ECATS End-of-Year (EOY) and Beginning-of-Year (BOY) Processes

EOY Process
The 2021-22 EOY Process for the Home Base suite of applications will begin Wednesday, June 29. Home Base will be taken offline on Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. EOY processing and archiving of data will start on Thursday morning, June 30.

School year close-out files for ECATS will be pulled at PowerSchool EOY shutdown. This allows the ECATS Special Education Module and the MTSS EWS to have final data for the 2021-2022 school year including: final grades, incidents, and course information, etc.

During the EOY process, ECATS will remain available for use. Please be aware that ECATS will remain available to users; however, data transfers between the systems will be turned off during this time. This means no new students will be added to ECATS, and no 2022-2023 PowerSchool data will be updated in ECATS until the EOY process is complete, EDDIE data has been imported into PowerSchool, and other data verifications have occurred.

BOY Process
Once EDDIE data has been consumed into PowerSchool and data verifications have occurred, ECATS will pull files for an initial load of data for the 2022-2023 school year. Once this process is complete, ECATS will resume its regular data file import schedule.

ECATS pulls current-year information only on the schedule shown below.
Please watch for communication updates as this end-of-year process and setup for the beginning of the new school year takes place.

Federal Reporting Office Hours
As a reminder, the Federal Reporting Office Hours are open from at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM on the first Wednesday of each month. Please contact Khalilah O’Farrow-Boulware at khalilah.ofarrow@dpi.nc.gov if you have any questions. To join in and ask any questions about upcoming federal reporting, please use the following link: https://ncgov.webex.com/meet/khalilah.ofarrow.

Note: This message is a repeat of the June 15, 2022 Director’s Weekly Message.

Indicator 7
All Public-School Units are responsible for certifying Indicator 7: Preschool Outcomes in ECATS. The certification schedule for Indicator 7 begins August 1, 2022 and is due by close of business August 19, 2022.

Note: This message is a repeat of the June 15, 2022 Director’s Weekly Message.

Indicator 11
All Public-School Units are responsible for certifying Indicator 11: Child Find in ECATS. Indicator 11 count captures the percent of students for whom a referral was received, and placement determined within 90 days and is based on data from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The certification schedule for Indicator 11 begins October 3, 2022 and is due by close of business October 31, 2022. See the memorandum for more information. (ATTACHED)
Indicator 12

Indicator 12 must be submitted via spreadsheet by all Traditional Public-School Units prior to the due date of October 31, 2022. Charter Schools and State Operated Programs do not need to submit an Indicator 12 spreadsheet this year. The Indicator 12 spreadsheet can be accessed from the ECATS Reporting website at: https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptional-children/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/reporting. Please email all completed Indicator 12 spreadsheets to ecindicators@dpi.nc.gov.

Important Federal Reporting Reminder: Submission Timeliness

If your district does not certify the data required for Indicators by the due date, your data may be certified by state staff. The integrity of the data is always at risk when the Department of Public Instruction must finalize the data for your district.

For previous issues of the ECATS Monday Message, please visit https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptional-children/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/monday-messages.