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NEW! EMAPS Outage Monday Morning, April 1, 2013

On Sunday, EDUCATE will be applying security patches that will require a restart of our EMAPS server. The restart will be done as soon and as quickly as possible Monday morning. Until the restart is complete, users may not be able to access EMAPS.

Reminder: SY 2011-12 CSPR Part II Re-Opened for Corrections March 25, 2013

Part II of the CSPR re-opened on Monday, March 25 for corrections. It will remain open until 5:00PM ET on Friday, April 5; any ED Facts data must be resubmitted by 8:00 PM ET on Thursday, April 4

REMINDER: Suspension of File Processing at 8:01 p.m., EST Thursday, April 4 For CSPR Data Verification

The deadline to submit files for the reopen period for Part II of the SY 2011-12 CSPR is Thursday, April 4, 2013. Once the 8:00 p.m. EST deadline has passed, file processing will be halted to accommodate Data Quality Assurance (DQA) activities for CSPR. File processing will stop at 8:01 p.m., EST Thursday, April 4 and resume sometime on Friday, April 5. During this time, files can be uploaded to ESS as usual, but file processing to the database will be suspended. Submitted files will appear "stuck" in 'Received' status. These files will not actually be stuck, but rather waiting for the database to be restarted so that they can be processed.

Error processing will be functioning normally, so errors in files will be identified prior to them being moved to the database for staging. Please continue to monitor your submissions for errors, but no files will receive 'Transmittal OK' until processing is resumed. If your state submits a file and it does not receive errors. It is likely ready to be staged into the database and will be, in the order it was received, once file processing resumes.

Barring complications, file processing is scheduled to resume the following day. PSC will notify states when processing has resumed. We apologize for any inconvenience.

NEW! SY 2013-14 File Specifications Posted to ED.gov

ED has begun posting SY 2013-14 file specifications on ED.gov. File Specifications can be found at the following link:

<http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/edfacts/sy-13-14-nonxml.html>

NEW! Review and Comment on SY 2013-14 FS 052 - Membership

A draft of the SY 2013-14 *EDFacts* FS052 – Membership has been posted. New definitions for reporting students in Grade 13 or Adult Education have been added. States are invited to review the file specification and send any comments or questions to PSC by April 12. ED will review state comments and questions and revise the guidance accordingly.

Final Reminder: Guns Free Schools Act Survey is Due Sunday, March 31, 2012

The Guns Free Schools Act Survey (GFSA) process is open in *EMAPS*. Please complete your state's survey by the deadline, Sunday, March 31, 2012.

Reminder: Accessing Public Data Files on Data.gov and Approved SY 2013-14 EDFacts Clearance Package: PSC Online Meeting with States on April 3, 2013

ED will review the approved *EDFacts* Clearance submission for SY 2013-14 during the PSC Monthly Online Meeting with States in April. ED will also provide information on how to access public data files on *data.gov*. The April meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 3, from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., EDT.

ED encourages States to invite any additional staff who might benefit from this review.

To register for this Webinar, please click on the following link:

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/264157624>

Reminder: EDFacts Three-Year Clearance Request Has Been Approved

OMB has approved the *EDFacts* three-year clearance request. The final package approved for collection includes the following new items:

- Virtual school status
- Charter school authorizer directory information
- Students sent to or received from schools outside the LEA
- Grade 13 added as a permitted value for certain data groups
- Changes to the migrant collection as outlined during the 60-day comment period

Proposed changes included in either the 60-day and 30-day comment periods that will NOT be made include:

- The collection of NSLP Directly Certified Students and FRPL Lunches Served
- Collecting data on all schools for data groups that were formerly collected only for Tier I and Tier II SIG schools

Additional information on the new data set will be shared in a PSC webinar to be held on Wednesday, April 3 at 3PM EDT.

Reminder: EMAPS Part B MOE Reduction and CEIS Training Webinar Was Held March 26, 2013

OSEP, ED*Facts*, and Partner Support Center (PSC) conducted an *EMAPS* Part B Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Reduction and Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS) Training Webinar on Tuesday, March 26. The Webinar presented an overview of the Part B MOE Reduction and CEIS data collection process as well as a demonstration of the submission system in *EMAPS*.

A PDF of the PPT used on the webinar is attached to this Support Update. The Questions Log is being finalized and will be attached to a future Support Update.

