

ODE EMIS Conference Call Summary

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Update from David Ehle:

1) The Secure Data Center (SDC) is open.

- a) ODE is close to finalizing many measures and has a few cleanup items on grad rates based on grad appeals
- b) Do not have value added yet, will not have Value Added data until approximately 9/15/2016.
- c) Reminder that retention data window closes on Wednesday (8/31/2016) at 11:59pm. This impacts the report card and is critical for Third Grade Reading Guarantee. Make sure third-graders are reported.
- d) Question regarding students who left the district and have not returned – need to report them?
 - i) Report the retention reason regardless of whether you still have the student. Unless ODE sees the reading score as passed, the student needs to have a retention reason reported or it will count against district retention score
- e) The appeals window for retention data will be open from 9/1 through 9/8/2016. Important to note: the window will close at 3pm on 9/8/2016.

2) FY17 Summer ELA Assessment Collection

- a) There is a very short timeline between data availability and report card, so ODE intends to use the vendor file.
- b) Summer ELA scores needed for K-3 Literacy – will open collection right away
- c) This collection is critical if district did not identify students with a SSID on the vendor file
- d) ODE will preview the vendor file to see if there are any issues
- e) ODE will check for an overlap between these students with a summer score and scores on the vendor file without and SSID – will try to reach out to those districts
- f) Anyone can submit the 3rd grade summer results
- g) David Ehle sent this update late afternoon on Monday 8/29/2016:

After the call, we received the statewide vendor assessment file for the 3rd grade summer ELA test administration. For the first time since the summer assessment for 3rd grade was added, every student on the statewide file has an SSID listed. This was good news, in that we have always used the summer 3rd grade assessment vendor file to compile to the 3rd grade promotion rate (not the K-3 measure) on the report card, with the reporting of scores by district as a supplement. Since all assessments were listed with an SSID, we will not be opening the Summer 3rd Gr ELA-Reading Collection FY17 (2017AGNSU) as discussed on the call this morning- doing so would be duplicative work for districts for nearly every student. In years past, we had several hundred students

without SSIDs on the file and therefore needed districts to report in case any of those “blank” SSIDs would impact the promotion rate.

The Ed Connect includes the note that we will not be having districts report that data set. However, on the unlikely but possible chance that one of the records in the assessment vendor system lists an incorrect SSID, we will still have the appeal process for the summer reading administration and retention data. If the vendor file was incorrect, an appeal would be in order. Same is true if a retention reason that impacts the 3rd grade promotion measure was not reported or reported with an incorrect value.

There will be some additional information provided on these appeals in the coming days, with the window opening to submit an appeal on Wednesday.

3) Participant Questions regarding the previous topics

- a) A district is submitting retention data, but they have a large number of level-1 errors, mostly for students with no SSID.
 - i) District can ignore those errors if they are new to the district; Not required to report students who are new to the district.
- b) Clarification -- should districts be reporting a retention reason for students who were with you last year and left the district?
 - i) Yes, do whatever it takes to make sure their retention data is reported. If they were with you on the last day of school, then you need to report them. Look at students in SDC counting against you (missing an OAA, no alternative assessment) and add retention reason manually if necessary.
- c) What about students who have a corrected SSID but are getting an error on the old SSID (the SSID they changed from)?
 - i) You should be OK assuming the student is being reported on the new SSID. Look at the preview, as long as the student is reported on old or new, either one, you should be OK. ODE will run a process to get it corrected on their end.
- d) The Student Cross Reference (SCR) will be coming out – if people collect and prepare the SCR – it will add students who are new into the crosswalk. Will this solve the issue?
 - i) There is a possibility the SCR collection will be out before Wednesday, but no promises.
 - ii) Look at SSID detail on promotion rate in SDC and see if any students listed with no retention reason are critical.
- e) David added this bit of clarification: Look for students on missing report. The measure is calculated as the list of students who have a high-enough reading score (placed in numerator automatically) or those who have an exempt reason (which has to be reported – ODE cannot determine this unless reported) making up the numerator; divided by the list of students who did not pass and have no retention reason making up the denominator. Look at the students labelled “inconsistent data” to see if any students should have a retention reason that would move them from being counted in the denominator to being counted in the numerator.

