NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

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Next Home Base Maintenance Weekend - Sept. 14-17

The next Home Base maintenance weekend is planned for September 14-17, 2018. PowerSchool is the only Home Base tool scheduled for maintenance at this time.

PowerSchool maintenance will entail modifying the AIG collection to resolve an issue with the AIG report not showing students enrolled prior to or on April 15 in the Spring AIG Headcount. Once applied, students who are enrolled prior to or on April 15 will be counted in the Spring AIG Headcount.

Home Base will be taken offline Friday, September 14 at 5 p.m. and returned to service no later than Monday, September 17 at 6 a.m. Once maintenance is completed, a message will be sent to notify users that the application is up and available for use. If there is a delay in bringing up the system, users will be notified.
Stay apprised of all Home Base planned maintenance periods by visiting our 2018-19 Home Base Maintenance Schedule.

New Information on the Web

- PowerSchool Roles for mClass - 09/04/2018
- PTP Ditch the Pencil - 08/30/2018
- PTP Tips & Tricks - 09/04/2018

A Message from the NCDPI Technology Support Center

The NCDPI Technology Support Center encourages customers experiencing critical issues, such as outages, to contact us immediately by phone at (919) 807-4357. For all general service requests, we encourage the use of the Remedy self-service web portal at https://nc-myit.us.onbmc.com. Although general service requests may also be reported by phone, our telephone agents will be creating tickets for those requests and assigning them so that they are addressed in the order they are received.

Thank you for your patience as we work to resolve your tickets as quickly as possible.

Upcoming PowerTeacher Pro Gradebook Webinars

The NCDPI DTL Staff is excited to announce a series of PowerTeacher Pro Gradebook webinars. These webinars will be led by Digital Learning Competency Ambassadors and funded by the NC Digital Learning Initiative. Participants will earn .1 CEU for each webinar attended.

Four topics will be offered:

**PowerTeacher Pro: Ditch the Pencil**
This webinar is designed for beginner level only, allowing participants to familiarize themselves with the many components of PowerTeacher Pro and the navigation of the PowerTeacher Pro platform. Participants will learn how to log-in, setup classes, set display and grading preferences, create categories, set term weighting, create assignments, and track grades and student progress.

**Date:** 9/11

**Webinar Registration Link:** https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8270489473682380290
**Tips & Tricks for Efficient PTP Use**
In this webinar, the following topics will be addressed:
- Creating reports (demographics, grades from other classes, etc.)
- Creating student groups within a class
- Using Fill for grades, comments, etc.
- Accessing dropped students
- Entering past grades for new students in past grading periods
- Transferring grades from Schoolnet (How to)
- Setting defaults for assignments
- Extra Credit (Percent & Points)
- Manually overriding grades

**Dates:** 9/13

**Webinar Registration Link:** [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8275774826077561602](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8275774826077561602)

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**Report for Duty: Understanding PTP Reports**
In this webinar, teachers will become familiar with the reports’ tab of PTP, the different types of reports offered by PTP and the various uses for these reports will be explored. Additionally, teachers will be presented with scenarios in which they must decide which report would be best for that situation.

**Dates/Times:** 9/18, 9/27

**Webinar Registration Link:** [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4455296275486672898](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4455296275486672898)

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**Using PowerTeacher Pro to Impact the Bigger Picture**
In this webinar, the following topics will be addressed:
- Creating reports (demographics, grades from other classes, etc.)
- Importance of Attendance
- Impact of changing grades from prior grading quarters (how-to and when not to)
- Referencing dropped students and how to view past grades
- % Grading -vs- Point Grading

**Dates/Times:** 9/20 & 9/25

**Webinar Registration Link:** [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7363555108488791042](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7363555108488791042)

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**All webinars in this series will be offered from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.** These hours were chosen to accommodate those who are unable to attend training during regular school business hours. Content provided in this series is a repeat of the face-to-face Home Base Applications events from July 2018.

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Remember to visit the [NC SIS website](https://ncsis.dpi.nc.gov) for additional information including webinars and training documentation. Follow us on twitter [@NCHomeBase](https://twitter.com/NCHomeBase).

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