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Opt into the Full Suite of Home Base for the 2019-20 School Year

Has your district or school opted into Home Base? Find out by visiting the [2019 Home Base Opt-in Status](#) list that is updated weekly.

All product pricings will remain the same as in previous years but with more features:

- NCEES Unified Talent's new features will include
 - Updated dashboards to track CEUs through local PD course modules and varied PD opportunities;
 - Free access to NCDPI self-paced Canvas and Moodle modules aligned to staff standards and elements; and
 - Effective educator evaluation instruments based on NC teacher standards and NC standards for administrators.

- Schoolnet's new features include
 - Streamlined assessment creation and scheduling dashboard, including easy access to share assessments and locally created question banks.

The full suite of Home Base now includes more tools than ever before to aid districts and schools in conducting normal school business. Some are priced at a state negotiated price while others are FREE. Highlights of these additional tools are listed below:

- Learning.com (available with state negotiated convenience pricing) features
 - EasyTech - a complete online digital literacy curriculum that provides an engaging way to teach essential digital literacy skills through interactive lessons, application exercises, discussions, and quizzes;
 - Inquiry - a supplemental curriculum that takes a project-based approach to integrating digital literacy into instruction with ready-to-go, technology-infused projects for all core subjects;
 - Digital Literacy Assessment - assessments that provide real-time data to quickly determine students' grasp of digital literacy concepts;
 - Training - workshops and a vast array of on-demand resources such as webinars, downloadable recordings, and online content designed to address schools' and districts' unique instructional goals;
 - More information about this opportunity may be found at: <https://homebase.ncpublicschools.gov/applications/learningcom>.

- Imagine Math (available with state negotiated convenience pricing) features
 - Rigorous, standards-aligned digital supplemental math program that personalizes learning for each student;
 - Availability of certified, bilingual math teachers for fostering optimal learning conditions while ensuring that students get the help they need, including evenings and weekends;
 - Assessments aligned to the Quantile Framework provide educators with a reliable measure of student readiness to learn specific concepts;
 - Reporting functionality allows educators to make data-driven insights to drive instruction;
 - Pricing: \$8,450 per site license with Premier Plus Support or \$32.50 per user (whichever is most cost effective)

- #GoOpenNC – Open Educational Resources and Collaborative Space (included at no additional cost) features
 - A collaborative space for K-12 educators across the state to find standards-aligned educational resources and share open education resources.
 - Open author tool supports educators in creating openly licensed educational resources (lesson plans, curricular units, activities, textbooks, and full courses) that meet

accessibility guidelines and are aligned to North Carolina Standard Course of Study standards.

- Custom groups allow for educators to organize and collaborate on resources for specific education topics by grade level, subject area, or location (School or LEA specific groups).
- Content hubs allow educators to easily find collections of resources specific to their needs, including Global Education and STEM.

Remember to checkout the [Home Base video](#) located on the [Home Base website](#). For complete details, link to the [Home Base Opt-in Tool and Pricing](#) letter also located on the website. Got question? Visit our updated [2019-20 Home Base Opt-in FAQs](#). You may also contact Yolanda Wilson, Home Base Opt-in Administrator, at (919) 807-3485 or yolanda.wilson@dpi.nc.gov.

Learning.com Final Week to Secure Tier 1 Funding for Learning.com

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>.

End of Year Preparation Update

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.



Note: The EOY button in PowerSchool has been disabled. Districts and charters will not be able to run EOY until the start of EOY processing.

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.



ECATS Newsletter - April 2019 Edition

Stay informed of the latest happening in ECATS! Click below to access the April 2019 edition.

- [ECATS Newsletter April 2019.pdf](#)



CTE CCP Generic Course Code Implementation Discussion

Please join the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and partners to gain an overview of the Career and College Promise (CCP) generic codes and discuss potential solutions that work when implementing the Career and Technical Education CCP generic course codes. This session will include a technical overview of course codes and guidance for the generic CCP courses, as well as highlight two LEAs that collaborated around this work. Local **PowerSchool Data Managers** and local **Career and Technical**

Education Directors are encouraged to join the conversation. Date, time and registration link are listed below. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information on how to join the webinar.



Title: CTE CCP Generic Course Code Implementation Discussion

Date: Thursday, May 9, 2019

Time: 2:00 - 3:00 PM EDT

Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2266080669205973260>



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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