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## NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

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## Calendar Changes

Many of our NC public schools are closed due to Hurricane Florence. As a courtesy, NCDPI is reminding our LEA and charter partners who will need to make up school days to 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 [Home Base Support Center](#) to notify us that you are ready for NCDPI to complete their part of the calendar update process.**



To further assist our districts and charters that are trying to contact schools that may be temporarily closed, NCDPI is providing a [status list](#) of those schools we have confirmed are currently closed. There may be others not listed that have yet to be confirmed.

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Just a reminder that North Carolina's annual campaign to support college access is now named **NC Countdown to College** (or "C2C") and will be held during the month of **October**. Activities during the month support high school seniors in completing three important college enrollment steps: **Residency, FAFSA, and College Applications**.

**College Application Week will take place October 15–19.** During this week, volunteers at hundreds of NC high schools help students submit online applications for admission while many colleges provide application fee waiver opportunities. Visit the [NC Countdown to College site](#) for more details and school registration information.

There are several resources on the C2C website, but we'd like to focus your attention on a few of them that you may want to consider bookmarking:

- 1) [Countdown to College Event Overview](https://nccountdowntocollege.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/nc-countdown-to-college-overview-slides.pdf)  
(<https://nccountdowntocollege.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/nc-countdown-to-college-overview-slides.pdf>)
- 2) [Technical Guidelines](#) and [Test Instructions](#) to assist you in system preparations for C2C  
(<https://nccountdowntocollege.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/technology-guidelines-for-nc-countdown-to-college-sites-2018.pdf>)  
and  
(<https://nccountdowntocollege.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/test-instructions-rds-requests-and-college-applications.pdf>)
- 3) New [Technical Support Email Portal](#) to report issues or ask questions:  
(<https://nccountdowntocollege.org/technicalassistance/>)

Thank you for all that you do to support your students in this initiative and every day.

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## Office of Civil Rights Coordinator Contacts in EDDIE



Please inform other staff as appropriate.

Note: LEAs, charters and schools that were not open in the school year 2017-18 are not required to participate in this collection. Data for the collection is from the School Year 2017-2018.

The Office of Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) will begin in the winter of the 2018-2019 school year. To date, the Federal Government has not published an official start date for the collection period, however, starting October 1, 2018, the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) will begin populating the CRDC Submission Tool with information about schools and contact information. The NC DPI will notify the State once an announcement has been made regarding the collection open date.

LEAs and charters have a final opportunity to verify or update the EDDIE System with two staff who have been identified as the 'Office of Civil Rights Coordinator'. These staff are the technical contacts for the CRDC and will be responsible for running the PowerSchool CRDC Preview Report, verifying data, correcting and adding data to the Federal CRDC Tool, and certifying in the Federal CRDC Tool when the collection is complete. Please delete records for OCR contacts no longer with your LEA/charter.

LEAs and charters are also encouraged to verify or update the Student Information Coordinator contact as well. Brief instructions for updating EDDIE contacts are located at [http://www.nc-sis.org/Documents/OCR/OCR\\_CRDC\\_1516\\_EDDIE\\_Contacts.pdf](http://www.nc-sis.org/Documents/OCR/OCR_CRDC_1516_EDDIE_Contacts.pdf).

We realize that some school personnel are unable to perform these updates at this time due to Hurricane Florence's aftermath. Please know that we will work with you as needed.

The NC DPI will send Superintendent and Office of Civil Rights Coordinator Contacts to the OCR the week of October 1, 2018.

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



### The Home Base Support Center is Hiring!

The Home Base Support Center is currently recruiting for a Support Center Analyst II. Based in Raleigh, this position provides IT support and services for Home Base systems such as PowerSchool.

Details of this position are available online until October 4 and can be found here:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/northcarolina/jobs/2217173/technology-support-center-analyst-ii?keywords=technology&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

Please share this widely.



## 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.**

Remaining topics offered:

### **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:** 9/27

**Webinar Registration Link:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4455296275486672898>

### **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:** 9/25, 10/02

**Webinar Registration Link:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7363555108488791042>

**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](#) for additional information including webinars and training documentation. Follow us on twitter [@NCHomeBase](#).

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