ODE EMIS Conference Call Summary

Initial Staff/Course Collection (L1) – Collection closes Friday, January 28. Clear up your staff and career tech issues by then. Final Staff/Course Collection (L2) will open next week.

March D appeals - Closed last Friday for March D students included in the follow-up.   Many districts that have filed an appeal have already received the determinations. The remainder of the appeals being processed will have a decision soon.   We are still on track to open the March D Collection on February 3.

January Payment - Today is the day for pulling data for payments for traditional districts, JVSDs, and community schools. ODE will archive the reports. ODE did not archive the transfer reports for the January payments the first time around because we did not believe it was relevant to what was being paid. Since then, we did find a use case where it was relevant so that ODE will archive that transfer report as well.

ODE Change Call – The February change call has been canceled. ODE is not far enough along with the FY23 changes to have enough to show. They do expect changes will be ready for public comment process to start working through for March, April, and May. They need to finish FY23 changes and get them out for public comment in the spring.

Trainings – ODE/ITC EMIS trainings are this week.   The sessions later this week are still open. ODE will start doing more in-depth training on Discipline Data in February. This will be an opportunity for districts to dive more in-depth into the data and ask questions. Another benefit to this type of training is it may be beneficial for other staff in your districts—more information coming in a future Newsflash.

Gifted Report - Thursday, a new Level 2 Gifted report will be released focusing on those students who are partially funded as Gifted for this year.   As you know, Gifted identification is done by month and not date, and there is a policy of once identified always identified. So the students identified in prior years will generate full funding for the entire school year in Gifted FTE items and new funding formula. But if a student is newly identified this year, they would only be included in the Gifted FTE for payment for the part of the year they are identified.   This report will list just the students funded for part of the year, so districts can verify the correct Month/Year is reported so Gifted FTE is calculated correctly.

Q: March Follow-up is opening on February 3. Will we get a separate file to load into the FFE?
A: Yes, there will still be a file formatted for the FFE (fixed length file) and one CSV file when it opens.

Q: When do you anticipate adding the Gifted FTE column to the FTE Report?
A: I expect we are still 6-8 weeks away from that. We'll get a preview of that data in the partial year Gifted FTE report, but adding columns to an existing report is a little more complicated. We've started working on it, but it will be a little bit out there yet before they get added.

Q: On that Gifted for Jan #1 payment, did they use Gifted ID numbers from the current year or last year?
A: Jan #1 used FY21 Gifted records compared to FY22 enrolled students. So, if they enrolled in FY22 had a Gifted ID for FY21, all their FTE for this year counts in the Gifted payment. Not sure if it was Jan #2, but if not, it is Feb #1. We're switching to FY22 Gifted ID data, so that would have been the first opportunity for newly enrolled students at your district (if they weren't your student last year, then we couldn't have looked at their Gifted ID from last year). Or if they were newly ID this school year, that would be the first opportunity for them to appear in the payment. The Statewide Gifted FTE changed a little bit when they changed from FY21 to FY22 Gifted ID data, but it was not a huge increase, about 4-5%, so most would not have noticed a big difference. On the ODE Finance pages, there is a payment calendar that shows which year's data is used for each component of the payment, so it will show if they haven't moved to the current year's data.

Q: We've had a ticket in for over a month about the FTE Detail report for online building IRN not showing up in that column. Has that bug been fixed yet?
A: We received an email from a Treasurer about online students being included in the payments. Bill worked through that and was able to verify that the students were being included in the payment. However, the bug in the report has not been fixed yet. He confirmed this is a display issue, but the students are being included in the report.

New DC Data Hub – The first EMIS Advisory Council meeting recommendation was the ability for users in the Data Collector to customize reports (e.g., if they wanted to see the subset of a report, combine info from two different reports into a single report, etc.). So we've been doing a lot of thinking about that. This is a fairly significant change, but we're now dedicating some serious time to that request for enhancements. ODE has been spending January talking through what this feature may look like in the Data Collector. They are starting to get some requirements/direction down in writing. They plan to finish those requirements this month. So a week from today, they hope to have those requirements finalized and have ESP Solutions (the developer) can begin working on developing this feature with a goal to release it by summer. Hopefully, in time to use for this year's data, but it should definitely be from day one of next school year. ODE calls this new feature the "Data Hub" because they believe it will be broader and more powerful than just filtering a report or creating a custom report. Districts should find this helpful to take advantage of the wide variety of data in the Data Collector and supplement with additional

data they want to combine. This will also have the larger EMIS community create resources for each other and share ideas. It will also give ODE another tool. If they have something they find, districts will find it helpful but not a Level 2 report that is processed and sent out with report explanation, etc., another tool that ODE will have.

