

ODE EMIS Conference Call Summary

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Reminder – Issue in reporting CTE Assessments and Graduate data. If you’ve had changes to your student EMIS ID’s (because you’ve changed SIS, ITC’s, or something else that caused EMIS ID’s to change), the crosswalk between the EMIS ID (Local ID) and SSID is broken. EMIS reporting assumes this ID remains the same all year. The solution is to extract FY18S (either SCR or Main Student Collection) for FY18 with the new FY19 EMIS (Local) ID’s on each student, and then do a Collection and Prepare for FY18 Student Cross Reference Collection which will cause the crosswalk rows for FY18 to get updated with the new FY19 EMIS (Local) ID. Once you do that, you obviously can’t submit FY18 SCR, but you don’t have to because during the Prepare stage is when the crosswalk gets established. So if you do the prepare with the new Local IDs using the FY18 SCR collection, then that will update the crosswalk and you should be able to find SSIDs for any Career Tech or Grad data that you still need to submit.

Q: Is this the Local ID or EMIS ID?

A: Whatever you normally extract in your data on the Assessment (FA) data.

FY18 Graduate collection – A new version of “G” came out this morning, to include a new **Grad Issues** report (a bit different from *Gen Issues*, which is more generic being generated by data managers). Grad Issues is a list of issues that have been identified through data processing. ODE is looking at different columns on Level 2 Grad report and pointing out things that you may want to investigate (i.e., students w/d with a 99 reported but no diploma, diploma reported and no w/d reported), different comparisons between columns of data to help focus on some things that they may need to take some action on. One check (identifying students who were withdrawn after the diploma date) has a bug in it - the Level 2 Report is correct, but this comparison is not, working on fixing ASAP, so check Level 2 to see if you have an issue. Gen Issues typically relate to rates being high/low or big changes from previous year.

ODE is starting to get more questions about why students are in a cohort or not. Get those issues in the helpdesk so ODE can figure them out before appeals window. Appeals will be for requesting corrections due to data errors from a prior year, primarily misreporting “Fiscal Year Began 9th Grade”. On Level 2 reports, you can see why students were assigned to a cohort, and if column “ADD COHORT BY GRAD EVENT CODE” shows “GRDIN” (Grade In), then ODE didn’t use “FY Began 9th Grade” so there wouldn’t be anything to appeal there. Changes in the actual business rules, so one of the things ODE has heard about are kids who became 9th graders for the first time after October 1st. Those kids may not get their cohort assigned until the next school year so their cohort would be one year later than what was originally expected. Reporting Window closes November 2nd.

Q: Did you say we could go back, for example if we had students who should’ve been in FY17 cohort instead of FY18 cohort? Would that make changes to two cohorts and put them back in the correct FY17 cohort?

A: What is considered is if data was misreported in a prior year, and not previously used in a Grad rate, so if you misreported their grade level for a whole year that ship has sailed. However, if you misreported “Fiscal Year Began 9th Grade”, that column will show Fiscal Year started 9th Grade as the reason they were assigned a cohort, so that could be appealed. There won’t be any restated FY17 4-year Grad rate,

but you may see it in the 5-year report. “Prep for Success” is 4th and 5th years combined, so if they’re in FY17 or FY18 it wouldn’t matter.

Q: Have summer withdrawals reported in FY19 been applied yet?

A: No, that should be happening soon. FY19 summer withdrawals will not take students out of this cohort, so if they transferred out of Ohio or to non-pub this summer, they have never applied them for those students to be removed. Only if there was a w/d 99 this summer, you may see them on your **Grad Issues** as diploma reported but not w/d, so those FY19 summer withdrawals are informational and don’t impact grad rate, nothing from reporting summer w/d changes the grad rate.

Appeals: Reminder - There is no withdrawal appeal anymore, do the Withdraw Override (FC) if you had reported an incorrect withdraw, then submit the FC records in “G” to give ODE corrected withdrawal reasons. Don’t have to wait for appeal window to do this but if you do file an appeal for this, “G” will just reopen for you to submit FC.

Q: The “G” appeal is only for certain W/D reasons? So, if they should’ve been W/D99 last year and weren’t, we’re saying to report it in FC.

