

ODE ITC call – Monday, 6/1/2020

**EMIS Manual Special Section** – this new section for COVID-19 related special reporting instructions was posted on Friday. Information includes Grade 3 Retained Status, CTE Technical Assessments, and Calendar guidance. *Districts – make sure you are looking at your calendars! As ODE is checking, they see that some calendars have not been submitted since mid-March. It is important for districts to get updated Calendar data reported.*

**Q:** Some districts have stopped instruction earlier than planned. Do they end their calendar when they stopped instruction, or do they just enter Calamity Days with no Blizzard Bag hours for the days between when instruction was stopped and the original last day of school?

**A:** If they report a Calamity Day, it should take the hours out of the calculation and then a Blizzard Bag will put the hours back in. As far as FTE calculations, it should be OK since it takes them out. I don't know if there are any calculations next year to see if a student was enrolled on the last day of school this year; students are still enrolled even if school was not in session. The only concern is, if a WD was done on the *last day of attendance* rather than on the *last day of scheduled enrollment*. TGRG rules use Majority of Attendance rather than the last day of school. Graduating seniors could have an FTE issue (calculating less than their full FTE) if their WD date is prior to the last day on their calendar.

**Q:** Some districts said they're ending the school year early; we had them change the calendar end date and then WD students on their last day of instruction. Is that not what they should have done?

**A:** Yes, we know some districts chose to end their year early. There was strong guidance against that, but it was because we didn't want them to just end the school year two months early. If they ended their year early, changing the calendar is fine, we just don't want them to end it too early.

**Q:** Does it really matter if they enter the staff days after school instruction ends?

**A:** It is up to each district. Most all have already used their max hours for 2 Professional Development days and 2 Parent/Teacher conference days, so beyond that no staff time impacts the calendar.

**Q:** Are there anything updates on reporting DN Phys Ed Performance Measures, or were they to put in whatever they got done?

**A:** Nothing has been published yet, so report 'what is'.

**FY20H Financial collection** – opened today to report Expenditures, Cash, Receipts, etc. While district books haven't closed yet for this year, we encourage districts to submit early to get Maintenance of Effort (MOE) feedback. Reminder: There will no longer be a Supplemental "H" reporting window, mainly due to Capital Assets no longer being reported. All data must be submitted by the August close date, but there will still be an Appeal Window for limited data.

**Upcoming Reports** – Additional reports will be released later this week or next.

- 1) CTE Assessments, similar to Grad. Districts have two more weeks to get course grades uploaded to CETE so they can download the assessment results for Technical Assessments.
- 2) Industry Credential reimbursement will be a larger one this year and is available for all kids (not just those that are Economically Disadvantaged). This year we added two new required

test types to show if the district paid their assessment fees, so a new report will indicate if more than one entity claims that they paid for the same assessment. This is an error/exception report so most districts won't see it; if they DO, they need to look at it and make sure that just one entity reports they paid for it and the other one changes their test type code to show they didn't pay for it. Values:

- **IPD** = yes, the cost of this Industry Credential administered on/after July 1, 2019 was paid by the district reporting this record;
- **INP** = no, the cost of this Industry Credential administered on/after July 1, 2019 was NOT paid by the district reporting this record.

When this collection window closes, hopefully none of these conflicts remain so they can get districts reimbursed quickly.

**Data Appeals** – Several appeal windows closed last week, none are currently open, and the next round opens in August.

**ODE EMIS sessions** – June 22-26 is the next round of remote training sessions. Sign up soon via STARS if you want to register, a few sessions are already full.

**Q:** If a student meets the flexible options for graduating this year, is there a special program code?

**A:** That is still being discussed, but it is 50/50 at this point if there will be. If so, it will be a program code that will be reported in Grad collection.

**Upcoming Calls** –

ODE Change Call – Wednesday, June 10, 2020

ODE ITC Call – Monday, June 15, 2020