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## NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

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## PowerTeacher Pro Update

All NC PowerSchool instances are currently operating on PowerSchool 10. The Home Base Team has provided materials (videos and quick reference documents) on the [NC SIS site's PowerTeacher Pro page](#) that are based on version 10 of PowerSchool.

If users are going to PowerSource for support and other training needs, they will most likely find documents and other information that are based on PowerSchool version 11. Please redirect them to use the NCDPI guides located on the NC-SIS site.

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## CTE State Course Titles

Due to evolving industry jargon, a few Career and Technical Education (CTE) state course titles will be updated via a PowerSchool script at the start of this school year (2017-18 SY). To view the impacted courses and codes, please go to the [New CTE Course Code Titles](#) document located on the NC SIS site's Courses and Course Code page.



## DIT Maintenance

The NC Department of Information Technology (DIT) will be performing their monthly Linux services patching, including the UID Systems servers, this Sunday, August 20, 2017, 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.

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## New Roles in PowerSchool

NCDPI has begun adding two new roles into PowerSchool. These roles will be used to identify the ELA (e-Learning Advisor School Level) and the ELC (e-Learning Coordinator District Level) at the school and district Level respectively. The process of adding these roles should be completed by 8/21/2017.



## Home Base Meet-Up (Thank You! and Survey)

The Home Base Team would like to thank everyone who attended the August 2017 Home Base Meet-Ups. Your participation was truly appreciated.

As you reflect on your experience, we welcome your feedback to help drive future meetings. Use this link to complete our feedback survey <http://bit.ly/17-18HBMUfeedback>.

If you missed the meetings or want to review what was discussed, all presentations and resources are available online at [HBMU Materials](#). In the folders, we have also included a NEW Synopsis of all meet-ups by the application. This contains the answers to many of the questions posed at the meet-ups. Please save or bookmark this folder for future reference, as we will continue to add information after each set of meetings.

As a reminder, future Home Base Meet-Up dates are listed below. Some locations have not been determined, but will be provided soon! Registration will be available two weeks before each event to give everyone the opportunity to: 1) provide input on the topics to be discussed at the next Meet-Up, and 2) present on best practices or lessons learned in your LEA/Charter when using a Home Base product.

We hope you continue to take advantage of these opportunities to partner with us. Here are the dates and locations for the remaining sessions:

## Meet-Up Schedule



	Northeast & North Central	Southeast & Sandhills	Piedmont-Triad & Northwest	Southwest & Western
<b>August</b>	<b>7/31/2017</b> Johnston County A.G. Glenn Bldg 501 S 2nd St Smithfield, NC	<b>8/1/2017</b> Cumberland County ERC 296 Elementary Dr Fayetteville, NC	<b>8/2/17</b> Wilkes County Schools 613 Cherry Street North Wilkesboro, NC	<b>8/3/17</b> Buncombe County Schools 175 Bingham Rd Asheville
<b>October</b>	<b>10/16/2017</b> Bertie County Schools Administrative Bldg 715 US-13 Windsor NC Use Bertie Stem HS for GPS	<b>10/17/2017</b> <b>TBD</b>	<b>10/18/2017</b> Alamance Burlington School System (Address is Coming)	<b>10/19/2017</b> Gaston County Schools Rader Center 236 8th Ave Cramerton
<b>December</b>	<b>12/4/2017</b> Johnston County A.G. Glenn Bldg 501 S 2nd St Smithfield, NC	<b>12/5/2017</b> <b>TBD</b>	<b>12/6/2017</b> <b>TBD</b>	<b>12/7/2017</b> Buncombe County Schools 175 Bingham Rd Asheville
<b>April</b>	<b>4/9/17</b> Bertie County Schools Administrative Bldg 715 US-13 Windsor NC Use Bertie Stem HS for GPS	<b>4/10/17</b> <b>TBD</b>	<b>4/11/17</b> <b>TBD</b>	<b>4/12/17</b> CMS Professional Development Center 1901 Herbert Spaugh Lane Charlotte



### Back to School Tips

As you prepare to return back to school, remember to review the quick reference document, [Common PowerSchool Start of Year Issues](#). In it you will find reference materials and tips that are useful in answering common start up questions.

