

ODEW EMIS-ITC Call – 1/6/2025

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Exiting Student Follow up Collection – The initial collection closes tomorrow, January 6th, at midnight. Career Tech concentrator follow up information is required to be reported during this window.

The final correction (formally appeal) window for the initial collection will open on January 8th and close on January 17th. This window is for districts to correct any data. The deadline to submit corrected data is January 23rd.

<https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Data/EMIS/Reporting-Responsibilities/Final-Correction-Opportunities>

The Final Exiting Student Follow up collection window is set to open on February 6th. This collection is to submit all follow up information for Career Tech, Graduates, and Special Ed students who have left secondary education.

Q: I saw that a new collection request was posted (for Initial Exiting Student Follow up) in the Data Collector, but there were no notes. Do you know what those changes are?

A: An ITC requested that the collection description be updated to include the record types being collected. That description was updated to show that FW and FA records are collected.

Q: If a district does not have a note about resubmitting the Initial Exiting Student Follow up, they should be good and not have to resubmit, correct?

A: I would think so. Their best bet is to double-check the reports that come out and make sure they reflect the data that they last submitted. If there are no errors in the Data Collector for that submission, generally, you can assume we did get it and processed it.

Q: I do have a district that has a student who was not a concentrator but did earn an Industry Credential. They wanted to get that reported. So, grads won't be added to the FLUP-001 prior to it closing?

A: I would not anticipate that that file to get updated with grads before it closes tomorrow.

Q: So there is no way for them to get that Industry Credential reported correct?

A: That would be correct.

House Bill 206—As a heads up, if signed by the governor, this bill will allow Superintendents to extend expulsions for more than 180 days in specific situations. This could cause a change in EMIS reporting. Once signed and the final bill is available, ODEW will examine it to see if a late FY25 EMIS Change is needed. ODEW believes this bill will become effective in late March or early April, depending on when the governor signs it and when it is enrolled. More information will be released in the future.

Data Collector—ODEW is working on written documentation that will be available through a help link on each page of the Data Collector. This documentation will explain what each page does, how it works, what you might want to do on that page, the benefits of the page, etc. ODEW shared draft examples of the documentation they are working on for the Data Collector and asked ITCs for any suggestions they may have. Please email David and/or Chad with any suggestions.

Q&A

Q: A new check was implemented on the Mid-Year Student Collection using the EMIS ID format. Right now, it is a warning. Will it remain a warning, or will it eventually become a critical?

A: That will stay a warning. What that basically means is that local ID will not be communicated to Student Cross Reference (SCR) or anywhere else because we are not sure if it is a social security number. We are not allowed to collect social security numbers, and we do not want them in additional systems.

Q: Is that going to cause a problem in ODDEX?

A: Problem is probably too strong a word. We are building towards having more choices as to what IDs to include when district exports are done. For example, we know some districts use the Child Nutrition Direct Certification (CNDC) module, and their food service application knows their students by their local ID. So, some districts are uploading separately their local IDs to put on a student within the CNDC. Eventually, we want to eliminate the need for that step so CNDC is fully aware of the local ID that comes to us through the SCR. There are likely to be other use cases eventually. If districts want to take advantage of these future functionalities, they may want to migrate what their local IDs are to something that doesn't look like a social security number.

Q: Would it be beneficial for our districts to migrate their IDs in the summer?

A: I would wait and do that in the summer. That is something that requires planning. If districts make a change to the local ID in the middle of the school year, it can actually make things more difficult. We would never recommend districts do that in the middle of the school year. If they can do it between school years, it's better. Districts may still want to populate the prior year by running the SCR prepare even if it is closed because any of the collections that we have that go across school years, like some Graduation collections, do look at the prior year. So, if a student is no longer known by the same local ID, sometimes you need to update that. All of those kinds of things you have to coordinate for changes to local IDs are easier in the summer during that transition between school years.

Q: Will the student with warnings appear in CrossCheck for various reports?

A: I do not know how things work in CrossCheck, so I can't answer that.

Q: On the Staff collection, we have had a couple of districts try to submit their L data, and it has given them some odd level 1s in return to where it is not accepting the staff records at all. So, you see a lot of excluded records and red X. I didn't know if that was something going on with the Data Collector or something on the district's side.

A: Typically, the first place I would look, especially if records appear to be missing, is the SIF collection side of things and the agent (if USPS). When the records go into excluded records, that means that we are getting one type of data but not another type of data. If you need help with that, put in a help desk ticket.

Upcoming Call Schedule

Wednesday, January 8th – EMIS Change Committee Meeting (*canceled*)

Tuesday, January 21st – ODEW EMIS ITC Conference Call (*moved due to holiday*)

“Manual guidance prevails if there is a conflict between the information shared on this call and the EMIS Manual.”