The following are links to download the recordings of the session and the full PowerPoint presentation:

Recording: <http://www.mediafire.com/?gyf63bnv69sr2vw>

Powerpoint: <http://www.mediafire.com/view/?lj7v5wempbs0wks>

The User Guide is also attached to this Support Update.

Reminder: Graduation Rate Metadata Survey

PSC sent the 21-question, short-answer survey pertaining to regulatory adjusted cohort graduation rates to ED*Facts* coordinators on Wednesday, March 20. Please forward the survey to whomever in your agency is responsible for setting the guidelines for the state's adjusted cohort graduation rate. Responses are due back to PSC by Friday, April 19. As you are aware, the graduation rate data submitted through ED*Facts* are receiving extensive scrutiny and use, and the Department would like to better understand the variations in state policies and procedures in calculating the rates, particularly in how states are defining their cohorts. The information you provide is primarily for internal use within the Department; however, if the information would be useful in understanding anomalies in the data, some of the information may be shared in the explanatory notes included with public releases of the graduation rate data reported to ED*Facts*.

Reminder: SSS IDEA Survey Opened Monday March 18th

The State Supplemental Survey for IDEA Metadata is available on the EMAPS homepage for review and submission through April 1, 2013. An automated message was sent on March 18 when the survey was deployed. OSEP identified the IDEA Part B Data Manager as the person to respond to the survey; the ED Facts Coordinator has read-only status for this application. If you have misplaced this password, or otherwise need help accessing EMAPS for this survey please contact PSC. The user guide, explaining the new functionalities and navigation and new questions within the State Supplemental Survey is attached.

Reminder: EMAPS IDEA-SSS Training Webinar Was Held March 18, 2013

PSC conducted an EMAPS IDEA State Supplemental Survey (SSS) Training Webinar on Monday, March 18, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. EDT. The Webinar was an introduction to and overview of the SSS Process as well as a demonstration of the survey in EMAPS.

The Questions Log from the Webinar is available from PSC.

The following are links to download a recording of the session and the full PowerPoint presentation:

Recording: <http://www.mediafire.com/?q4qdx77idno0u>

Powerpoint: <http://www.mediafire.com/view/?kucpfj8y4pkd9>

Reminder: Public Release of SY 2010-11 School Level Adjusted Cohort Grad Rates and Cohort Counts

A dataset containing SY 2010-11 school-level adjusted cohort graduation rates and cohort counts was publicly released on Tuesday, March 5 on the data.gov website. This is the dataset that was available for preview over the past week for those states that requested access through PSC. The dataset and accompanying documentation may be accessed at <https://explore.data.gov/Education/Adjusted-Cohort-Graduation-Rates-at-the-school-lev/m5pw-2ea9>.

Upcoming Due Dates and Reminder to Update SSP as Necessary

SY 2011-12 Files

OESE/ OSHS Files (Due March 02)

- C086 Students Involved with Firearms
- C094 Firearm Incidents
- C163 Discipline Data

Flexibility Files (Due March 31)

- C171 Academic Achievement – Flexibility Subgroups
- C172 Assessment Participation – Flexibility Subgroups
- C173 Status – Flexibility Subgroups
- C174 Graduation Rates – Flexibility Subgroups
- C177 Cohorts for Graduation Rates – Flexibility Subgroups
- C183 Title I Allocations – Flexibility File

SY 2012-13 Files

NCES/CCD Files

(Due March 31)

- C033 Free and Reduced Price Lunch
- C052 Membership
- C129 CCD School

(Due April 30)

- C046 LEP Students in LEP Program

OSEP Files (Due April 30)

- C002 Children with Disabilities (IDEA) School-Age

NOTE: When a state is granted an extension request to submit a specific file later than the due date, this does not mean that the due date itself has changed.

EDFacts System Status

This is to provide the current status of the EDFacts Submission System (ESS) data:

ESS Status (weekly statistics from Wednesday to Wednesday)

System Status: ESS system is up and running

Files Received: 602

Files Processed: 374 (44 superseded, 181 had errors)

Average File Processing Time: 2 minutes, 06 seconds

Support Issues, Solutions, and Metrics

The following is provided to give you some insight into issues being handled by your Partner Support Center (PSC):

There are no new issues affecting multiple SEAs.

There are no new or updated knowledgebase articles:

Average Time to Resolution (excluding weekends, 6 week rolling average)

Tickets requiring escalation: 6.289 days

Tickets not requiring escalation: 0.674 days

Response time to e-mail inquiries: 0.04 hours

Thank you,
PSC

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