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NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

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PowerSchool 19.11.0.2 Upgrade

NCDPI's statewide PowerSchool upgrade to version 19.11.0.2 is planned for the March 20-23 maintenance weekend. The upgrade will include several new features and enhancements, as well as resolve several issues users are currently experiencing. Beta testing for this release is in progress. Details of what this upgrade entails may be viewed in the release notes for PowerSchool SIS 19.11.0.0 through 19.11.0.2. Some new features include:

•Enhanced School Switcher – Adds ability to filter schools by name, number, abbreviation, category

•Find Me – Admin can locate a student based on their current location/scheduled class

•Student Focused Standards Scoresheet – Teachers have an overview of a student's progress on assignments with standards for selected reporting period

- Custom Report Name in the Report Queue – Teachers will see their custom report name in the report queue

- Expanded Functionality for the Individual Student Report – Teachers can run Individual Student Report for an entire section

PowerSchool will be taken offline Friday, March 20 at 5 p.m. and will resume operations no later than Monday, March 23 at 6 a.m. More information pertaining to this upgrade will be provided as we move closer to the implementation date.
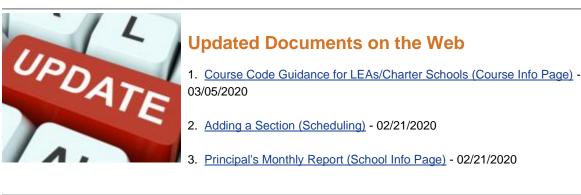

2020-2021 School Start and End Dates

School Start and End Dates for 2020-21 will be pulled on April 1, 2020.
G.S. 115C-84.2(a2) specifies that a report on the start and end dates of the instructional calendar for students for the next academic year be provided to the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education by April 1 of each year. To make this deadline, the start and end dates of the instructional calendar for students for each school must be in PowerSchool **BEFORE April 1**.

For questions, contact LaShon Creech at studentaccounting@dpi.nc.gov.

Updated Documents on the Web

1. Course Code Guidance for LEAs/Charter Schools (Course Info Page) - 03/05/2020

2. Adding a Section (Scheduling) - 02/21/2020

3. Principal's Monthly Report (School Info Page) - 02/21/2020

Extending CCES Early Bird Registration and Session Details

www.ncpublicschools.org/cces/

Early Bird Registration for the 2020 Connecting Communities of Education Stakeholders (CCES) Conference has been extended to **March 13**. Please take advantage of this savings by registering early!
Credit card payments are accepted.

Registration BEFORE March 14, 2020

Registration ON/AFTER March 14, 2020

1 Day only (Monday through Wednesday)

$150

$175

2 Days (Monday through Wednesday)

$200

$225

3 Days (Monday through Wednesday)

$250

$275

Post-Conference (Thursday)

$75

$100

All teachers, student services personnel, principals, superintendents, parents, school administrators, community and business representatives are invited. Our registration options provide flexibility for schools and districts. **Check out the session details at http://bit.ly/2020CCESSessionDetails.**
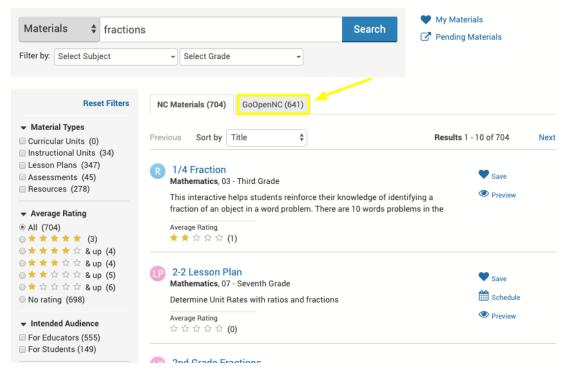Visit the Registration Webpage for more information.

Registration Link: bit.ly/CCES2020Registration

Schoolnet Integration with #GoOpenNC

The Home Base Team is excited to announce an integration between Schoolnet and #GoOpenNC. Following a special maintenance window from 8-9 p.m. ET tonight, users will be able to find supplemental instructional resources from #GoOpenNC within the Schoolnet instructional materials module.

The screenshot above shows the search results page in Schoolnet with the #GoOpenNC results in the search tabs. #GoOpenNC also leverages single sign-on via NCEdCloud so users can move between the platforms in a seamless manner. All resources on #GoOpenNC are aligned to North Carolina Standard Course of Study Standards and have multiple ways to provide feedback on the quality and alignment of the resource.