A: If you have them w/d to non-pub then find they moved out of state that has same impact on Grad Rate so there is no priority to do an appeal. The change in withdrawal reasons have to make a difference to report, it is the Diploma that matters, not withdrawal reason. Not sure if W/D 99 is allowed in that record, but it wouldn’t matter, so don’t mess with it.

Q: For summer WD reported in FY19 for graduates, we are seeing them on Grad 418 report but without withdrawal dates.

A: That is correct, they’re counting as FY18 grads if they have a diploma reported.

We are generating some Gen Issues around Grad Reporting that’s typically related to the Grad Rate being especially high or low or a big change from the prior year. So those Gen Issues are out there to be reviewed also.

FY19 Funding and Staff data – ODE pulled data last week for Traditional/JVSD payments for the main FTE but have not pulled CTE data (hoping to do so soon). Later this week, we’ll see CTE comparison reports to compare where they are this year vs last for the CTE weighted funding. If they’ve not submitted Staff/Course “L” and they get CTE funding, they will show a full drop in CTE funding at this point, so encourage districts to submit “L” data. ODE plans to publish the first edition of Staff Certification (TLC) report this Wednesday since they have enough data, so districts can begin working on issues.

Q: Is there any update on HQT?

A: There is nothing definite, but we’re not seeing anything leading us to believe it’s coming back. You may have noticed it is hidden in collection request, because we don’t want districts to worry about it. Hopefully in the next week or so we’ll know if it is gone and get confirmation about Special Ed Staff.

Q: *Safety Plans* – we’re told to leave as Foster placed for now until new codes come in place, how does this affect the Tuition module?

A: A new ‘How Received’ code is coming out in the next couple weeks for this specific scenario with reporting instructions, so districts can switch from Foster-placed to this new code if it is more appropriate. If you have students “parked” in Foster code but they don’t really meet it, districts will need to figure out how they’re enrolled. Potentially there are 3 groups:

- 1) Foster/Court-placed will stay coded that way,

- 2) Students who are really on a Safety Plan/Kinship Care will meet the new criteria and records must be changed back to their start date with the new code (kinship care doesn't usually involve courts, just a county agency but is still an official thing) and
- 3) Students who are with someone other than parents, not foster/court placed, not the new code, so districts will need to take closer look. Is it really Grandparent affidavit or Superintendent's agreement? How are they really getting to the district? This third situation is not involved with courts determining who is paying, etc. just that there is some suspicion that adults have worked something out not involving Family Services or courts. Shouldn't be a lot of these.

Students who meet Safety Plan/Kinship Care will be eligible for Tuition, and ODE will eventually start putting them in the Tuition module for the first window. Once they are fixed, they'll disappear from Tuition module, then once the code is updated at ODE they'll reappear in the Tuition module. They'll possibly get this situation coded to appear in Tuition before new codes come out, but no promises.

Q: ODE just pulled Traditional/JVS (ADM) for payment #2 last week?

A: Yes, not ESC's, we expect ESC Preschool data to be used soon, and Economic Disadvantage to be used relatively soon (in 1-3 weeks) so issues need cleaned up. CTE weighted will then be added in the next few weeks.

Q: For students who get placed out of state, wasn't there going to be a new sent-to code developed so districts still get funded?

A: Yes, we are still planning it, but no code yet.

Q: For the FTE funding comparison report coming next week, based on Staff/Course "L" submissions, what date did/will you pull the data?

A: Not pulled yet, if we send a report on Thursday, it will be based on Wednesday night and show data submitted as of time/date. Report usually reflected the pull date of the data.

Q: For WebXam, we understand that ODE started to look at vendor files to compare, but our vendor file used a mix of ID's and SSID's, so we were only able to match SSID's and report EMIS ID, we still have hundreds with Level 1 errors for invalid SSID, appear to be where vendor had EMIS ID and not SSID.

A: It could be a lot of districts didn't use SSID and they used EMIS ID or made something up. Whatever is on the vendor file must match up to SSID and EMIS ID reported for FY18. Teachers must put correct SSID into SEAT system for CETE. If you've already reported the scores, they don't need reported again.

Q: Will the Office of Accountability be updating the Grad pathway reports (last updated 9/27)?

A: Yes, we are working on updates today.

Next call

Conference call – **Monday, November 5, 2018**

Change Call: **Wednesday, November 7, 2018**