SBS Salary Management Support

Presented by the Office of School Business





Salary Management & Compliance

- Policy Requirements
- Data Quality
- Position Management/Compliance
- Salary Placement Compliance
- Reports and DPI's Support
- Reports and LEA's Role and Vendor Support

Policies to know

- SBE Policy ALOT-002 related to LEAs cannot overdrafts allotments, including position allotments.
- Various Statutes surrounding salaries:
 - 115C-12 (9) (a): powers of SBE..."to certify and regulate the grade and salary of teachers and other school employees."
 - 114C-316 (a) (6): "each local board of education shall sustain any loss by reason of an overpayment to any school official or other employee paid from State funds."
- Budget statutes are equally vague but require local boards of education to pay staff in accordance with the salary schedules.

Data Quality from LEAs and Complexity of LEA Payroll

LEA Payroll Complexities/Variations

Calendar Variations Employment
Contract
Variations
(start/end dates)

Types of Employee Position Variations

Movement of Employees during the year

Absence Code Variations

Best Data from LEAs

- DAYS EMPLOYED by Person
 - "employed" = they are eligible for state benefits so that counts against the budget
- PERCENT (%) EMPLOYED by Person
 - Allows for assessment against various budget/account codes
- ACCOUNT/BUDGET Code by Person

Key Data Sources

- Payroll Summary File (PRSF) Monthly from LEA Financial Systems
 - Account/Budget Code
 - YTD Days Employed (by account code)
 - Percent (%) Employed (by account code)
- Licensure System
 - Licensure Code (by person aligned with account code)
 - Years Experience (by person)
- Allotment System
 - Days Allotted by PRC

DPI Limitations

- Our systems cannot be programmed to capture all the variations in the LEAs payroll/positions.
- Our systems can no longer track changes by period or effect changes per period – this ended in 2023-2024 when BUD 202's went offline due to NCFS conversion at the state level.

Position Allotment Compliance



Positions by YTD Days Employed

- Best Data from the LEAs is YTD Days Employed
- DPI does not have the ability to program back from the Days into various months/positions due to all the complexities in the current LEA Payroll/Position options.
- As such, we are converting the budget (Allotments) into DAYs for the purpose of tracking the budget for the Guaranteed Position PRCs. That data is loaded from Allotments into LICSAL.
- YTD Days Employed will be updated each month with the new Payroll Summary File. All Data is replaced and updated in LICSAL.
- This will capture any movement of positions as this was the most consistent piece of data received from the LEA software systems.

Positions to DAYS Conversion Formulas

PRC	Personnel	Current Months	Days for 1 position	Legal authority
0001	Classroom Teacher	10	215	 G.S. 115C-84.2 School Calendar – States that the school calendar will consist of 215 days, including 185 instructional days, 10 annual vacation leave days, the legal holidays that fall within the school calendar as defined by OSHR, and teacher work days. G.S. 115C-302.1 Salary – "The daily rate of pay for teachers shall equal midway between one twenty-first and one twenty-second of the monthly rate of pay."
0004	Program Enhancement Teachers	10	215	G.S. 115C-84.2 School Calendar G.S. 115C-302.1 Salary (same as teachers above)
0005	Principals	12	260	G.S. 115C-285 Salary – Principals will have the same legal holidays as State employees (OSHR). State Human Resource Manual – "normal workday schedule is five days per week."
0005	Assistant Principals	Varies	1 month = 21.5 days	G.S. 115C-285 – "An assistant principal shall be paid, on a monthly basis, at least as much as he or she would earn as a teacher employed by that local school administrative unit."
0006	School Health Personnel	10	215	G.S. 115C-325 defines an instructional support personnel as a "teacher," so the same rules need to apply.
0007	Instructional Support	10	215	G.S. 115C-325 defines an instructional support personnel as a "teacher," so the same rules need to apply.
0013	CTE Months of Employment	Varies	1 month = 21.5 days	<u>G.S. 115C-302.1</u> specifically states that teacher days apply to career and technical education teachers.
0042	Child and Family Support Teams – Nurses	10	215	G.S. 115C-325 defines an instructional support personnel as a "teacher," so the same rules need to apply.



