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1.0 BACKGROUND

This document provides a description of the technical enhancements to the *EDFacts* Submission System (ESS) version 14.0 released in December 2017.

EDFacts is a centralized, coordinated repository of state reported, K through 12, educational data residing at the U.S. Department of Education. The *EDFacts* Submission System is an electronic system that facilitates the efficient and timely transmission of data from state education agencies (SEAs) to the U.S. Department of Education (ED).

2.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to provide the users of the *EDFacts* Submission System (ESS) with up-to-date information about improvements, including new features, data quality measures, reporting enhancements that have been made to the system with the new software release.

This document lists all system enhancements and documentation updates implemented with ESS Release 14.0. Most of the enhancements include support for ongoing maintenance and enhancements of the ESS.

Where applicable, items are prefixed with corresponding JIRA ticket numbers, which are defects or enhancement requests. For example, "Ticket-123" refers to the JIRA ticket. "PSC 123456" refers to the SIR opened by the Partner Support Center (PSC). PSC tickets will be converted to JIRA tickets and included with enhancement tickets.

3.0 SUMMARY OF IMPROVEMENTS

3.1 Application Updates

The primary purpose of the ESS Release 14.0 (December 2017) release is to enhance the ESS to allow for the collection of remaining school year (SY) 2016-17 file specification data that are due on or before February 14, 2018; to allow for the collection of the first SY 2017-18 file specification data due on or before January 26, 2018; and to implement data collection functionality and data quality updates related to this data.

SY 2016-17 and SY 2017-18 file specifications are posted on the [Department of Education Home page](#) at the following link: [EDFacts Community - GRADS 360 Data Submission Organizer](#).

The following outline summarizes the enhancements implemented with ESS Release 14.0. Additional details for each of the following components are provided in the sections below.

- 1) Implement a total of 21 file specifications for SY 2016-17.
 - a) 11 file specifications were rolled over with no changes for SY 2016-17
 - b) 10 file specifications were rolled over with changes for SY 2016-17

- 2) Implement a total of 7 file specifications for SY 2017-18.
 - a) 4 file specifications were rolled over with no changes for SY 2017-18
 - b) 3 file specification was rolled over with changes for SY 2017-18
- 3) ESS Data Framework updated to include technical changes for SY 2016-17 and SY 2017-18.
- 4) Existing Business Rules updated.
- 5) Discontinue a total of 3 file specifications (030, 094 and 166) for SY 2016-17.

3.1.1 SY 2016-17 and SY 2017-18 File Specifications with No Changes

The following table lists all of the SY 2016-17 file specifications enabled in ESS Release 14.0 with no changes.

Table 1a – SY 2016-17 File Specifications enabled with no changes

File	SY 2016-17 File Specification Name
032	Dropouts
113	N or D Academic Achievement - State Agency
119	N or D participation table for state agency
125	N or D Academic Achievement – LEA
127	N or D Participation – LEA
131	LEA End of SY Status
134	Title I Part A Participation
165	Migrant Data
180	N or D in Programs Outcomes
181	N or D Exited Programs Outcomes
193	Title I Allocations

The following table lists all of the SY 2017-18 file specifications enabled in ESS Release 14.0 with no changes.

Table 1b – SY 2017-18 File Specifications enabled with no changes

File	SY 2017-18 File Specification Name
029	Directory
039	Grades offered
197	Crosswalk of Charter Schools to Management Organizations
198	Charter Contracts

3.1.2 SY 2016-17 and SY 2017-18 File Specifications with Technical Changes

The following table lists the technical changes approved for SY 2016-17 and implemented with ESS Release 14.0.

Table 2a – SY 2016-17 File Specifications enabled with technical changes

File	SY 2016-17 File Specification Name
036	Title I Part A TAS Services
037	Title I Part A SWP/TAS Participation
040	Graduates/ Completers
054	MEP Students Served - 12 Months
065	Federally Funded Staff
086	Students Involved with Firearms
145	MEP Services
150	Regulatory Adjusted-Cohort Graduation Rate
151	Cohorts for Regulatory Adjusted-Cohort Graduation Rate
167	School Improvement Grants

The following table lists the technical changes approved for SY 2017-18 and implemented with ESS Release 14.0.

Table 2b – SY 2017-18 File Specifications enabled with technical changes

File	SY 2017-18 File Specification Name
130	ESEA Status
190	Charter School Authorizer Directory
196	Charter Management Organizations Directory

3.1.3 SY 2016-17 Discontinued File Specifications

The following table lists the SY 2016-17 discontinued file specifications implemented with ESS Release 14.0.

Table 3 – SY 2016-17 Discontinued File Specifications to be disabled

File	SY 2016-17 File Specification Name
030	Discipline Incidents
094	Firearm Incidents
166	Evaluation of Staff

The changes to these file specifications can be viewed in the file specification documents available on the [EDFacts Initiative Home page](#).

3.1.4 SY 2016-17 and SY 2017-18 ESS Business Rule Updates

The following table lists the new and updated Business Rules for SY 2016-17 and SY 2017-18 implemented with ESS Release 14.0.

Change Type	Rule IDs
Discontinued Business Rules for SY 2016-17 and forward	Discontinued the following Business Rules for FS 032 and 040: S032-R01, S032-R02, S032-R03, S032-R04, S032-R05, S032-R06, S032-R07, S032-R09, S032-R10, S032-R11, S032-R12, S032-R13, S032-R14, S032-R15, S032-R16, S032-R17, S032-R18, S032-R19, S032-R20, S032-R21, S032-R22, S032-R23 S040-R01, S040-R02, S040-R05, S040-R06, S040-R07, S040-R09, S040-R10, S040-R11, S040-R12, S040-R14, S040-R15, S040-R16, S040-R17, S040-R18, S040-R19, S040-R20, S040-R21, S040-R22, S040-R23, S040-R24, S040-R25, S040-R28, S040-R29, S040-R30, S040-R31, S040-R32, S040-R33, S040-R34, S040-R35 ER-101, ER-102
Changed Business Rules	Changed the following Business Rule to trigger: ER-2 and ER-3
New Business Rules	The following New Business Rules for FS 196 and 197: S196-R01, S196-R02 and S197-R01 The following New Business Rules to trigger: ER-128, ER-129, ER-130, ER-131 and ER-132

All enabled Business Rules are included in the *EDFacts Business Rules Guide v14.0* posted on the [EDFacts Initiative Home page](#).

Version 14.0 of the Business Rules Guide will be posted to the [Department of Education Home page](#) shortly following the release of ESS Release 14.0. This Business Rules Guide will include any updated or newly enabled Business Rules and will not include any disabled Business Rules for SY 2016-17 or SY 2017-18. The PSC will issue a broadcast message indicating when the updated Business Rules Guide is available.



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