FY22D CTE March Follow-up Appeals – ODE discovered a bug in the process for these Received Files, where they were not pulling in students who withdrew over the summer. Some of those withdrawal codes may have taken students out of the cohort if they transferred out of state or to a non-pub, etc. ODE has that fixed in the code and expects to be sending out revised files any day now. Because of this, the appeal window has been extended and will now be closing next Friday 1/21, instead of this Friday 1/14 (an EMIS Newsflash will be coming out soon). ODE has received fewer appeals this year compared to recent years, so they are not sure if they will need to delay the opening of the FY22D Collection. It is currently scheduled to open Thursday 2/3, so for now they will leave it and see how things go with the appeals. If districts have appeals ready to go, please start submitting them so ODE can begin looking at them. LEAs now have an additional week in case something in their new files changes what they were going to appeal.

**Q:** There also seems to be a problem with it not calculating correctly when a student had been in two districts.

**A:** I didn't mention it since it impacted less than 100 students statewide, but that issue has also been resolved.

<u>Collections Not Submitted</u> – ODE emailed ITCs earlier today with reminders about LEA's who have not yet submitted their *FY22 Final Calendar* or *FY22L Initial Staff/Course* collections. They really need to get those in, ideally this week, so there's time to review the TLC report. ODE is also funding on current year CTE data, so if any of those LEAs have career tech programs it is very important to get that data reported in this first staff window so that they get an idea of whatever issues they may have for funding. Please work with those districts if they were on the list.

**Q:** We were having some problems with the Data Collector not responding. One district's Staff/Course collection showed their CJ and CM files but once they submitted it had messages that they didn't have those records. Is anyone else reporting this issue? We haven't checked with our people here. **A:** We have not heard about these issues from anyone.

**Q:** In December, you mentioned that some new reports were coming to assist districts with reconciling their payment reports in January; are those out there?

A: There are a few new reports (FTES-008 and 009) that we just recently released and included in 2TRD and 1TRD collections. We generated them for 1TRD even though it was closed because that data was used for the payment (you'll have to select 'Show closed collections' to view them). These reports have subgroup totals that show up in new funding formula, as well as counts of FTE by grade level. There's also a Gifted report that will be coming out later this month that will hi-lite the students who are partially funded for part of this school year. Basically, once Identified Gifted, always Identified Gifted, so as long as districts carry their data forward from one year to the next, students Identified Gifted in a prior year will be fully funded for the entire current year. This report will show the ones reported as newly Identified Gifted sometime during this school year, so part of this year they are getting Gifted funding and part of this year they are not. This report can be used to verify if correct Gifted ID dates are reported. This change #22-95 has been bumped from Jan #1 to Jan #2, so reports will be out later this month. Additional changes will be happening later in Jan, Feb, Mar for existing reports.

**Q:** The FY22S Midyear Collection is giving warnings that students are not on track with no RIMP codes reported, but they do have RIMP codes reported.

**A:** This is a known issue that will be fixed on Thursday to look for the new RIMP codes.

<u>Heads-up for ITCs</u> – There are issues with the current security certificates not being strong enough for Java 8 requirements. ODE is working on a plan, but it is not ready yet. There will be several steps to go through to move to Java 8; even if you don't want to move to Java 8, your ITC will need to install a security certificate to connect to the ZIS. Because ODE has to change the security certificate in their ZIS, they need to make sure ITCs are updated before they do that, or they'll lose connection. ODE expects that to be out soon and will have details ITCs need to make updates.

Q: Is that ODE's ZIS or the ITC's ZIS?

**A:** It is only ODE's ZIS. Your ZIS only connects to your agents in your Data Collector. It all comes down to what level of certificate you have in your local ZIS. If it is not as strong as what Java 8 requires, you can look at our procedure and do something similar on your end to get your ZIS updated. We don't connect to your ZIS, so we don't have any insight as to the strength of your certificates.

**Q:** Is the TLC report evaluating co-teaching situations?

**A:** We always go down to one teacher for each course, even if there are co-teachers, so there are a number of tiebreakers we go through to determine which teacher to use. If you have questions, put an example in the helpdesk so we can look at it to see exactly why it is choosing one teacher over another.

## **Next meeting**

ODE Change Call – This month's 1/12/2022 change call has been cancelled. ODE is getting some FY23 changes but not enough to hold a meeting. We'll most likely meet in February and March. ODE ITC Call – Monday 1/24/2022