ODEW EMIS-ITC Call – 06/09/2025
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EMIS Training - A Newsflash was shared this morning with training information for the rest of the year. Details are also available on the EMIS Training webpage.
https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Data/EMIS/EMIS-Training/EMIS-General-Training

FY26 Collection Calendar - The Newsflash shared on Friday, June 6, 2025, included collection dates for those that will be opening in July. ODEW is still waiting to finalize some dates, so the FY26 Collection Calendar has not yet been released.

Not Yet Submitted - ODEW has been sending emails out to ITCs with districts who have not yet submitted or not submitted recently. The Department appreciates the assistance in working with those districts to get data submitted.

Student Cross Reference (SCR) Collection Issue - SSDT made some back-end enhancements to ODDEX late last week, which introduced a bug in the load to SCR. Submissions from last Thursday, June 5th, and Friday, June 6th, have not loaded yet, and SSDT is actively working to get a hotfix in place. All that data will be loaded, and rules will be run, unless a subsequent submission takes place; in that case, the most recent submission data will replace the one waiting to be processed. Hopefully, this will be resolved within the next 1-2 days.

Student Cross Reference - A reminder for districts to get their SCR data submitted as soon as that window opens in early July. Food service staff will need to start looking at eligibility for free and reduced lunches.

FY26 Budget Update - The Senate released their version of the budget last week. Everything is still preliminary, and there are differences between the House and Senate versions. These will be worked out in a conference committee, and we won't know the final results until the end of June or beginning of July. This is a lengthy document, and ODEW does its best to try to identify everything included that may impact reporting, but there could certainly be additional things. However, a few updates to share…
- Attendance details that were included in the House version indicating "why" a student was absent. The Senate did not include the requirement for that additional detail. Depending on which version is included in the final budget will determine whether this will be required (House version) or optional (Senate version) in FY26.
- The Senate version added the use of Free and Reduced (F&R) lunch data for DPIA for the economic disadvantagement funding. Essentially, it snapshots the FY25 disadvantagement counts and phases in F&R data. In the first year of the budget, it would be 75% based on 2025 counts, 25% based on F&R data. In the second year, it would be 65% based on the 2025 counts and 35% based on F&R data. If this language passes, there are a couple of ways to implement this, which would also involve updates to the CNDC direct cert process. ODEW EMIS and the Child Nutrition Department will have to work together to determine the best options. There are lots of possibilities for how this could happen. It will be important for all districts (including CEP districts) to run their direct certification every year to ensure DPIA funding.
- Elements in the Senate version include reporting additional staff data, specifically around vacancies and number of licenses awarded, as well as some other things. The vacancies would

likely be a new EMIS collection. If this language makes it into the budget, ODEW will have to determine *how* to collect this data.

- Senate updates made a number of changes to the requirements under HB410. We don't know if these changes will make it all the way through, and it's not clear if it changes any of the EMIS reporting. ODEW will be keeping an eye on this as it finishes up in the Senate and moves to the conference committee.
- Several data collections around mathematics, similar to what we collect/report around ELA and reading; curriculum materials, and other math related information.
- Included in House version - College Level Examination Program (CLEP) tests are supposed to be considered advanced standard assessments and be used in some accountability measures. If this stays in the budget, another assessment type may need to be added to collect these records.
- Included in House version - changes the 5-year forecast to become a 3-year forecast. Also, potentially collecting information on appropriations in the budget at the start of the year; this changes the calendar to submit earlier in the school year (first year in effect would keep the current date for the initial forecast; subsequent years would be earlier).

Q&A

Q: You mentioned it's never too early to report SCR data. As we are coming into summer, we are working with districts who have 9 digit EMIS IDs to make that change and were hoping to wait until the close of the FY25 S window. How does that work with what you're saying about SCR?

A: ODEW stores the crosswalk (reverse manifest table) by fiscal year. You actually can have different EMIS IDs between fiscal years and be able to report - will keep the values for each year. This can be confusing, but conversations with districts will be key. If a district doesn't start until August, that should be fine unless the food service staff needs to know who is eligible under direct cert sometime in July. We're talking about 2 ½ - 3 weeks. Where it would become a problem is if a district waits until mid to late August to submit their SCR data; food service needs to know students who are eligible for F&R on the first day of school. Waiting that long to submit SCR data makes it really difficult for food service to get their work done.

> **Q:** When the EMIS IDs are changed, would you recommend changing for all prior years or just moving forward? We have the ability to do for both.
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> **A:** We don't care because you can't report prior year data to ODEW. So it really doesn't matter. When we send grad info back that have prior year students who may have dropped out, I believe we use the most current information we have.
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> **Q:** Will changing EMIS IDs impact the retention window?
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> **A:** The retention info is the next year, so as long as you've reported SCR data for that year before reporting retention, the crosswalk with that data will reflect the current year. For the Retention Collection, the data is reported by EMIS ID, and ODEW grabs the SSID from the Reverse Lookup table. This is done by grabbing the FY -1 first, so that would mean grabbing the 2025 row for the student for the 2026 Retention Collection first. If there is not a row in the reverse lookup table that matches the EMIS ID reported, we look at the current year data in the Reverse Look up table. This means - as long as a district is **not reusing** an EMIS ID; when making the change from one year to the next, it should not be an issue for the retention collection if the EMIS ID is different from one year to the next.

Q: We also shouldn't be deleting any from the reverse lookup table, correct?
A: The reverse lookup table should *never* be edited.

Q: What does it mean for CEP districts to get their Direct Cert data?
A: As long as reporting SCR, ODEW is already trying to match the students against the Medicaid and ODJFS files, and will get some matches regardless. If districts want to get the best direct cert match possible, it's important to submit contact information for all students. Having the parent name and address available will greatly help with the match rate and allow more "firm matches" where food service isn't required to review the data to confirm it's correct.

Q: Has the logic for the Tier 1 Missing list (KG not being tested until the fall of 1st grade year not showing on the missing list) been corrected or is there an update on when this will be corrected?
A: ODEW is in the process of rewriting this, as there were some issues in the logic. Hopefully, they will have an update ready soon.

Q: Can we have an "as you go" CCWMR report either in the Grad collection or as a received file? No, we will not have a yes/no column in AA, but we will be able to see when things drop in and have more time to correct them. Or even start getting that report sooner than the end of September.
A: Anything that ends up on the report card works backwards. The first thing that gets done is to get it on the report card, then move to reports in the SDC to review details at the SSID level. After that, work on anything for EMIS or that predicts/looks ahead at what will happen when we get to the end of that measure. The CCWMR measure is relatively new, and the work is still underway to get everything automated for the report card itself. This is a conversation we can have about getting this information out earlier; definitely won't be this year for the upcoming CCWMR measure. Perhaps we can see if something can happen for next year.

Q: Is there an update on the FLUP-001 for the STEM districts
A: Currently working on this.

Q: Did the credit, competency, and readiness flags on the Grad Cohort reports update over the weekend?
A: Typically they would.
   Q: I have a district that indicates they did not.
   A: Please submit detailed information and we can review.

Upcoming Call Schedule
Wednesday, June 11 - EMIS Change Call has been **cancelled**
Monday, June 23 - ODEW EMIS ITC Call

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