Please see our Schoolnet and #GoOpenNC Integration Guide for more detailed information about this integration and how users can fully utilize this new functionality. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pam Batchelor at pamela.batchelor@dpi.nc.gov.

The Canvas of Things

Free Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced Canvas Training Sessions:
- March 14 in Johnston County
- March 28 in Union County.

Earn .5 CEU recommended for Digital Learning Competency credit.
- Learn more
- Register to attend

Greetings Learners!

It is with excitement that we announce upcoming Learning.com virtual professional learning opportunities. The webinar topics offered are based on feedback received from the Learning.com Needs Assessment Survey. Please visit http://bit.ly/lcomspringpd2020 for the event invitation and registration links.

Participants may qualify for .1 CEU (equals to 1 hour of credit) for participating in the LIVE session of each webinar. We encourage you to share this invitation with your educators!

NCWiseOwl Webinars

Four NCWiseOwl Gale Webinars are available. All webinars offer CEUs from GALE including full viewing of recorded webinars and alignment to the NC Digital Learning Competencies. Detailed descriptions for each webinar are located in the NCWO Toolkit on the Professional Learning Page. Gale also houses recorded webinars and registration as a service for NC.

AUDIENCE: Teachers, Instructional Coaches, School Library Media, Instructional Technology, Other Certified Support Staff

- **10-Mar-2020 7-7:45 PM - REGISTER for NCWiseOwl: Gale Resources and Tools for EL and SPED Students**
- **14-Apr-2020 3:30-4:15 PM - REGISTER for CTE and your Gale Resources from NCWiseOwl**

NCEES Webinars

Mark your calendars for the upcoming NCEES webinars. All webinars will be recorded and posted to the Webinar Series document located on http://bit.ly/ncees-support. Click the titles below to register.
Please click the following link to review the full list: NCEES 2019-2020 Webinars .

UPCOMING WEBINARS:

1. **New Assistant Principal NCEES Series 6**
Note: Participants only register 1 time for all 10 meetings included in the series.

Description: New assistant principals need consistent ongoing support. This New Assistant Principal NCEES Series will offer 10 meetings over the 2019-20 school year. Each meeting will address *timely topics* to support NCEES, ensuring fair and reliable practices for assistant principals to support teacher growth. This series will also focus on the growth and development of the AP using the NC School Executive Standards within the AP evaluation process.

An agenda outline for all 10 meetings has been developed. In addition, participants will have a link to submit questions and ideas for topics/ standards to be covered throughout the series. This participant driven agenda will provide relative professional development that is immediately applicable for leader success. A deeper study of the standards will be guided by the feedback survey. Also note: The agenda may change throughout the series depending on professional development needs of the participants.

Link to agenda outline for all 10 meetings
Target Audience: NEW Assistant Principals
Remaining Dates: March 31, April 28, May 26, June 16
Time: 4-5 p.m.

2. EOY for Teachers/ Support Staff
Description: Participants will gain an understanding of the process for completing the Professional Development Plan End-of-Year Review. Teachers will explore the steps leading to the Summary Evaluation Conference, how to complete the signatures acknowledging the summary evaluation and how to provide a written response and artifacts.

Target Audience: Teachers and Support Staff, Evaluators, Observers
Remaining Dates: March 10
Time: 4-5 p.m.

Need Technical Assistance?

There are 3 ways to request PowerSchool support:
1.   CHAT: Chat support will be available for you through the PowerSchool Community at: Launch Chat Support
2.   CASE: Submit a case via the PS PORTAL: https://help.powerschool.com/
3.   CALL: **1-855-339-4790 (*This is a dedicated NC Support line.*)**

*Please ensure you are dialing the dedicated NC line when contacting support via phone.

** If you are reporting an outage or performance issue (P0 or P1), please CALL or use CHAT. This ensures immediate attention by PowerSchool support.

***For all other Home Base support needs *(Schoolnet, NCEES/Unified Talent, IAM/SSO (NCEdCloud), Staff & Student UID (eScholar))* contact the Home Base Support Center via web: https://ncgov.service-now.com/sp_dpi (24/7), or phone (919) 716-1840 (Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Remember to visit the NC SIS website for additional information including webinars and training documentation. Follow us on twitter @NCHomeBase.

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