4) Staff and Course “L” extended

- a) Per the email sent late Friday afternoon, there were 16 entities who had not submitted staff attendance data. David noted appreciation to the ITCs who reached out to nudge their districts. The window will definitely close on Tuesday, and the only appeal is associated with funding appeal in October – there is not enough time to do a separate appeal window prior to the Local Report Card (LRC). The window will definitely close on Tuesday.
- b) David was not sure how missing data would be addressed on the LRC – it could possibly be watermarked on the report card. Not sure of the consequences if this is not reported.
- c) Credit elements on courses get updated from the first window so they need that data too
- d) No new CTE reports will be released; You will have to do appeals. Keep data updated in your student data and when you do appeal ODE will reopen collection for the approved appeal districts

5) Finance data

- a) There are 130 entities who have not reported their finance data (expenditure, cash, receipts, opu, dn records); the deadline is Wednesday at midnight. Area coordinators will be reaching out to districts. It is very important to get that data reported.
- b) ITCs can run a query in progress path to see who has not submitted. Can also look at finance gen missing. This data goes on the report card and there will not be an appeal before the report card is processed – the appeal will not be until late Sept or early Oct. Again -- very important to get this data submitted.
- c) A participant had a question on financial appeals – the web site shows the appeal opening appeal on 9/1 – which information is correct?
 - i) The Web site is not accurate and will be updated. The appeal will not occur prior to the LRC. It will be later in September

6) Supplemental Window

- a) Early next week there will be supplemental window for miscellaneous finance data: federal detail, court proceedings, and capital assets
- b) Open for month of September.
- c) Anyone can submit in this window.
- d) If district intends to file an appeal in late September, suggest getting the data updated in their local system. After the appeal window there will be another update window in early October, but only for one week – very quick – so be ready to submit data.

7) FY17

- a) FY17 is nearly ready to open – some collections might open today, all will be open this week.
 - i) SCR
 - ii) Calendar
 - iii) Contact

- iv) SOES
- b) First data pull for community schools will be the data received as of September 22nd at 5pm. Will only be doing one data pull for community schools (not twice). Important to get student and contact data submitted so it can be pulled on 9/22/2016. There are only 3½ weeks to get data submitted.
- c) SOES data should appear within 24-48 of submission via the data collector.
- d) Traditional districts will be open in early September, but not on the target date of 9/1.
- e) A participant asked a question regarding FY17 -- What does "all open this week" mean?
 - i) This means student cross reference, calendar, contact, and SOES (last two for community schools only)

8) **Looking forward**

- a) Anticipate a new version of data collector being released on Tuesday. Technical contacts will get email from solutions group regarding information on download for new version of the data collector. Testing has not uncovered any issues – ready to go. It will include release notes on changes in the new version.
- b) Alex will provide contact info for support.
- c) The release can be implemented as a rolling upgrade – at your convenience – but recommend not waiting too long.
- d) Questions regarding the release:
 - i) Is there a drop dead date?
 - (1) Do not think so – it has forward and backwards compatibility. Again, don't let it go to long, will want to take advantage of the performance advantages.
 - ii) Could the communication be cc'd to larger audience, not just the tech contacts?
 - (1) Would rather not due to the confusion it might cause for non-technical people.
 - (2) Will announce if it goes out later than Tuesday. Really expect it to go out 8/30, but will let everyone know if it is delayed.

9) **Reminder on next schedule call**

- a) David wanted to make sure everyone is aware of the schedule update. Next call Monday 9/12 will be at 10am instead of 10:30. Hopefully this change will not cause an issue. It was necessary because David has a priority schedule conflict later that morning.

Questions from participants

- 10) Is there an update on CCP and ODEX?
 - i) Folks should see updates in the data later this week.
- 11) Regarding CCP – payment to colleges have been at state rate since only partial payments have been made?
 - a) Not quite correct – if there is an alternative funding agreement reported by mid-July, the payment in July made use of the alternate funding agreement.
 - b) If student was flagged as an alternative funding agreement but no agreement was submitted, student funded as \$40 minimum.

- c) If the district affirmatively approved the student, it was paid based on the alternate funding agreement – otherwise funded at the minimum – and deducted from district.
 - d) Only students who were confirmed by the district were paid. If not confirmed, colleges were provided an advanced payment but this was not deducted from the districts yet.
- 12) A participant has a student who had \$20 agreement in ODDEX but appears to have been paid at a higher rate.
- a) David suggested checking to be sure student was flagged as having an alternative funding agreement. He is guessing the student has “no” on alternative funding agreement. To correct, district should flag student as “no” to stop funding until colleges fix the alternative flag.
 - b) However, if the alternative funding flag was marked as “y” – send email to David.
- 13) Will level 2 career tech reports be updated before window closes?
- a) No, no plan to update before 8/31.
 - b) There will be an update after report card closes. It is recommended districts fix issues because these will be part of the appeals window for finance data in early October.
- 14) When will JVSD’s be able to see CCP data in ODDEX?
- i) Still working on it. ODE will put notice out when this is available.

Next call

15) Next Bi-weekly call scheduled for 10am (moved up from 10:30) on Monday 9/12/2016.