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DIT Patching

The NC Department of Information Technology (DIT) will be performing monthly Linux patching, including the UID System servers, this Sunday, April 28, 2019, between 4:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. The Staff and Student UID systems will be unavailable during this time. Therefore, please do not enroll, transfer and/or update student demographic information in PowerSchool during this period.

**Reminder: NCDPI Funding Extension:
Intent-to-Contract w/Learning.com Now
Due May 10, 2019**



School districts and charter schools within Tier 1 economically distressed counties (as determined by the [NC Department of Commerce](#)) now have until **5 PM EST on May 10, 2019** to submit an intent-to-contract form if they intend to sign a local contract with Learning.com. This form was sent directly to Tier 1 superintendents, finance officers, and charter school directors in early April 2019. Only those districts and charter schools that complete this form by the deadline will be eligible to receive funding from NCDPI. All other districts and charter schools may still leverage the state convenience contract in order to realize cost savings and ensure contract terms are in alignment with state law and regulations.

More information about this opportunity may be found at: <https://homebase.ncpublicschools.gov/applications/learningcom>.



Reminder: Home Base Opt-in is Now Open for the 2019-20 School Year

Home Base users, please remind your district finance officers and charter principals to opt into Home Base for the 2019-20 school year! This will ensure continued use of the Schoolnet and NCEES Unified Talent applications. Access to these tools will end July 1 for those who do not opt in.

Additional applications are available to districts and charters, some at a state negotiated convenience price (ex. Canvas) and others for free. The deadline for opting in is June 15, 2019. For more information on the Home Base applications, visit the [Home Base](#) website and the [Home Base Opt-in FAQs](#). Also, checkout the [Home Base video](#).

End of Year

Reminder: 2018-19 End of Year Process and EDDIE Feed

The 2018-19 EOY Process for the Home Base Suite of Applications will begin **Friday, June 28, 2019**. Home Base will be taken offline Friday at 5:00 p.m. EOY processing and archiving of data will begin **Saturday morning, June 29, 2019**. Once all EOY tasks are completed and systems tested, Home Base will be returned to service. More information on the return to service date will be provided at a later date.

In preparation for EOY, NCDPI realizes many LEAs will need to update school information or create new schools to permit next year scheduling and student transitions prior to EOY. For this reason, the nightly feeds from EDDIE (Educational Directory and Demographical Information Exchange) into PowerSchool will be discontinued on **Friday, April 26, 2019 at 5 p.m.** The EDDIE feed will remain off until the completion of PowerSchool's EOY process. Once completed, a notice will be sent prior to reactivating the feed.

Important note: After the EDDIE feed is turned off, changes to EDDIE fields must be completed in both systems. Timing of changes may differ based on the type of change needed. See below:

1. Personnel changes will need to be made in PowerSchool and EDDIE to keep information in sync.
2. Future year changes to schools (e.g., new grade levels) can be made in PowerSchool to allow for scheduling and student transitions. These changes cannot be made in EDDIE until after completion of the EOY process for both systems since EDDIE is used as the authoritative source for school information. The EDDIE system does not have the capacity to flag changes as "future" and thus, must be kept in sync with each current school's status. A communication will be sent following EOY alerting users when these changes should be made in EDDIE. Changes will need to be completed before the EDDIE feed is turned back on, or they will be overwritten by the feed.

What can you do at this time in preparation for EOY? Schools may begin performing their school enrollment audits (Start > System Reports > System > School Enrollment Audit) and section enrollment audits (Start> Reports > Run Reports > Section Enrollment Audit) for accuracy. Links to section and school enrollment documentation on PowerSource are below. If you are unable to access PowerSource, please click on the pdf document.

Section Enrollment Audit (PowerSource)

<https://support.powerschool.com/article/77440>

[How to Validate Section Enrollments with the Section Enrollment Audit Report.pdf](#)

School Enrollment Audit (PowerSource)

<https://support.powerschool.com/article/59086>

[How to Validate School Enrollments with the School Enrollment Audit Report.pdf](#)

This may also be a good time to begin reviewing the EOY quick reference documents available on the NC SIS website's [EOY page](#). Please visit this page frequently for updates.

NCEdCloud IAM Service Multi-Factor Authentication Rollout Reminder

As a part of continuing efforts to enhance the security posture of statewide IT systems, and due to the access NCEdCloud IAM LEA Administrators and NCEdCloud IAM LEA Data Auditors have to student and employee account data, Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) will now be required for users with either of these roles in the NCEdCloud IAM Service. NCDPI will be rolling out MFA for these privileged users statewide on **Thursday, May 9, 2019**. This is a first step towards expanding similar security measures to educators and administrators with privileged access to staff and student data.



Note, this only applies to LEA/charter school users of the NCEdCloud IAM Service that have an LEA Administrator and/or LEA Data Auditor role.

The following webinar has been scheduled for Thursday, May 2nd to help prepare LEAs and charter schools for this transition within the NCEdCloud IAM Service:

Webinar Information: Thursday, May 2nd, from 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (<https://mcnc.zoom.us/j/6374845025>)

As a part of this implementation, we encourage LEAs and charter schools to review the list of staff members that currently have LEA Administrator and/or LEA Data Auditor roles to ensure that these roles are still required. Further information about the MFA rollout, as well as instructions on how to check for users with NCEdCloud elevated Privileged Roles, can be found by visiting the NCEdCloud website at <http://ncedcloud.mcnc.org/mfa>.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience during this transition to making data in the NCEdCloud IAM Service more secure.



End of Year Webinar

The End of Year (EOY) process webinar will cover procedures, guidelines, and instructions to prepare and execute EOY. This webinar will be recorded and available to view at a later date.

Date: Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4615835973525172227>

Please visit the [NC SIS Calendar](#) and [Home Base Calendar](#) frequently for upcoming trainings and webinars.

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

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