

ODE Conference Call 6/4/2018

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**Assessment results** – Results for Grades 3-8 and End-of-Course State assessments are supposed to be available online today from AIR, so ODE is expecting lots of assessment data to be reported this week.

The **Secure Data Center (SDC)** should be opening next week for districts to begin seeing their preliminary results after assessment data starts coming in.

ODE just got the complete assessment file today, so it will take some time to process and load into the Data Collector for the missing assessment lists. Currently, those missing assessment lists are only based on enrollment information, but districts will also see the addition of missing students based on them being on the vendor list once the files are loaded. After that, ODE's focus will be on any exceptions to missing lists (e.g., grade 3-8 students who took Algebra will show up on the missing assessment list for 8<sup>th</sup> grade math test based on their enrollment, then once the vendor file is loaded they could potentially also show on the EOC missing assessment list; in the next week or two, once an EOC score is reported, they'll come off the 3-8 missing list also). For the ALT assessment, ODE used GE records to see who to expect, so they may or may not appear on standard missing lists. ODE will look to see who they can remove. Districts can start reporting "Score Not Reported" values as appropriate.

ODE's goal by the end of June is to have missing lists down to almost nothing statewide, so the days leading up to closing on July 18 can be focused on clean-up and problem solving. Districts should take advantage of getting earlier results this year and get scores reported soon.

## **Q&A**

**Q:** Is the Preschool ELA missing list working correctly? Some districts have entered Fall and Spring results, but all Fall is kicking out as "missing, has vendor results". We put in a ticket last Friday, but it was closed this morning, saying to look at another ticket.

**A:** Reopen the helpdesk ticket with examples and we will look.

**Q:** We have a couple districts waiting for test results to see if a student can graduate. When they finally get their diploma, when do the districts withdraw them?

**A:** If their last day of enrollment is the last day of the school year, use that date as their WD date.

**Q:** When is Gen Issues coming out?

**A:** ODE has them ready to go but waiting on loading data from some data managers. We should have *some* checks out this week, and then the number of checks should increase over time. New Gen Issues reports will be Data Collector Level 2 reports, and each check will have its own report.

**Q:** Will that come out in a newsflash?

**A:** Yes, we will need to produce a new version of the manifest so you'll see release notes for it.

**Q:** On the missing assessment reports for spring EOC, we're seeing tickets with several students missing since the new load is not in yet. What is the best advice for them to see what is really missing?

**A:** When ODE loads the vendor file, it will only add missing students so numbers will go up, not down. Once we've done that load, we'll start removing students who had other tests reported. If the district knows that a student took Algebra and doesn't need 8<sup>th</sup> grade math, don't have them put in a Score Not Reported for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade math. If they know the student took another test (ALT, accelerated, etc.), sit patiently and wait for the loads to be completed.

**Q:** FT and attendance, are you anticipating any checks where student's attendance shows they exceeded triggers but no letters were sent? Any check for districts who are not submitting FT at all?

**A:** We can't this first year since the categories don't line up (e.g., Suspensions don't count towards absence thresholds) so it would be hard to see what is missing. Potential changes for next year so ODE can reach that point. There is no subgroup related to attendance information, just a chronic absenteeism indicator. Don't know all the criteria, but there are enrollment and attendance criteria, and the indicator is based on the percent of students who are chronically absent. Calculations have changed slightly from last year. We are not planning a Level 2 report that checks that, but wouldn't be surprised if that would generate a phone call from someone working on HB410, or if there will be a Gen Issues check eventually.

**Q:** We put in a ticket Friday regarding Preschool ELA. According to the guide, typical peers in a Special Ed program need to take the ELA, but a district says that at a fall conference it was indicated this rule is not in effect until FY19. Currently, all their typical peers are on the missing list.

**A:** We'll have to check with ODE's Office of Early Learning. There were also a few districts who got Early Learning grants late, so they were exempt from ELA assessments this year. It will be a few days before we have an answer on that.

### **Next Calls**

Wednesday, June 13 – ODE Change call

Monday, June 18 – ODE Conference call

(FYI: July 4 will be Wednesday this year, so ODE call will still be held on Monday, July 2)