

ODE Conference Call – 11/5/2018

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**USPS redesign** – we received some guidance from SSDT recently on something that may have an impact on EMIS. If you're using USPS redesign, the new agent now specifies which reporting year you're in. This has been frustrating with the old USPs when the fiscal years change to know which year will be pulled. Now there is a pointer to indicate which year. We don't know how to set it up or how it works but wanted to point out this info from SSDT so when we get to next summer it should help simplify things.

**FY18G Graduate collection** – closed Friday (Nov 2), appeal window is now open (Nov 5-16). Three things to point out as part of Grad appeals and status of Grad reports:

1. Overall, ODE believes the Level 2 reports work well, but there are a couple bugs ODE is working to fix, not because of things you are reporting in "G" but something that could still cause graduate status to change slightly. The check to see if a Grad is still enrolled in FY19 is not picking up all kids it should, some Grade 23 this year are not pulled out of grad status at this point. This may help identify those who aren't really enrolled and did graduate but for some reason they rolled over into FY19. They can be reported as a summer withdrawal or a WD81 in FY19S (should be very few). Still have a few bugs related to WD reasons being included, primarily summer WD reasons, nothing to appeal since this is all prior year data where they were reported as withdrawn but it wasn't applied to cohort determinations on ODE's end.
2. ODE has been getting lots of questions regarding the Grad assessment files on the Reports tab. Those are "advisory" reports to help districts verify they've reported all assessments they need to report. If they reported a diploma the student will count as a graduate. First, the key data to focus on is the diplomas getting reporting and students assigned to the correct cohorts; do you think they should not be in your cohort at all or should be in a different cohort? Secondly, if you have time, look at the assessment reports, if you aren't feeling overwhelmed by having to look at everything.
3. Appeals, if approved, will result in the FY18G collection being reopened for a district to submit new files until the deadline. Appeals may come in for students whose cohort changed when ODE switched methods to determine cohorts – the basis for that type of appeal will be that you have evidence that you misreported data in a prior school year that now impacts their cohort assignment but it didn't before (e.g., misreporting "Fiscal Year Began 9<sup>th</sup> Grade" and it was used to assign their cohort). There are very limited scenarios where a cohort change would be looked at for an appeal, maybe an SSID change or another odd situation, very few and far between. Encourage districts to document their case. ODE will continue to process grad data nightly throughout the appeal window for districts to get updated reports. They do NOT expect Grad Testing files to be updated during the appeal window. ODE will update them at the end (and possibly once in the middle of the window but don't count on it) since they are manually produced and take quite a bit of time to rerun.

**Q:** There was a *Gen Issues* report that came out last week for Grad Rate above 100%, was that a bad report?

**A:** Those are run by the Data Managers so contact them directly to see if there was a bad result.

**Q:** If a district totally forgot to report Grad CORE for FY17 graduates, there is no appeal, correct?

**A:** CORE records are reported in “G” collections for the *Prep for Success* measure and are cumulative. If they forgot to submit CORE in FY17G, only if the students are still around, they can report in FY18G. Look at Dual Credits reported also.

**Q:** A district had a couple non-EOC records where the FE exemption wasn’t showing 3 points, is that something they don’t need to worry about?

**A:** Don’t worry unless they’re doing an appeal anyway. There was a timing issue with those records being included. We’re in the process of updating assessment files this morning, so look at the updated ones to see if there is still an issue. Districts should file an appeal if they didn’t report data and would like to see it corrected, but this will not impact them being a graduate, so it’s up to the district if they request an appeal or not. If that is their only issue, look to see if they included the data and it is just now showing up – in that case there is nothing to appeal. It has no impact, but if they did forget they can appeal, it is up to them.

**Q:** Are *Grad Issues* reports still being updated?

**A:** Yes, still running those daily like the other Level 2 Grad reports. Data was last run Saturday night (11/3), so if their reports are dated prior to that, they aren’t getting any more grad issues.

**FY18A CTE Assessment collection** – now has Missing Assessment file for GY records, based on vendor files. The check doesn’t include course enrollment information yet, but ODE is still trying to get it added it to the Missing report.

**Federal Child Count** – we are now past the Federal Child Count date (10/31) so now is a good time to remind Special Ed staff to turn in events for their EMIS Coordinators to get them reported. They have until close of first “S” enrollment (December 20) to get data submitted.

## **Q&A**

**Q:** We have a district with an approved CTE-26 for Subject Code “252525” and Curriculum Element “VC”, which is no longer valid; how do they know when to report new subject code with Curriculum Element “V3”, and do they need to update their CTE-26?

**A:** ODE should be making this adjustment on their end but will doublecheck. Put in a helpdesk ticket.

**Q:** Are there any changes to Program of Concentration this year?

**A:** We added “Cybersecurity”, and none are being discontinued.

**Q:** Are there any issues with the Grad report where “student accountability moved to another LEA”?

**A:** Nothing jumps out, but make sure your “G” data is reported correctly, and then wait and see if it counts or if there is a bug for ODE to fix.

**Q:** Is there a new code for foster placement yet?

**A:** ODE is still trying to work through new codes and hopes to have them by Wednesday’s change call or they’ll move the change call back a week.

### **Schedule**

Next ODE Change Call – Wednesday, November 7

Next ODE Conference Call – Monday, November 19