

## C Dependent Child Income

Policy and procedures regarding earnings of a dependent child are outlined as follows:

- [Dependent Child Income - Not Attending School](#)
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### .01 Dependent Child Income - Not Attending School

Earnings of a [dependent child](#) who is not attending [school](#) are countable.

Key the earnings on EAIC using the CH Earned Income Code.

### .02 Dependent Child Income - Under Age 18

[REVISION 51](#)  
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Earnings of a [dependent child](#) under age 18 who attends [school](#) at least half-time, as defined by the school, are not countable.

NOTE When school attendance of the dependent child is not verified, the earnings of the dependent child are countable. Earnings of the dependent child are also countable when the child is not under the [parental control\(g\)](#) of an adult NA budgetary unit participant. Key the earnings on EAIC using the CF Earned Income Code.

Consider the student as meeting school attendance criteria during temporary interruptions of school attendance due to semester recess or vacation periods. This applies as long as the child will return to school following the recess.

Key the earnings on EAIC using the CX Earned Income Code.

NOTE School attendance must be verified for new applications, renewal applications, and when a change is reported for the dependent child, when the dependent child has earnings. (See [Dependent Child Student Status Verification](#) sources for a list of acceptable documents to verify school attendance.)

### .03 Dependent Child Income - Age 18 and Over

[REVISION 05](#)  
(07/01/08 – 09/30/08)

Earnings of a child age 18 and over are countable.

Key the earnings on **EAIC** using the WA Earned Income Code for the month following the month the child turns 18.

#### **EXCEPTION**

Earnings of a child age 18 to 19 are not countable for CA when the child meets the [CA Student Criteria](#).

Key the earnings on EAIC using the CF Earned Income Code.

### .04 Dependent Child Income - School Definition

For purposes of counting or not counting earnings of a child, school is defined as the following:

- Any recognized elementary, middle, high school or training program affiliated with these institutions.
- Vocational Training or General Education Development (GED) classes preparing the child for the GED examination.
- Home schooling recognized or supervised by the state or local school district (request verification when [questionable\(g\)](#)).
- An accredited correspondence course to obtain a high school diploma.

#### **NA EXCEPTION**

Do not consider an accredited correspondence course to obtain a high school diploma as school for NA.