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NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

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Home Base Maintenance Weekend Begins this Evening

The next Home Base maintenance weekend is scheduled for August 21-24, 2020. PowerSchool is the only application that will undergo maintenance. All other Home Base applications will remain available.

The PowerSchool application will be brought down on tonight at 7 p.m. and returned to service no later than 6 a.m., Monday, August 24. If maintenance is completed prior to Monday morning, systems will be made accessible and users will be notified via email.

Note: Each year, a list of scheduled maintenance windows are published by NCDPI. This is published in advance to help teachers and administrators better prepare for temporary outages and loss of access. Please review the [2020-2021 maintenance schedule](#) and put these dates on your calendar. In most cases, the entire window is not necessary and we can return systems to service earlier than listed.

If emergency maintenance is required in addition to these scheduled dates, all users will be notified in advance.

If you have any questions pertaining to this maintenance, please contact the Home Base Team at home_base@dpi.nc.gov.

State ODS Sync Update

The sync between the State ODS tables and the North Carolina PowerSchool instances is almost complete. All 3rd party applications including the Home Base suite of applications, the NCEdCloud IAM Service, and ECATS should now have the most current data.



Attendance Expectations for Remote Learning

As we kick off the 2020-2021 school year in remote settings, it is important that teachers and administrators maintain and submit accurate attendance records for state reporting and funding purposes. A new attendance code has been created for tracking students who are participating in remote instruction. In addition, the default present code description has been modified to specify on-site attendance. Please refer to the Attendance Requirements section of this [document](#) for more information on the attendance code changes and expectations.

After reviewing the various plans that have been submitted by North Carolina PSUs, the Professional Learning Team thought it might be beneficial to provide teachers with some resources that might assist attendance tracking. We are currently working to create a short video for teachers that will walk you through the various options within PowerTeacher Pro and the attendance screen. In the meantime, we have a few documents that are hot off the press that we'd like to share with you. The following QRDs will help teachers set up seating charts in PTPro to help differentiate between sections that have been split for partial remote and partial face-to-face learning, as well as gain a better understanding of the single and multi-day attendance functions.

- [Using Seating Charts in PowerSchool](#)
 - [PowerTeacher Single and Multi-Day Attendance](#)
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Home Base Webinars

2020-2021 School Year



Become a Home Base Empowered Educator!

To kickoff the 2020-2021 school year, the Home Base Team has created a series of eight 30 minute mini-webinars that are available on demand to help you make the most of Schoolnet, Canvas, and #GoOpenNC! CEU credit and a digital badge can be earned by watching at least two webinars. For more information, please visit bit.ly/homebase2school20

Canvas Monthly Webinars

Join us, starting in September, for monthly webinars to learn more about Canvas. Webinars will be one hour long and offered at 3pm and 7pm to help you attend the session that best fits your schedule. Educators who attend a live webinar will receive a CEU certificate for 0.1 CEU that is recommended for Digital Learning Competency Credit. All webinars will be recorded and archived on our YouTube channel to rewatch as needed. To register for our Canvas webinars, please visit: bit.ly/nccanvaswebinars



#GoOpenNC Monthly Webinars

Join us, starting in September, for monthly webinars to learn more about #GoOpenNC. Webinars will be one hour long and offered at 10am, 3pm, and 7pm to help you attend the session that best fits your

schedule. Educators who attend a live webinar will receive a CEU certificate for 0.1 CEU that is recommended for Digital Learning Competency Credit. All webinars will be recorded and archived on our YouTube channel to rewatch as needed. Make sure you [register today](#) for our upcoming webinars!

Schoolnet Monthly Webinars

Join us, starting in September, for monthly webinars to learn more about Schoolnet. Webinars will be one hour long and offered at 10am, 3pm, and 7pm to help you attend the session that best fits your schedule. Educators who attend a live webinar will receive a CEU certificate for 0.1 CEU that is recommended for Digital Learning Competency Credit. All webinars will be recorded and archived on our YouTube channel to rewatch as needed. To register for our Schoolnet webinars, please visit: bit.ly/nchoolnetresources



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LCOM Webinars

Learning.com Webinars are targeted to LEAs, charter schools, lab schools, and Innovative School District within Tier 1 counties with a Learning.com contract, K-8 classroom teachers, media coordinators, digital learning coaches, technology directors, district and school-level administrators. Webinar topics include:

- Using the Digital Literacy Assessment (DLA) to Gauge Your Students' Understanding of the ISTE Standards for Students
- Tracking Student Growth through Skills Checks

For more information and registration links, click the following [bit.ly: bit.ly/lcomvirtalsept2020](http://bit.ly/lcomvirtalsept2020).



