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Title: Determining when a school is in Reconstituted Status (DG 743)

This article explains the use of a new Data Group 743 called Reconstituted Status in the N/X029 Directory file for 2010-2011.

Reconstituted Status is an indication that the school was restructured, transformed or otherwise changed as a consequence of the state's accountability system under ESEA or as a result of School Improvement Grants (SIG), but is not recognized as a new school for CCD purposes.

As background, note that a state may create a new school or LEA (get a new NCES ID assigned) only if one of the following three conditions exists:

- The grade span of the school or LEA changed by more than 3 grades, not including Pre-kindergarten or Kindergarten as grades;
- The school's or LEA's physical location changed and the attendance area changed significantly;
- Two schools or LEAs of about the same size, or with different grade spans, merge. The two original entities would be closed, and the merged education unit would be reported as a new school or agency.

Therefore if a restructured school is New because restructuring actions caused one of the above conditions, use the following permitted value for DG 743 Reconstituted Status:

- No – for schools that undergo restructuring or transformation and receive a new NCES ID and for schools that do not undergo restructuring or transformation.

While a school may be reconstituted for purposes of SIG or ESEA accountability provisions, for purposes of CCD, the school may not be recognized as a new school and thus does not receive a new NCES ID. Data Group 743 provides a record that an existing school has undergone a school restructuring or transformation when it closes and reopens but does not meet the CCD criteria for being recognized as a new school. If a school has undergone restructuring or transformation but does not meet the new school criteria above, continue to report the school as Open, change the state ID if necessary, and report the following permitted value for DG 743:

- Yes – for schools that undergo restructuring or transformation and keep their NCES ID