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## NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

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## 2019 Registration is Open!

[www.ncpublicschools.org/cces/](http://www.ncpublicschools.org/cces/)

Early Bird Registration for the 2019 Connecting Communities of Education Stakeholders (CCES) is now open. Rates will increase on February 15, 2019.

All teachers, student services personnel, principals, superintendents, parents, school administrators, community and business representatives are invited. The new registration options provide additional flexibility for schools and districts. Visit the [Participant Registration webpage](#) for more information.

Those who register **before February 15th will receive a discount.**

**Registration Link:**

[bit.ly/registercces19](http://bit.ly/registercces19)



## Register Now for the Winter Home Base Meet-Ups!

The winter round of Home Base Meet-Ups is scheduled for Monday, January 28 through Thursday, January 31. These collaborative sessions are great opportunities for networking and sharing ideas.

After our last HB Meet-Up, we requested feedback on an alternative delivery format for the January 2019 Home Base Meet-Ups. The results favored face-to-face as the preferred method of delivery; therefore, this next meeting is planned as such. Please keep in mind that inclement weather may be an impeding factor with travel.

Also, based on feedback from the field, Schoolnet and Canvas will be meeting for a full day. The afternoon will be reserved for a collaborative session with Schoolnet and Canvas. For complete registration details, please link to the [http://bit.ly/HBMU\\_Winter2019](http://bit.ly/HBMU_Winter2019).

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# PowerSchool

## Important Updates

### Daily Bulletin Feature Updates

On January 1, 2019, a new plugin was installed on all PowerSchool instances to improve the Daily Bulletin functionality. **The plugin, "NCDPI Daily Bulletin Popup", should not be removed or disabled.** Users will now see the Daily Bulletin automatically pop up upon logging in, even if there are no messages for that day. This new plugin also gives DPI the ability to push down statewide messages from the Enterprise Controller. Messages can be pushed down to all users, administrators only, teachers only, or students and parents only. NCDPI plans to utilize this feature to share messages from the State Superintendent, known issues from Home Base Support, and other items of importance. The bulletins will synchronize

from the State Enterprise Controller to the districts six times per day- 6 AM, 12 PM, 4 PM, 8 PM, 10 PM, and 12 AM. Please note that new messages will not be seen until the user logs out and back in.

### **EDDIE Feed Temporarily Disabled**

Home Base Support has received several reports of users not being able to add new courses. This issue was reported to PowerSchool, and we have learned that there is a problem with the EDDIE sync. This is also affecting the synchronization of Superintendent name changes as well as other data. NCDPI has temporarily disabled the EDDIE feed in PowerSchool while we continue working towards a resolution. In the meantime, users should now be able to create new courses as needed. Users will be notified once the EDDIE feed has been re-enabled.

### **Incident Management Now Working Properly**

On December 20, 2018, NCDPI discovered an issue with the Incident Management page and asked all users to hold off on entering new incident records. As of today, we have confirmed that this has been resolved. Users may resume entering incidents as usual, but are asked to submit a ticket to Remedy if you observe any problems with the Incident Management functionality.

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## **Reminder: Calendar Changes Due to Inclement Weather**



Many of our NC public schools were compelled to close due to this week's inclement weather. As a courtesy reminder to our LEA and charter partners that may need to make up school days, please review and forward to the appropriate staff the document, [Calendar Change Process.pdf](#). It includes instructions on how to adjust your school calendar during the school year to account for missed school days. This process involves updates made by the LEA and NCDPI. **Therefore, once your updates are complete, submit a ticket to the [NCDPI Technology Support Center](#) to notify us that you are ready for NCDPI to complete their part of the calendar update process.**



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## **ECATS Newsletter - Dec. 2018 Edition!**

Keep up with all [ECATS](#) happening!

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## PowerSchool Training

### Preparing for the Civil Rights Data Collection

These two-hour sessions will provide a PowerSchool demonstration specific to the CRDC, tips for successful validation and an opportunity to discuss the NC DPI schedule for data upload to the Federal Submission Portal.

**Date and Time:**

Wednesday, January 9, 2019  
1-3 p.m.

Wednesday, February 6, 2019  
1-3 p.m.



**Registration Link:** <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/231088052197676803>

### CRDC Workshop

CRDC Workshops are not webinars. Labs are designed for district level staff working on the Office of Civil Rights Data Collection to get assistance with PowerSchool set-up in real-time. Two staff members from an LEA and Charters may attend. The NC DPI training room will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Staff are welcome to attend as their schedule allows.

**Date and Time:**

Friday, January 18, 2019 (9 a.m. – 4 p.m.)  
Friday, February 8, 2019 (9 a.m.-4 p.m.)

**Location:**

North Carolina Department of Public Instruction,  
301 N Wilmington St, Raleigh, NC 27601, USA

Please contact Terra Dominguez at [terra.dominguez@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:terra.dominguez@dpi.nc.gov) or 919.807.3272 with any questions.

## TNL/NCEES Training Webinars!

**Please click here to review the full list:**

[http://bit.ly/18-19NCEES Webinar Series](http://bit.ly/18-19NCEES_Webinar_Series)

All webinars in this series are held on Tuesdays, from 4-5 PM. All webinars will be recorded and posted to the Webinar Series spreadsheet.

### **NCEES End of Year Process 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 Evaluation plan

Summary Evaluation Conference, how to complete the signatures acknowledging the summary evaluation and how to provide a written response and artifacts.

**Date and Time:**

Tuesday, April 2, 2019  
4-5 p.m.

**NCEES End of Year Process for Principals**

**Description:** Topics to be outlined include reviewing the Teacher Evaluation Summary & PDP EOY Review Process and responsibilities, managing completion reports for staff, and reviewing the end of Year for the Principal Evaluation Plan. Participants will be encouraged to share best practices and lessons learned over the 2018-19 school year and changes they are planning for the upcoming 2019-20 school year.

**Date and Time:**

Tuesday, April 9, 2019  
4-5 p.m.

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

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