

# FAMIS Conference Notes – June 7 – 9, 2010

## National Trends

- A. Teacher Class Roster – public posting
  - a. Louisiana public teacher rosters, by class rolls will move also to posting of gains also textbooks & vendor impact success. Key point – teacher of record/acc???
  - b. EOC Exams – 30% minimum requirements- how this relates to course grade, what type score, validity resources (SS, critical content & criteria basis ??)
- B. ESE Portal – version 2.0 now out (greatly enhanced & stable & internal HELP for users)
  - a. 18 school districts, 47,000 users
  - b. 71K+ IEPs; 6100 EPs; 15,000 matrices; prior written notices; meeting notices; progress reports, 2 million page hits
  - c. Progress report options extremely popular; student dashboard
  - d. District ESE leadership and users in part dictate changes; very intuitive
  - e. Really savvy, highly interactive users
  - f. State offers Help Desk services; district user conference calls; buddy-system across veteran/new district users; no charge for districts use
  - g. Classroom, school, district & “power-user” options
  - h. Tech requirements 0 standard, regular DOE survey formats: teacher course; student course; student demographics; staff demographics & staff login; highly secure: works off MS Active Directory Services (ADFS)
  - i. First step: district ESE director & district tech conference with DOE/PEER Project staff
  - j. Logs access & users; provides management reports
  - k. Works with virtual schools and courses; school within a school
- C. Sunshine Connection tools & resources – high quality & systems for teachers & school districts use – WORTH INVESTIGATING FOR LCS
  - a. Accommodates charter schools (as of fall 2010)
  - b. Does new year rollovers, archiving
  - c. Systems is FAST – 40MB, uploads < 5 seconds
  - d. Online identity management (includes new account formation – on demand 24x7; on demand password reminders or updates
  - e. [Greg.giese@fldoe.org](mailto:Greg.giese@fldoe.org) / 245-9310
- D. SIS Changes – relatively few; no new formats (for a change); Excel formats on web with specific changes updated yesterday
  - a. Survey 6 & 8 split into two: 6 = student membership (student demo) & FACTS.org Sept 3 & 17<sup>th</sup>; 8 = PMRN, July 29 – Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - b. 3 formats have added elements
    - DJJ entry & exit deleted SS test scores, GS only

- ELL edit changes
- ESE added M, deleted E&G on environment due to fed change
- FED 1<sup>st</sup> indicator added test accommodations; homeless cause
- Prior school deleted R/E category (only on student demographics) changed hurricane/earthquake
- SESIR – new OCR & FL statutes (J.J. students stand Up) in databases; race, sex, disability; incident type – deleted BHA, added BUL, HAR, UBL & UHR, added Z code
- Student course transcript; also submit for Alg 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders (see format for course #'s, OCR required/audited); added school yr record submitted, course taken (name edit only)
- Student demographic – added survey 8 (PMRN requirement)
- Discipline referral action (OCR) added action codes to reflect restraint & seclusion
- Student EOY – added DOP influences
- Teacher course – HQT is all FTE surveys
- Documentation changes – SESIR definitions & examples, revised course lists, core courses, NCLB, AP/IB/ACE, ELL FTE; virtual instruction providers (added 307, deleted 304)
- Title I SES providers (in Sept)
- CAPE Academics (Oct, 2010)
- Industry Cert 1 (July)
- Deleted MAI & R/E category
- FASTER – DOP Placement is OPTIONAL; new FHSAA consent element ; print after scan – optional
- EDIT changed/added – see NWRDC
- STORED for further notice

#### E. Database Committee Sessions

- SES
- Virtual School Courses – problem; VS vendors are reporting do not match Survey 2/4 records
  - Can we open Survey 2/3 for virtual schools only? This is problematic
  - Need a session on VS issues at FAEDS Reco – on Survey 5
- Charter schools
  - Lack of consistent pr??
  - Elementary, secondary, d-w, charter
- EOC
  - 30% exam hours weighted after first semester grade is awarded
  - Change ALG to year long course only
  - Committee working on it to discuss exam weighting issues – FHSAA confirmation district reporting/procedural issues, valedictorian/salutarium; more issues with

- F. Charter schools – data break-out since there is limited LEA control over data quality
  - a. Course code – HQT flag must be populated & CCD needs to be approved sooner; rules process
    - Certification codes are still not consistent, Crosswalk is not adequate, changes are made at anytime, teacher certification
    - \*recommendation from Steering Committee to get earlier and consistent CC information - it's a class size
- G. FASTER – all districts must participate & enforcement is needed & recommended from SC;
  - Statute change – prior year & historical records must also be spelled out
  - Jackie Johnson
  - Must have elementary
  - Teeth needed, penalty or credit only way
  - SHOTS support
- H. IT Auditing – AG office, IT Audit Division
  - a. IT & Financial/FEFP & Operational & Quality Assessment Reviews
  - b. Frequency – 3 yrs
    - < 150,000 Annual Financial
    - > 150,000 (24) audited every 3 years
  - c. Risk assessment: because of critical dependence on IT, operational audits of IT are part of QA, Financial, FEFP & IT audits. Emphasis on controls.
  - d. JR participation in change management CR
  - e. Dale security incident documentation & data study
  - f. 1 SACA membership
- I. AUDIT – security officer, staff training & on-going awareness, AUP, vendor/3<sup>rd</sup> part, most critical applications-user authentication, change management, access criteria, critical transaction monitoring logging, user ID process/passwords; user account profile logs, data management – security; written policies on access authorizations, transmission, storage, physical environmental controls; restoration & recovery, written approved & tested disaster recovery, vulnerability scan, security incident logging ???
  - GAO / FLSCAM
  - NIST, 800 users, ???, see incident
  - COBIT
- J. IT Findings Summary Report
  - a. DB Health check
  - b. Sufficient laptop security \*\*
  - c. Password + encrypt
  - d. Most prevalent problematic findings:
    - 613 findings in 2008-09; 144 were repeat findings
    - Access to ???; IT resources access & controls
    - Access controls (380/613)
    - Security management (120/613) security risk assessment, vulnerability testing

- Get report – see exhibit B for details
- Collaborative approach

K. FAEDS – password security session

L. SC – best practice on audit security; password

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- a. Impact of 2 week Title I, AYP Choice notification (federal statute)
- b. Notice on new calculations/reports
- c. Class size reduction simulator
- d. 2001-10; 5/11/2010