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Education Information and Accountability Services

DOE 2009 Database Workshop

The 2009 Database Workshop videos are currently on-line at http://www.fldoe.org/eias/databaseworkshop/presentations.asp. We appreciate your patience and participation as we have endeavored to bring you an informative and convenient workshop despite this year's financial restrictions. We value your feedback, so please take time to fill out the workshop survey, which you will find linked at the top of the workshop site. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the 2009 workshop, please contact Arlene Roberts at (850) 245-0400 or arlene.roberts@fldoe.org.
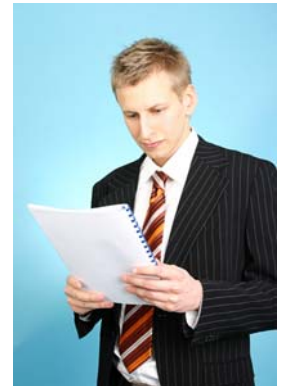
"Autumn, the year's last, loveliest smile."
William Cullen Bryant

Recent Reports and Publications

Several publications have been released in the last few months. They are listed below with their corresponding web links.

- 2009-10 School District Start and End Dates
  http://www.fldoe.org/eias/eiaspubs/pdf/opncls.pdf
- School District Calendars, 2009-10
  http://www.fldoe.org/eias/eiaspubs/pdf/calendar.pdf
- Florida District Staff Salaries of Selected Positions, 2008-09
  http://www.fldoe.org/eias/eiaspubs/word/dstsal0809.doc
- Staff Ratios and Distribution by Race, 2007-08
  http://www.fldoe.org/eias/eiaspubs/pdf/staffratios0708.pdf
- Teacher Salary, Experience, and Degree Level, 2008-09
  http://www.fldoe.org/eias/eiaspubs/pdf/tchsal09.pdf
- Enrollment Size of Florida's Public Schools
  http://www.fldoe.org/eias/eiaspubs/pdf/enroll.pdf

Welcome!

In August, EIAS welcomed Lynda Thomas to our staff. She is working on the EDFacts collection in the Education Data Reporting section. Lynda formerly worked in the Education Data Services office, and we are pleased to have her join our team.

Important Dates

- **Sept. 4** –   Survey 5, 2008-09, end state processing
                    Survey 6, 2009-10, Count 1 - count date & due date
- **Sept. 10 -**   Survey 6, 2009-10, PMRN end state processing
- **Sept. 11 –**   Survey 6, 2009-10, Count 1 - end state processing
- **Sept. 14 -**   Dropout Match files available
- **Sept. 15** –   Staff email files - end processing
- **Mid-Sept.** -   First 2009-10 McKay FTE file available
- **Sept. 18 -**   Survey 1, 2009-10, end state processing
                    Survey 6, 2009-10, Count 2 - count date & due date
- **Sept. 25 -**   Survey 6, 2009-10, Count 2 - end state processing
- **Sept. 30 -**   Survey 1, 2009-10, final update
- **Oct. 5** –   Survey B, 2009-10, file available & begin state processing
- **Oct. 12** -   Survey B, 2009-10, due date & end state processing
- **Oct. 12-16** – Survey 2, 2009-10, survey week
- **Oct. 19 -**   Survey 2, 2009-10, begin state processing
- **Oct. 30** –   Survey 2, 2009-10, due date
                    Fall 2009 New Hires Survey due date
- **Nov**. **13 -** Survey 2, 2009-10, end state processing
- **Late Nov. -**   Second 2009-10 McKay FTE file available

Exit Interview Survey and Data Collection

Section 1003.21, Florida Statutes, requires that an exit interview be conducted by a student's guidance counselor or other school personnel when a student has filed a formal declaration of intent to terminate school enrollment. In the 2009-10 school year there are four data elements designed to capture the information students provide in the Exit Interview Student Survey. The four data elements are reported on the Student End of Year Status record, and they are:

- Dropout Prevention: Primary Reason for Dropping Out

- Dropout Prevention: Secondary Reason for Dropping Out

- Dropout Prevention: Possible Influences

- Dropout Prevention: Actions Taken (new data element in 2009-10)

District student database staff should coordinate data entry and data quality assurance activities with the staff that collect and input these data. Questions about the survey or the standardized form for data collection should be directed to Dr. Kimberly Davis, Director of Dropout Prevention, via e-mail at Kimberly.Davis@fldoe.org or by phone at (850) 245-0551. For questions pertaining to data definitions, data entry, or data processing, contact Linda H. Fleming at Linda.Fleming@fldoe.org or by phone at (850) 245-0400.

Reminder to District MSID Contacts

For 2009-10 districts are required to establish a School District Virtual Instruction Program. The school number 7001 should be used for this school. If your district has not already sent in a Master School Identification (MSID) application form for school 7001, please do so. This will allow us to make this school active for 2009-10. The MSID application form should be e-mailed to Rhonda.Forbes@fldoe.org as soon possible.

Also, if your district plans to operate a Florida Virtual School Franchise (7004), please complete an MSID application form for this school and e-mail it to Rhonda Forbes.

Staff E-mail Address Data Collection for the 2009-10 School Year

In accordance with Section 1012.05(3)(b), Florida Statutes, "By September 15 and February 15 of each year, each school district shall electronically submit accurate public school e-mail addresses for all instructional and administrative personnel, as identified in s.1012.01(2) and (3), to the Department of Education." The submission period for the September 15 data collection is from August 20, 2009, to September 15, 2009. For further details, please refer to the e-mail notification dated August 20, 2009, sent to district MIS Directors and MIS and Staff Database Contacts.

McKay Payment Files

The new 2009-10 McKay Prepayment Verification file submission (Survey A) was a success, and the data was used to verify payments to 19,969 students. Coming in mid-September are the McKay Payment Files which contain records for students that school districts should report in Survey 2. The format and manner of distribution of these files remain the same as in previous years. Districts will be notified by e-mail when the McKay Payment files are available to download.

Reminder: Immigrant Student Data Element

A recent change has been made to the Immigrant Student data element definition for 2009-10 as per federal requirements. Please pay special attention to this change.

Fall 2009 Public Schools Staff Survey – New Hires Data Collection

An e-mail notification announcing the Fall 2009 New Hires data collection survey was sent to District Personnel Directors on August 25, 2009. This is a multipurpose data collection instrument designed to collect data to meet state reporting requirements. Comprehensive data are used in the department publications *Critical Teacher Shortage Areas* and *New Hires in Florida Public Schools.* This data collection activity is specific to staff hired between July 1, 2009, and October 1, 2009. The completed survey should be returned by **October 30, 2009.**

2008-09 NCLB SPAR Update

The 2008-09 NCLB SPAR files were made available for download on August 18. If your district has not yet downloaded these reports, please do so. The file names are as follows.

NCLB SPAR data file: **DPS##.GE.F70396.Y0809**

NCLB SPAR print file: **DPS##.GE.F70405.Y0809**

AYP Report addendum, print file: **DPS##. GE.F70417.Y0809**

Record layout available: **DPS.FORMAT.TECH.Y0809**

In addition, the SPARs will be available online by mid-September at http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm.

2008-09 Cohort Graduation Rate Timeline

The 2008-09 cohort timeline has been revised to provide districts with an additional set of preliminary grad rate reports before the official release. The first preliminary report will be available **September 9** and the second preliminary report will be available **September 21**. A notification was e-mailed to MIS Directors and Student Database Contacts on August 27. Please refer to the revised timeline for the complete schedule. Questions regarding the cohort review process should be addressed to Cyndi Holleman at Cyndi.Holleman@fldoe.org.