

Special Education Module

December 2020 Child Count Closes on January 15, 2021

The December child count is due by close of business on January 15, 2021. If you have already certified your count, thank you! If not, please ensure that all data errors are corrected, and the count is certified on Friday 1/15/2021.

2021 Federal Reporting Dates Calendar

The 2021 Important Dates calendar has been posted to the EC Division website under <u>ECATS/Reporting</u>. Any changes to the due dates posted will be communicated through the Monday Message or the Directors message. Please ensure that all federal reporting due dates are met. Questions regarding these dates can be submitted to kelley.steen@dpi.nc.gov

ECATS Update to CTE Test Name and New Accommodations Code

After a recent CTE code change in ECATS, which was required for CTE federal legislation of Perkins V, the field reported some unintended consequences. It was reported by many that a display problem was created. To resolve the problem, the CTE test name which is currently "CTE Indicator Proof of Learning" will be updated to "CTE Proof of Learning". The test code will remain 'CTE'. This is an update to the test name only. This new umbrella state test name "CTE Proof of Learning" will apply to all CTE students (FRC, students on the OCS pathway, and student participating on the ECS pathway). The major change will be the addition of a new accommodation code 'CTEI' with accommodation name "CTE Indicator Proof of Learning (IPOL)". This new accommodation should only be used for students on the OCS pathway or students participating on the ECS pathway.

The test name and addition of the new accommodation will be implemented in ECATS the night of Friday, January 15, 2021. Users should see the change when returning from the holiday weekend.

Synopsis of change: CTE Test Code: CTE *(no change)* Current Test Name: CTE Indicator Proof of Learning New Test Name: CTE Proof of Learning

New Accommodation code: CTEI New Accommodation name: CTE Indicator Proof of Learning (IPOL)

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