

ODE EMIS Conference Call Summary

8.26.19 Notes provided Naja Bailey (META) and Catherine Wright (NEONET)

Retention FY20 – Closing Friday, August 30th with a very brief (less than a week) appeal window because this is on the Fy19 LRC. ODE plans to apply results from summer TGRG to the warehouse for checks, so those are currently not being factored in yet.

FY19 Financial (H) – Closing this Friday, August 30th. Also, the Supplemental H Collection will be opening in September and the appeal window will be open from September 16th to October 2nd for any MOE issues.

FY19 ELA Preschool - scheduled also to close this week. Remember you can check ODDEX for results from other districts.

FY19 Preschool Child Outcome Summary (COS) – ODE is releasing a new version to add a missing list, so the close date is being extended to the end of September. Every student with a disability should have at least one COS result reported or will appear on the missing list.

CTE/CTE report card – ODE has been rewriting code to make things more consistent/complete with more reports. One is the Career Tech Grad file that came out last week (one issue: the status doesn't show a green checkbox, shows message indicating some duplicate students on report. ODE working to eliminate dups and will have a new version by the end of this week/next week at the latest). Prep for Success reports are close to being finished, the State Board significantly changed calculations for the Career Tech report card. All the individual measures on LRC have reports out there now. Overall Grade is being worked on so CT people can see all SSID's that lead to the measures, and the measures themselves, before the CT report card comes out.

Q: Has ODE talked about if there will be a change in the excessive absence threshold?

A: There was a change in the budget bill regarding medically excused absences, but it is more complex than just tweaking categories. ODE's business office for HB410 is actively working with Legal to make sure they fully understand the way the law was changed, and also working on updating guidance on how this impacts HB410. As of now they don't believe they'll make changes in data options or counts for EMIS reporting, most likely just updates to EMIS documentation. They don't anticipate large changes in EMIS, but more outside EMIS such as guidance to LEA's on what counts, thresholds, etc. Law is not effective until early October, and they're trying hard to provide updates by then.

Q: On the Retention Data in the SDC, when you look at the inconsistent retention data we are seeing zeros but when you click the Analyze option there are students listed. Will this be changing?

A: Sounds like a potential bug in the display or report. Please submit a ticket and make sure to list the specific district.

Q: For the students taking the summer tests, what date should they use?

A: Those are not collected through EMIS, they use the vendor file and load straight into the warehouse. In the end, the month only is for EMIS reporting so just pick a month in the summer (June or July).

ITCs - The new version of the Data Collector is out there, and we're down to about 5-6 ITC's that haven't installed it yet. Try to get done this week or this coming weekend at latest. Just a few minor bugs so we're working on a hotfix that is close to being available; it won't require a full install (just need to stop service, swap out file and restart). We just have one general welcome message out there, we were not putting much out until everyone has installed but will start using it more actively by the end of this week.

Q: (feedback regarding possible cancellation of 9/11 ODE Change Call due to discussing changes at OEDSA) If you have information on the change for attendance and medical excuses it would be worthwhile, otherwise we'll mostly all be at OEDSA. Should we talk to our districts about adding attendance codes, like medically excused or mom called in?

A: We won't have more information on that change in two weeks, there may only be a couple lines in the EMIS manual regarding updated guidance. Not sure yet if that'll be needed, part of the discussion is the definition of medical excuse, so I would hate to give guidance to do that and then find out it wasn't necessary. I understand the desire to have details, but laws make perfect sense on the surface but then when you get down in there, some interpretation needs to take place. Legal hasn't weighed in yet. May have administrative code saying excused with medical reason defined by the district, so will that change, and it has to be X? We don't have enough information to say if/how you have to subdivide it.

Q: FY19 Grad Issues – is there any documentation out there to clarify all the checks? We have tickets out there with no updates, and districts are asking for info.

A: All the checks are out there, and more complete documentation is being worked on but no concrete date for when that'll be available. As with everyone, we've had staff out this summer and have been working on LRC data, so we're just asking for a little patience on that and it'll get answered by the right people, sorry about that.

Next call:

Conference Call: Monday, September 9, 2019

Change Call: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 (may be cancelled due to OEDSA)