Allotment 101C Screen



Fiscal Year ↓F	PRC	PRC Description	LEA	LEA Name	Position	Month	Day	Amount
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	010	Alamance-Burlington	1,002.27		215,488.05	76,990,922.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	020	Alexander County	189.06		40,647.90	15,090,710.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	030	Alleghany County	58.86		12,654.90	4,744,565.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	040	Anson County	132.67		28,524.05	10,004,733.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	050	Ashe County	115.61		24,856.15	9,473,109.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	060	Avery County	77.83		16,733.45	6,314,953.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	070	Beaufort County	245.61		52,806.15	19,348,562.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	080	Bertie County	73.77		15,860.55	5,767,276.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	090	Bladen County	169.93		36,534.95	13,348,654.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	100	Brunswick County	604.66		130,001.90	47,291,479.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	110	Buncombe County	954.58		205,234.70	77,807,950.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	111	Asheville City	172.26		37,035.90	14,028,758.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	120	Burke County	493.59		106,121.85	38,812,600.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	130	Cabarrus County	1,570.01		337,552.15	124,617,440.00
2025-26	001	Classroom Teachers	132	Kannapolis City	230.45		49,546.75	17,443,586.00

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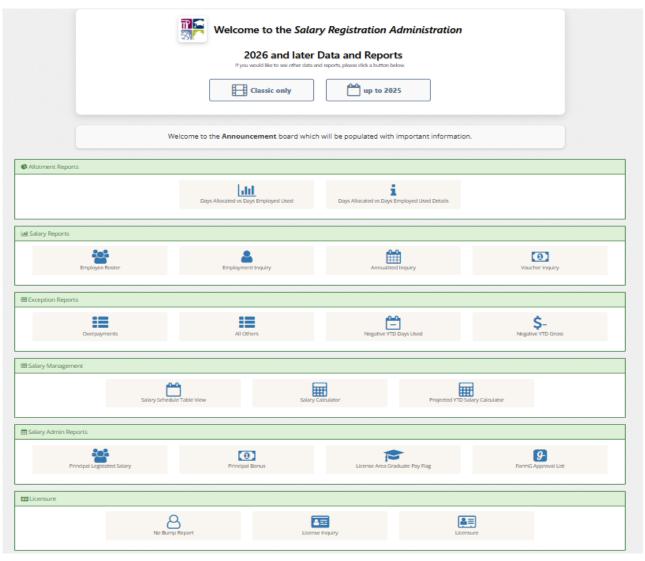


New & Added Screens in LICSAL

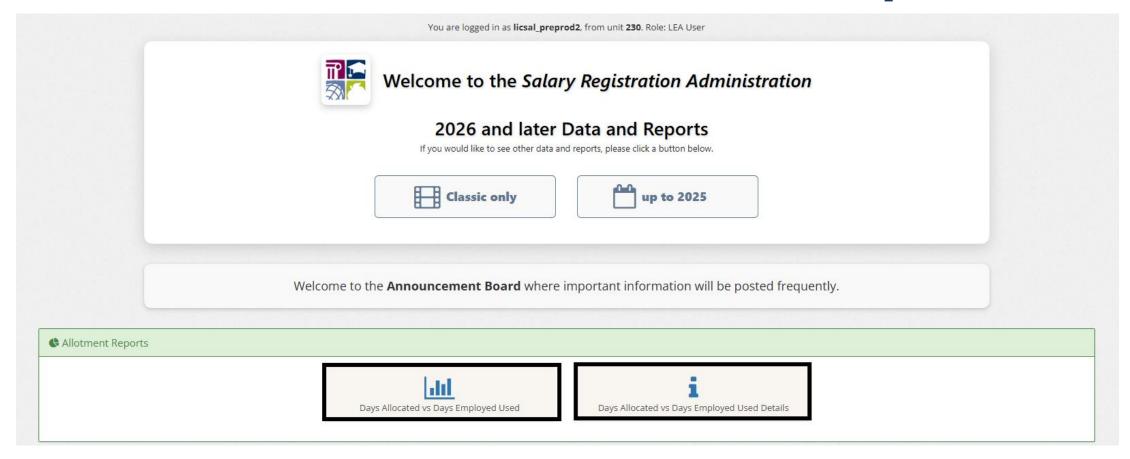
- Allotment Reports
 - Days Allocated vs Days Employed Used (New)
 - Days Allocated vs Days Employed Used Details (New)
- Salary Reports
 - Annualized Inquiry
 - YTD Gross % of Projected Annual Salary (Added)

