

Agenda Items

- **For IRS:** We have a district that would like to begin uploading their EOY Snapshot records. We informed them that this wouldn't be a problem, however what they really want to know is...when will this information be reflected in the EOY VRs? In other words, any idea when the VR13 (not to mention the VRs 11, 12, 14, & 15) will be available and refreshed on a weekly basis?
- **Response:** We started making VR10-15 reports available on June 3 and have begun refreshing every Wednesday. VR10 certification is due on August 5, 2009. VR11-15 certification is due on November 4, 2009.

VR11-15 reports include a "list of potentially eligible students" that will be included in these reports once the required EOY Snapshot, COSF and/or Special Education Events data are sent to the repository. Until then, these lists will allow school district to check that they have migrated all students' enrollment, demographic and program service records.

See the attached for a description of which students that are to be reported in VR10-15 reports and what must be in the L2 repository by July 31 and what can come in later for each of these reports.

- **For IRS:** with regards to the graduation total cohort, what is the "ending enrollment date" refer to for inclusion in a school's cohort-would it be as of June 30th or August 31st? (i.e. if a student is discharged from SCHOOL A to SCHOOL B on July 1 with a code 153, does he/she count on the Total Grad cohort of SCHOOL A?
- **Response:** The Total Cohort Verification Reports present outcome (graduation, dropout, etc) results through June 30th. The Graduation Rate Cohort for accountability considers enrollment through June 30 and diplomas earned through August 31. In your example you gave the student would be counted in School A for both cohorts.
- **For IRS:** Total Cohort report on nySTART:

Districts are logging complaints about the functionality to put the student detail into MSEXcel or PDF. Once it is in MSEXcel it is very difficult and time consuming to work with because of the number of columns and formatting which includes merged cells to contend with with long stretches of blank data in between. To print it on one sheet would require a district to use a magnifying glass or view it and/or print and tape reports together for each student. I know a bug track has been logged on this and there is much information about how districts can work with it in MSEXcel. But, the solution is not acceptable ie for large districts.

What are the alternatives for a district ?

We did advise the districts who have called to try the data downloads. We were told by one district that there wasn't one for Total Cohorts . Since I cannot verify it, could you confirm if this is true.

- **Response:** PDF functionality was restored on nySTART. L2RPT and the IRS portal offer alternatives for the 3-8 and HS AVR's (including PDF conversion in the L2RPT reports), but there is currently no Total Cohort alternative to nySTART. The Department is working to provide files to data centers that can be distributed to district personnel.

NOTES FROM THE CONFERENCE CALL

Timelines

- AVR's out 6/2
- Pre AOR's 7/2
- ISR's have been released – links to reach bulk ISR's will be fixed by 4pm today
- Total Cohort Grad rate: no idea when this report will be out in nySTART, but it's **POSSIBLE** it'll be sometime the week of June 22nd.
- Clean up file deadline is July 10th

RFIRST

- Report grade K-3 like always
- K – 3 will show on NYStart

L2RPT

- Status conf call will be on Wed June 17th at 3pm. Peter is setting up the call this week.
- Any differences between L2RPT and NYStart should be logged in BugTrack
- It was asked if the detail in the L2RPT reports can be used to support discrepancies in the NYStart reports see those are the authoritative reports.
- Tested/Not Tested for NYSESLAT have been added to L2RPT

NYStart

- T/NT for Math and ELA are down and will stay down because the other reports are now available This should help with the performance.

UIAS

- If reports look like they have not changed contact Charlene with particulars. A number of RICs reported this. (NOTE: NERIC contacted Charlene about this. After communicating between L2 and SED it appears this may be an error with generating the UIAS reports. As a consequence we will not send out the latest batch until the error in the UIAS reports have been resolved).
- Number of errors when running the reports has decreased, therefore corrections are being made