### What's New on the Web!

#### New Training Webinar Recordings

[PowerSchool Beginning of Year - First 10 Days - 08/15/2017](#)

[PTP Traditional Grade Calculation Configuration - 08/16/2017](#)

[Walk-in Scheduling Audit Reports - 08/15/2017](#)





## Other Home Base Product Updates

### Schoolnet

In order to refresh CTE items, Pearson will complete a process that may impact Schoolnet performance as items are re-indexed. This process will begin Saturday morning at 9 a.m. and should be completed at approximately 1 p.m., pending no issues. We recommend users to NOT create tests in Schoolnet during this time.

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## NCDPI's Technology Support Center's Knowledge Base

LEA/Charter School coordinators, data managers and staff that use or support the Home Base suite of tools can access the Technology Support Center's Knowledge Base. Inside is an extensive library of resources available to users 24/7.

Our knowledge base includes:

- Knowledge Base Articles, 'How To' Guides
- FAQ's, Quick Reference Documents
- Tips, Hints and More!
- Links to other support resources - e.g., NC-SIS webpage and PowerSource

New users can request access at: <http://servicedesk.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/home>

Knowledge Base Quick Reference Doc at: <http://bit.ly/HomeBaseKB>

**Check back often - New resources added regularly!**



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## 2017 NC SIS Summer Training Calendar

The Home Base Professional Learning Team is pleased to announce additional PowerSchool summer trainings for the 2017-18 school year. The audience for each session is based on user roles.



The PowerSchool sessions listed below are also posted on the NC SIS website's [Training Calendar](#). Please review these pages frequently for PowerSchool training schedule changes or additional trainings for September 2017 - June 2018.

Hands-on training sessions will be held at the NC Department of Public Instruction, 301 N. Wilmington Street, Room 564, Raleigh, NC, unless stated otherwise. Click [HERE](#) for directions to NCDPI and parking information. All attendees must be an employee of the NC Public School System to participate. Management companies are not permitted to attend.

Registration links are provided below. Please try to register early for workshops due to space limitations.

Note: All registration information is subject to the North Carolina Public Records Law.

## Upcoming Webinars

### PowerSchool - A Year in PowerSchool

This 3 hour session goes through a typical North Carolina year in PowerSchool. It will not give granular step by step details for every function throughout the year, but it will touch on what is due and when.

#### **Dates, Times and Registration Links:**

Thursday, September 7

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1893814605390621954>

Thursday, September 7

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2991628587213345026>

### PowerSchool - Managing Daily Attendance

Learn how to view, record and modify Daily Attendance data for students at your school. Focus on finding teachers who haven't taken attendance, running absentee reports and reviewing how to update attendance in a variety of ways. Will include searching for students with chronic attendance problems.

#### **Date, Time and Registration Link:**

Wednesday, August 23

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3756705060526640643>

### PowerSchool - Managing Meeting Attendance

Learn how to view, record and modify Meeting Attendance data for students at your school. Focus on finding teachers who haven't taken attendance, running absentee reports and reviewing how to update attendance in a variety of ways. Will include searching for students with chronic attendance problems.

#### **Date, Time and Registration Link:**

Thursday, August 24

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Registration:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1058649761011051011>

### PowerSchool/NC Reports Overview

Learn about PowerSchool/NC reports you will use throughout the year. Practice setting up and creating various system reports using some basic PowerSchool codes and HTML codes. Featured reports include but are not limited to System Reports, State Reporting Dashboard reports, and NCDPI reports.

**Date, Time and Registration Link:**

Tuesday, August 22

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2448628171588848386>

**PowerSchool - SAR Reporting**

This webinar will discuss SAR policy, fatal errors and exceptions, and PowerSchool functionality as needed. It will be recorded and posted to the [www.nc-sis.org](http://www.nc-sis.org) recorded refreshers. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Dates, Times and Registration Links:**

Thursday, September 14

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4728903138517036035>

Thursday, September 14

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4887768275080351489>

Thursday, October 5

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1995381991933874435>

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Remember to visit the [NC SIS website](http://www.nc-sis.org) for additional information including webinars and training documentation.

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