- Salary Management Reports
 - Salary Schedule Table View (New)
- Licensure Reports updates
 - NBPTS Expiration (Added)
 - Experience Change (Added)

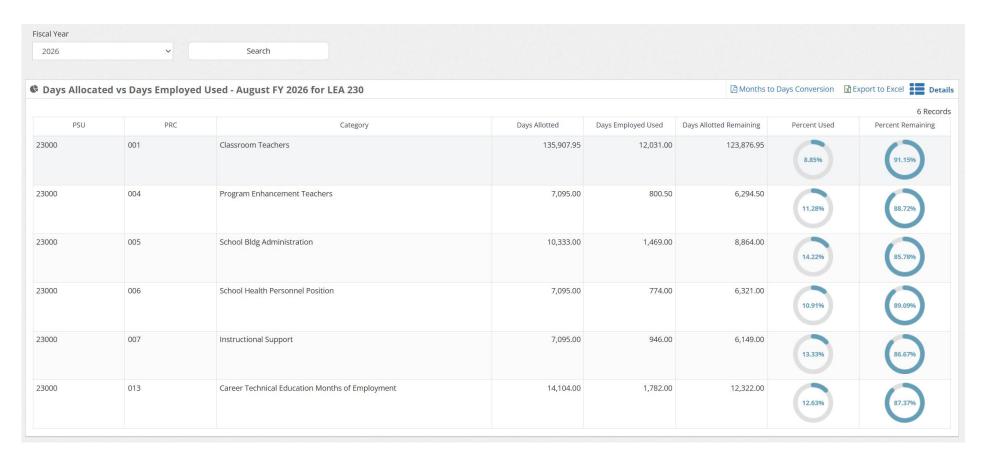
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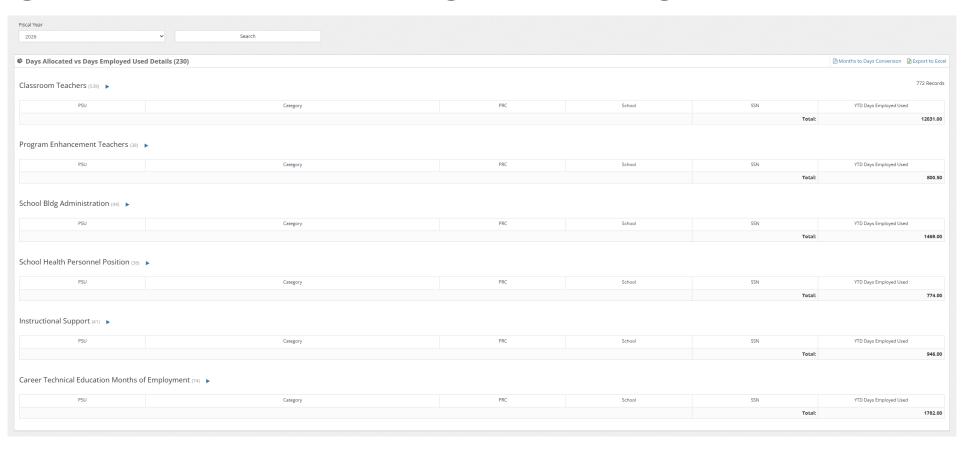
New LicSal Allotment Reports



