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Common Follow-up Report Due Date

The Common Follow-Up report is due Sunday, September 30 and there are still several schools and LEAs who have not yet approved their reports. With today being the last working day before the due date, it is imperative that you make all efforts to get this report submitted before the close of business.

Thank you!

A Solution for Missing Records in mClass

Some districts and charters have reported a problem with staff members not showing up in mClass. Amplify, the mClass vendor, has confirmed that the email address in mClass is a required field. Consequentially, if a record in the PowerSchool extract loaded into mClass is missing an email address, mClass will reject the record.

Solution: NCDPI pulls the staff data extract nightly. Please ensure the email address is present for each staff. Once the overnight process runs, the staff should appear in the mClass system. If you continue to have problems, please contact our NCDPI Technology Support Center by submitting a Remedy ticket.

For assistance on how to change teachers' and curriculum facilitators' roles in PowerSchool for mClass, link to the QRD, "PowerSchool Roles for mClass."

Reopening of SET Report

The Start-Time and End-Time (SET) Report has been reopened to give LEAs and charters the opportunity to make any necessary corrections or modifications. At this time, 56 LEAs have not processed their SET time.

Corrections must be in and reports submitted by Friday, October 5. LEAs and charters may refer to the QRD, School Start-Times and End-Times, for assistance.

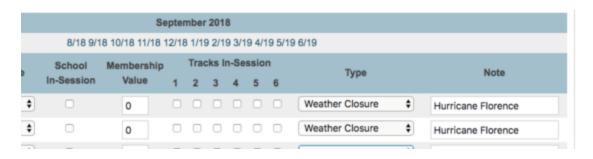## Updating School Calendar with Calendar Note

To ensure your state compliance reports are as accurate as possible, please remember to update your school calendars. NCDPI is being requested to report closures, delays and early dismissals as a result of Hurricane Florence for all schools. In order to provide accurate information, NCDPI is requesting that a specific calendar note be added to all schools that experienced any closures, delays and/or early dismissals in preparation of and/or as a result of the storm. In addition to the steps provided in the Calendar Change Process QRD, we are asking that you type **"Hurricane Florence"** in the note section of each school's calendar setup for the days that were not in session due to the hurricane.

It is important that you adjust your calendar information in a timely manner once schools have reopened. This data will be collected on Tuesday, October 2, so please be sure to make your modifications prior to that date.

We realize that some schools may not be able to perform these updates at this time. Please update as soon as the information becomes available to you.

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8/18 9/18 10/18 11/18 12/18 1/19 2/19 3/19 4/19 5/19 6/19										

	School In-Session	Membership Value	Tracks In-Session						Type	Note
			1	2	3	4	5	6		
⬍	☐	0	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	Weather Closure ⬍	Hurricane Florence
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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.

ITES Review

ARE YOU READY TO HELP SHAPE NC STUDENTS' DIGITAL LEARNING STANDARDS?

As part of the NC Standards Review, Revision and Implementation process, the Department of Public Instruction is seeking your input on the current student information and technology standards (known as ITES, Information Technology Essential Standards). These standards were developed in 2009 and piloted in 2010-2011.

It is time to review our standards to ensure they meet the needs of all students in today's digital age. Because we value your expertise and unique perspectives on digital teaching and learning in our state, please click on the following link and complete the survey: ncvps.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3EO3ABH2pjftRV.

The ITES Steering Committee looks forward to reviewing this data to determine what revisions are necessary., and we thank you in advance for assisting in our evaluation of the current standards. For questions, please contact Deborah Goodman at Deborah.goodman@dpi.nc.gov.

PowerSchool Coordinators' Monthly Update

Coordinators, please join in on the PowerSchool Coordinators' Monthly update scheduled for Oct. 11, 2018, at 3 p.m.

Registration: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7777412384853319427

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information on how to join the webinar.

Upcoming PowerTeacher Pro Gradebook Webinars

The NCDPI DTL Staff has provided a series of PowerTeacher Pro Gradebook webinars. These webinars have been led by Digital Learning Competency Ambassadors and funded by the NC Digital Learning Initiative. **Participants earn .1 CEU for each webinar attended.**

Remaining topics offered:

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: 10/02
Webinar Registration Link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7363555108488791042

All webinars in this series are 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.

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

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