DC Data Hub/Report Writer
Purpose/Goals:
- To provide DC end users with a tool that allows them to combine, filter, and use the vast data within the DC in combination with local data as needed to answer questions and solve problems within their district
- To save DC users time by allowing the addition of student names to any file with an appropriate ID that they can upload as a CSV
- To save DC users time by allowing them to save custom reports to be re-run after local or state data updates
- To provide a platform for sharing user-developed custom data report definitions within each LEA, across the ITC, or statewide after appropriate quality and content reviews
- To provide a tool for ODE to publish new reports and report views without having to complete all the development steps needed for a new level 2 report

Hoping it would be its own tab in the Data Collector, so Roles besides EMIS Coordinator can have access. The first purpose is the whole report-writer purpose that came out of EMIS Advisory Council.

One of the dedicated functions is to add a CSV file (and eventually Excel files, but not in the first release). So they can export data in SDC, save it on their local drive, go to the Data Hub tab with the function to add a name to the CSV file, upload the CSV file and get a link to the CSV file that has all the data the file had before but with the student name. For some time, people have been asking for names in the SDC, but ODE is not allowed to have that. These custom reports can be saved, so if they combine data, add names, etc., they can design it once and save it so they can rerun when they need a refreshed version of this report.

The platform will allow sharing, so if one user creates a report and marks Complete, it is visible to others in my district, so if they have access to the Data Collector, they can also run it. If other districts at my ITC may find it helpful, I can mark it for review to ITC, so they can look at it. Each report can have a narrative with a report definition. It can appear as a saved report for all districts at that ITC to use. If the ITC thinks it would be helpful statewide, let ODE know so they can publish it out to the entire State. This will open the door for EMS Coordinators to share tips/tricks, and ODE can use it to publish new reports and report views. For now, the CTE Assessment report, for example, has everything in that report. ODE could publish "just show the assessment rollup for the areas where the program of concentration has been reported for a student." Can also look at publish cross-year reports data from one year to the next to see if that is helpful.

Area	Base Requirement for First Release	Stretch Requirement
Users will be able to incorporate data sources into custom reports	Level 2 reports	Archived files at the DC
	Tables distributed by ODE	Collected data at the DC
	Data preview tables at the DC	Files distributed by ODE
	Up to 3 CSV files uploaded by user	XLS files uploaded by user
	Reverse lookup table (local ID/SSID/Name)	Process/Metadata tables used by DC
Limits on data sources	If a source includes data from more than 1 LEA, the system will limit results to only the LEA running the report	
	Some tables will not be available for use in SQL override statements	
Reuse custom report	Users will be able to save any report they design for re-running at a later time by any user from their LEA	
	Users will be able to recommend to the ITC that a report be published and available to all ITC users	
	ITC staff will be able to recommend to ODE that a report be published and available to all DC users statewide	
	ODE will be able to publish complex reports statewide by entering SQL at the Report Collector	
	ODE will be able to publish reports for use by ITCs staff only	
User will be able to create reports using a SQL override	Ability to enter a simple SQL statement including SELECT, FROM, JOIN, WHERE	More complex SQL statements

The initial plan for the June release, you can take any data listed here (from Level 2 report or table from ODE – reference tables, district names, preview tables from the Data Collector, etc.). You could upload up to 3 CSV files at a time, and those will be held in memory so you can use them to combine with other data. Eventually, we want to allow you to pull data from archive files (e.g., look at current submission compared to prior submission to see what changed). You can look at archives from closed manifests, look long-term at raw collection data, download them now as CSV, and upload them later. The goal is to select from a files list and not have to download first and use Excel files). If you want to create reports to monitor your districts (see who is submitting more frequently, see if error counts are going down, etc. you can. We'll create some reports that are only available to ITCs. Some tables won't be available in SQL override statements and will have a power user section.

Q: You mentioned limits on data sources. Will users have the ability to build a report for all LEAs they are associated with?
A: The ITC can do that, but for simplicity of design, we are limiting users to pull from one district at a time because we need to add in the 'where' clauses, so much easier for us to put in the IRN. The workaround is if they have a report they want to use in all their districts, they can either save it in all your districts and switch to the districts they have access to OR if the ITC publishes the report, it will be available for each district. We have to be very careful (data security perspective), so it will be singled LEA reports that districts can run.

Q: You mention bringing in reports from SDC. Do you mean the Report Portal or the SDC?

A: For now, either one, since they both have export available, we are working to phase out SDC and just have the report portal. If any file has SSID on it, you can use it.

Q: I think it will take the ITC developing some reports before districts will see the benefit of it.
A: Yes, there will be a learning curve, and we'll have to figure out some training. Probably 80% of LEAs won't use this but may use reports that other people have created. Probably 10-20% will create something, and maybe 3% will be power users who design reports to use statewide.

Upcoming schedule

ODE ITC Call –Monday, February 7, 2022.
ODE Change Call – February call canceled