ODE EMIS Conference Call Summary

1.11.21 Notes provided Naja Bailey (META) and Catherine Wright (NEONET)

FY21 CTE March Concentrator Appeals - Reminder that concentrator appeals are currently open through January 22nd. Districts should be looking at the Received Files ODE sent out in December (**2021D_CTE_MARCHD_CONCNTRTS**) to determine if any students they expected to see as Concentrators are missing, or if there are extras that were reported in a prior year that shouldn't have been. This file may show multiple rows per student if they have more than one Program of Concentration (POC), but when ODE sends the March file there will be just one row per student with up to 5 POCs on it. You don't need to remove a POC if the student should be a Concentrator, just pick the one to use once you do March reporting. Example: a student has three rows on the report, one you aren't sure about since it came from a prior district, but you don't have to worry about that row as long as the one you plan to report on in the March collection **IS** on that file. Just report the POC you want to count when March D opens. With the change in Accountability in Perkins V, students only count in one district. So shared students may be a Concentrator for another district and not yours. Just one LEA will report the students in March.

Q: The one that says ODE determined, they will be in March file, correct?

A: Correct, unless you file an appeal - only if you are able to show they were reported in a class that they didn't actually take in a prior year. If they took two or more workforce development classes, then ODE has derived them to be a Concentrator.

Q: Per Perkins V, only one district counts them, so if they are on both district reports, one should file an appeal to remove? Student was in one district part of the year, moved to another district the second half, and ended up on both district's reports.

A: Are they on both reports with the same POC? Put that in the helpdesk with that SSID since that was our goal not to do that.

Q: We have a fairly large district with lots of Concentrators, and about 20 students on their list that they didn't feel were Concentrators, so they're being included in March Follow-up reporting. Is that correct or should they do more homework?

A: That's up to each district, they should look to see if they were reported in other districts because courses from prior districts will count. We're hearing they're surprised to see them on the list, but it could be based on prior district's prior year reporting you aren't aware of. If they don't have two courses, but they're being derived as a Concentrator, put in a helpdesk ticket to double-check. If a district is unsure, something doesn't make sense, helpdesk is the first option before filing an appeal.

Q: We reported a student as a Concentrator last year, this year she was a no-show until we got a records request and reported her in December as WD40 (out of state) as of 7/1, but she is on the list

A: Put in a helpdesk ticket for us to double-check. If that data was reported prior to Initial "S" closing, we should have picked up that withdrawal information.

Q: Previous years' W/D code 41 (to another Ohio district) from FY16 or FY18 are appearing on our files.

A: Method: we are now picking up kids who may have never appeared on a March file before, so we're seeing random kids who left school but not on a March file previously. If you have one that looks like that, put in a helpdesk ticket because we really only want kids who actually left

school in FY20. Maybe their W/D didn't get processed or something, but with the changeover to Perkins V, we're finding things that didn't quite align right in prior years.

Q: We're not clear on the change from Perkins IV to V; should they all fall under **Perkins V** now?

A: If a Concentrator was reported in FY19 or prior, they fall under Perkins IV (ODE was not deriving a Program of Concentration). For FY20 and beyond, they fall under Perkins V, and ODE derives who is a Concentrator. Another thing is some of the measures have changed, so we tweaked some business rules for running calculations.

<u>Currently in process</u> – ODE is starting to process FY21 Grad events, so you will begin seeing info in ODDEX and FY21 data reflected in reports (withdrawals, transfers).

<u>Where Kids Count</u> - ODE has also started processing Where Kids Count (WKC) reports as they get data.

<u>Concentrators</u> - ODE has also started working on Concentrators for **FY21** but won't release that until further along through appeals and start of March reporting (February at the latest). Next year, hopefully this will start in the fall.

Training - Next round of ODE/ITC training sessions start January 19th, register via **STARS**.

<u>College Credit Plus</u> - ODE is continuing to wrap up College Credit Plus (CCP) from prior years. Colleges can no longer update FY16-20 data and ODDEX escalations have also been closed out. This Thursday, January 14th is the last day to place flags; there shouldn't be much out there that hasn't already been reviewed or hasn't timed out. We will close Thursday, pull data for payment on Friday, final payment will be made to colleges by the end of the month, and deductions for districts will appear in their February payments. Area Coordinators are continuing to work on escalations, so if you get a call for information please respond to them as soon as you can so issues can be resolved by Thursday January 14th.

Q: When will January #2 payment info be pulled?

A: Data is typically pulled on the second Monday before payment date, so for the January 29th payment, data should be pulled on January 18th. Since that is a State holiday, data may be pulled either Friday, January 15th (before) or Tuesday, January 19th (after).

Q: Are you aware of ODDEX problems today? It currently says it is unavailable.

A: There was an issue running out of memory and with State logins earlier today, SSDT let us know they're restarting ODDEX at 10:30am. There was a Gateway error earlier today on/off, but it appears that has been resolved. Should be back up shortly.

Q: It would be helpful if ODE could email ITC's when there are issues like that to save us time trying to figure out where the problem is.

A: No problem, good feedback.

ODE ITC Call – Monday, January 25th
ODE Change Call – Wednesday, January 13th

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