial-and-business-services/student-accounting#SchoolAttendanceandStudentAccountingManualSASA-1394) (<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/district-operations/financial-and-business-services/student-accounting#SchoolAttendanceandStudentAccountingManualSASA-1394>) states that a student must be present for at least 50% of the initial enrollment day to be recorded present, with specific exceptions identified in the manual. When the student does not meet the initial enrollment day requirement, the enrollment date must be moved forward until the requirement is met.



Important: Do not change the Start Date only to place it on or after the first instructional day. The Start Date must accurately reflect the student's initial enrollment according to student account requirements.

Verify the Correction

- Rerun the applicable PMR FATAL Validations.
- Confirm that the student no longer appears in FATAL-27 after the No Show or Start Date information has been corrected.
- Continue reviewing any remaining FATAL validation results.