Special Education Module

Exit Count
September captures end-of-year reporting data on students exiting special education during the July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 fiscal year. The Exit Count opened September 15, 2021 and is due by close of business September 30, 2021. The federal reporting webinar video and other resources on the Exit Count are accessible from the ECATS Main Menu – Resources section. Additional resource documents to assist with Exit Count are available for your review. [ATTACHED]

Note: This message is a repeat of the September 22, 2021, Director’s Weekly Message.

Indicator 8 Reminder
For the select districts who have been notified, please be sure to get the Indicator 8 surveys out to the parents.

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2020-2021 End of Year Data Submission for Indicator 11
All Public-School Units are responsible for certifying Indicator 11 - Child Find in ECATS. The 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, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The Indicator 11 Count opens October 1, 2021 and is due by close of business October 29, 2021. The training video, ECATS Webinar – Indicator 11 Reporting, along with additional reference handouts are posted in each district's ECATS instance on the main page under Resources > Federal Reporting. Please submit any questions or student level data corrections directly to ZenDesk to ensure that problems with data are corrected efficiently. [ATTACHED]

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2020-2021 End of Year Data Submission for Indicator 12
Indicator 12 captures data on students who received Part C services and were referred to Part B during the July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 fiscal year. All students must have an IEP developed within 90 days of the referral and receive services by their 3rd birthday. Indicator 12 will be submitted on spreadsheets by all PSUs and can be accessed by clicking this link: Indicator 12 Spreadsheet or by going to the ECATS site under
Resources (https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptional-children/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/resources). The spreadsheet has a tab with helpful clarifications to assist PSUs on entering their data and can be submitted at any time prior to the due date of October 29, 2021. Charter Schools do not need to submit an Indicator 12 spreadsheet this year. Please email all Indicator 12 spreadsheets to ecindicators@dpi.nc.gov.

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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 has to finalize the data for your district.

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.

ECATS Data Manager Contact Directory
Please click this link to access the ECATS Data Manager Contact Directory. Review and update the ECATS Data Manager who serves as the point of contact for your LEA/Charter School/State Operated Program.

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.