

ODE Conference Call – 11/6/17

SSID confirmation – ODE has been doing some SSID research with IBM to identify cases where there are multiple SSID's in the IBM system with the same data elements (First Name, Middle Name, Last Name, Gender and DOB). They have a list from IBM, and after looking at funding they've found about 50 pairs (so 50-100 kids) where they're on IBM's list with matching info and being funded for > 1.0 FTE. ODE needs to know if these are for same students or multiple students. About half have changed districts and the two districts haven't figured it out because with two different SSID's they're not appearing as conflicts in ODDEX. It could be that there are real cases of two separate students with identical values in those fields. ODE will be sending emails to the ITC's and asking for them to report back. This will be a periodic check, so if there are indeed 2 different students with the same identifying information, ODE wants to keep a list to eliminate them up front on future checks. A lot of those pairs involve two different ITC's.

ODDEX-History-Assessment module – ODE has been working on issues resulting in updates to assessment records, which requires a fair amount of time to update assessments for multiple years. They have added in performance levels for ELA, taken out performance levels for reading sub-scores (when reading went from sub-scores to scaled scores), added in fall window, and some other minor tweaks/improvements. There are about 8 million rows of data to process, so this may take up to a week or more to update all data in ODDEX. Districts will see some changes with Reading and ELA when the results start to show up.

Staff Valid Certification Report – ODE is getting close to launching that as a Level 2 report. There is a chance it'll be out later this week, but most likely next week since ODE will be closed this Friday for Veteran's Day. ODE will publish an update to the Initial Staff/Course Collection when they're available. They will be very similar to the old reports, with some good improvements: 1) will be combined HQT and Cert reports, since many data points are the same (basically the old Cert Report plus 3 or 4 new fields), and 2) they've also done some work to assign appropriate result codes for Cert Status and HQT Status.

CTE Reports – ODE discovered issues with CTE reports that were used for most recent final payments (what was used to base appeals on). ODE figured this out through appeals and has updated the data. CTE reports will be updated in FY17L2 collection, so districts who filed appeals should verify their data.

FY17 Funding Appeals – ODE is close to getting them all processed for FY17 funding; almost there! Hoping to have finalized FTE reports based on flagging, etc. out later this month.

Federal Child Count – Be aware, ODE has always said FCC should be finished ASAP, and ideally in the first enrollment window. There is a possibility that ODE’s Office for Exceptional Children is going to decide (per feedback from Feds based on allocations and work that they have to do) that they are going to require data to be finished by the end of the first “S” enrollment window (December 21). There are many other Federal reporting requirements in law for data based on the end of October. Start getting the word out, (an EMIS newsflash will come out if it is indeed the case), **FCC may need to be done by DECEMBER**. FCC and IEP’s impact funding, and FTE adjustment checks are there for having no IEP in place. Get data cleaned up as soon as possible.

Q&A

Q: Close dates of first ‘S’ enrollment collections are different (AODE shows 12/21, 1TRD shows 12/22).

A: Per the EMIS schedule they both close on December 21, so the Data Collector is wrong. Manifests will be fixed so they both reflect December 21 [this was fixed by the end of this call]. ODE will need to process Thursday night instead of Friday night since the following Monday (12/25) is a State holiday.

Q: ODE is not including Social Studies in HQT this year?

A: Correct, it has been emerging in the last few weeks that this is not changing this year. ODE has confirmed with their contacts at least twice, that the list of courses for HQT and CERT for Local Report Card are staying the same.

Q: When did this come out? We were never told it changed so districts have been changing HQT reasons.

A: We’ll be talking about it on the next change call as well. This was just withdrawn in the last few weeks.

Q: So if our districts put in HQT status for Social Studies, will they get errors or will it be ignored?

A: Worst case, they may get a warning on reports. ODE will change to HQT Not Required for this course, so if they put an HQT code that’s not needed, they don’t have to change the data back. We identify it so districts will know, but ODE makes the switch to “I” [eye] just like we always have.

Q: FY17 CTE reports, will something go out to let districts know when they get updated?

A: Yes, an EMIS Newsflash will come out when they’re available.

Q: CCP agreements are not loaded.

A: We're in the process, but got caught up in updating assessments, and the replication is bogged down on copying up assessments. ODE shows quite a few records they've loaded but haven't made it up to SSDT yet for alternative agreements for funding. Those should appear in ODDEX at any time.

Q: We have a ticket in regarding some college data that has not been loaded yet.

A: That is completely possible, last year some colleges didn't report their data until January. ODE has loaded everything we've received as of about a week ago. If colleges just submitted data to ODE, it'll be loaded soon.

Q: When will we get missing assessment reports?

A: They will come out within the next 1-2 weeks. ODE has vendor files for summer but not yet for any fall assessments. ODE is also working on enrollment checks. Plan on Missing Assessment lists for:

- KRA (based on an enrollment component, not sure about vendor file)
- ELA (based on an enrollment component, not sure about vendor file)
- COS (a little more complicated, meeting w/that office to come up with enrollment criteria)
- Fall Grade 3 Reading (enrollment & vendor file)
- Fall DORP (enrollment & vendor file)
- OGT/EOC (only driven by vendor files)

Updates to the Missing Assessment lists will show if the student is missing based on them being enrolled, being on the vendor file, or both. ODE will increase the precision of the missing lists so students don't appear more than once, or appear for just one subject when all subjects are needed. You will start seeing "A" collections roll out with updates as soon as enrollment checks and/or vendor files are ready to go. ODE has made a lot of progress, and their priority is to roll the Missing Assessment lists out in the order that the collections close (KRA and DORP close first, so that is where the emphasis is).

Q: What is the status of ODDEX roles for Assessment history, it is not in OEDS yet; and what about the other roles and SAFE authentication for the Data Collector?

A: ODE is hoping to get assessment history roles done today, others may be done later this week or next. First thing is to get the roles out, then allow time for districts to set roles up, then when they roll it out they'll ask an ITC to go first to do some testing. ODE anticipates they'll have a hot-fix for the Data Collector (smaller bugs were identified but they're holding off to see if there are any SAFE related issues that need included). It will be early December at the soonest that they'll permit turning on SAFE authentication. Most ITC's will probably wait until after the holidays and implement in January, which is fine. Moving closer!

Q: HQT and Social Studies – we don't remember this being discussed before. What is the current status?

A: That change has been withdrawn, so there is no change for Social Studies for this school year. After they looked a little closer, they discovered not only was HQT written in State law, but *subjects* were also written into State law. They cannot add a subject (which is the intent here), unless State law changes. ODE will ignore them for the final result, and switch to "I" [eye] for any course not required for HQT. We can't say we'll totally ignore because we put a message on the report to let you know we changed them to not counting in calculations.

Q: What about the reverse check [change 56486 first discussed in June2017]?

A: That rule is unchanged, staff must still be Proper Cert to be HQT, but the reverse is not happening this year. It was just to "Reverse the check on HQT vs Proper Cert for Gifted and Special Ed Intervention Specialists", but we're not doing it this year.

Next ODE Conference call: Monday, November 20

Next ODE Change call: Wednesday, November 8