NCEES 2020-21 Webinar Schedule

Welcome back, Educators! Start the year off with our 2020-2021 webinars. Registration links (click on titles), descriptions, dates and times are posted on the NCEES Google site at <https://sites.google.com/dpi.nc.gov/ncees-information-and-resource/webinars-2020-21>. Webinars are scheduled for Tuesdays from 4-5 p.m. unless otherwise designated.

NEW: This year our webinars are in the Cisco Webex platform. All will be recorded and posted to DPI's

YouTube [NCEES Playlist](#) and also on [NCEES Google site](#) which will include the presentation links for later viewing.

Please mark your August calendars for these webinars: *(titles are registration links with descriptions)*

- View on Demand - [Beginning of Year Orientation](#) (go-to-webinar sign in to view)
- Aug 4 (date passed)
 - Recording - [Admins Start of Year with Plans, Access Rights & What's New](#)
 - Presentation bit.ly/AdminsStartYear2020
- Aug 11 (date passed)
 - Recording [BOY Principals \(P/AP Plans\)](#)
 - Presentation - bit.ly/principal20-21BOY
- Aug 18 (date passed)
- Aug 25 - [BOY Teacher/Support Staff \(Plans\)](#)

Check out these NCEES informative summer webinars at #NCLearnsTogether!

- [Recording Local Professional Learning Opportunities in NCEES](#)
- [Admins Reflect, Review and Refresh for 2020-21](#)
- [CEUs MY PD My Courses My Transcript](#)



NCWiseOwl EBSCO Webinars 2020-2021

PSUs, please share with your teachers the following webinars. **Full descriptions can be found in the NCWiseOwl Toolkit.**

<https://ncdpi.instructure.com/courses/1276/pages/professional-learning-ebSCO>

1. Session Title: EBSCO Online Classroom Tools and Integration Tips

[REGISTRATION](#)

Date: Thursday, August 20, 2020 Time: 7 PM – 8 PM EST

2. Session Title: Accessibility and Usability Features within EBSCO Resources

[REGISTRATION](#)

Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2020 Time: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM EST

3. Session Title: Working with EBSCO eBooks

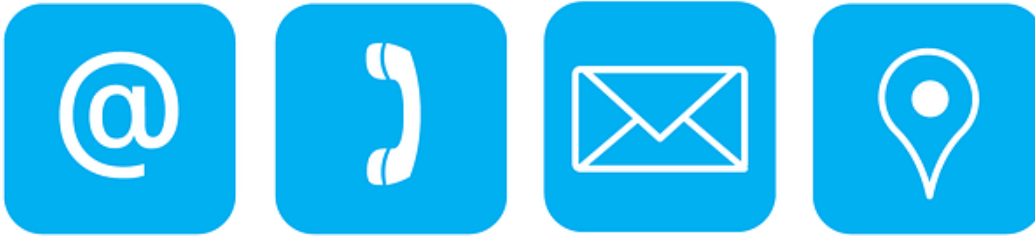
[REGISTRATION](#)

Date: Wednesday, October 7, 2020 Time: 7 PM – 8 PM EST

4. Session Title: EBSCO Reference Center Exploration

[REGISTRATION](#)

Date: Thursday, November 5, 2020 Time: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM EST



NCDPI Technology Support Center

NCDPI's Technology Support Center continues to meet your support needs for:

- Schoolnet
- NCEES/Unified Talent
- IAM/SSO (NCEdCloud)
- Staff & Student UID (eScholar)



Support availability:

Web (**NEW**)

URL: https://ncgov.servicenowservices.com/sp_dpi - 24/7

Phone: **919-716-1840**, Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. (excluding state holidays)

Technical support for **SIS** needs is handled directly by PowerSchool support using chat, phone, or by opening a case ticket.

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

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