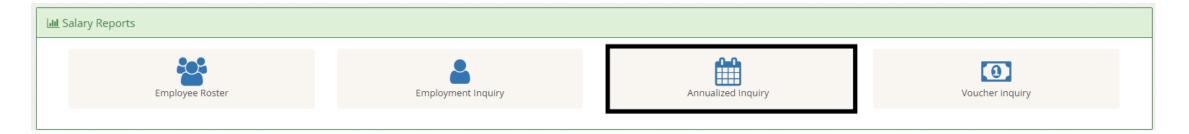
Days Allocated vs Days Employed Used



Days Allocated vs Days Employed Used Details



New LicSal Salary Report updates



New LicSal Salary Management updates



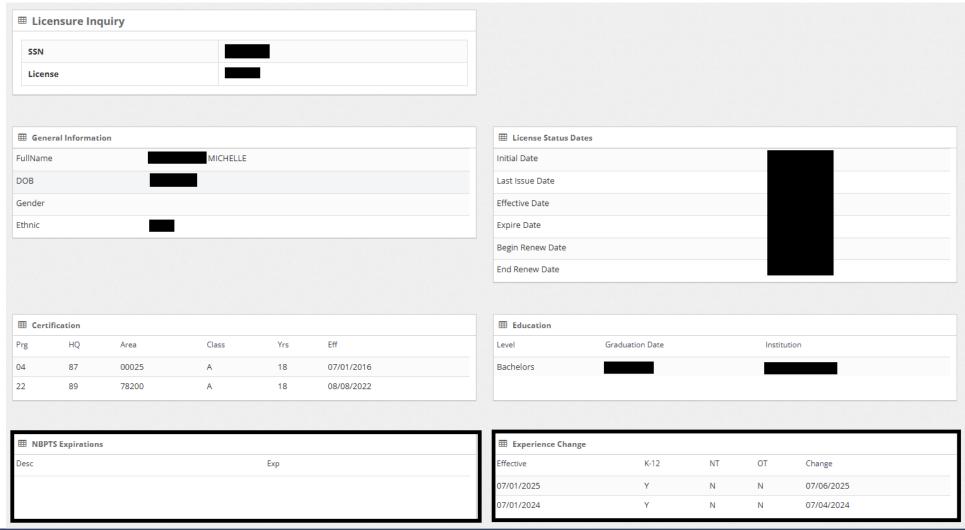
Salary Schedule Table View

■ Salary Schedule Table View	w			Fiscal Year: 2026 ▼
School Based Administrator Scheo	dule - Assistant Principal ▶ 171			
School Counselor ► 333				
Psychologist Schedule ► 171				
Teacher Schedule ► 444				
School Based Administrator Scheo	dule - Principal ▼ 18			
Pay Level	Certified Salary	Daily Rate Of Pay	Effective From	Effective To
В0	\$6,482.67	\$299.20	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
B1	\$6,806.75	\$314.16	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
B2	\$7,130.83	\$329.12	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
B3	\$7,455.08	\$344.08	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
B4	\$7,779.17	\$359.04	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
B5	\$8,103.25	\$374.00	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
EO	\$7,779.17	\$359.04	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
E1	\$8,168.08	\$376.99	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
E2	\$8,557.08	\$394.94	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
E3	\$8,946.08	\$412.90	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
E4	\$9,335.00	\$430.85	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
E5	\$9,723.92	\$448.80	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
G0	\$7,130.83	\$329.12	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
G1	\$7,487.42	\$345.57	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
G2	\$7,844.00	\$362.03	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
G3	\$8,200.50	\$378.48	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
G4	\$8,557.08	\$394,94	2025-07-01	2026-08-31
G5	\$8,913.58	\$411.40	2025-07-01	2026-08-31

New LicSal Licensure screen updates

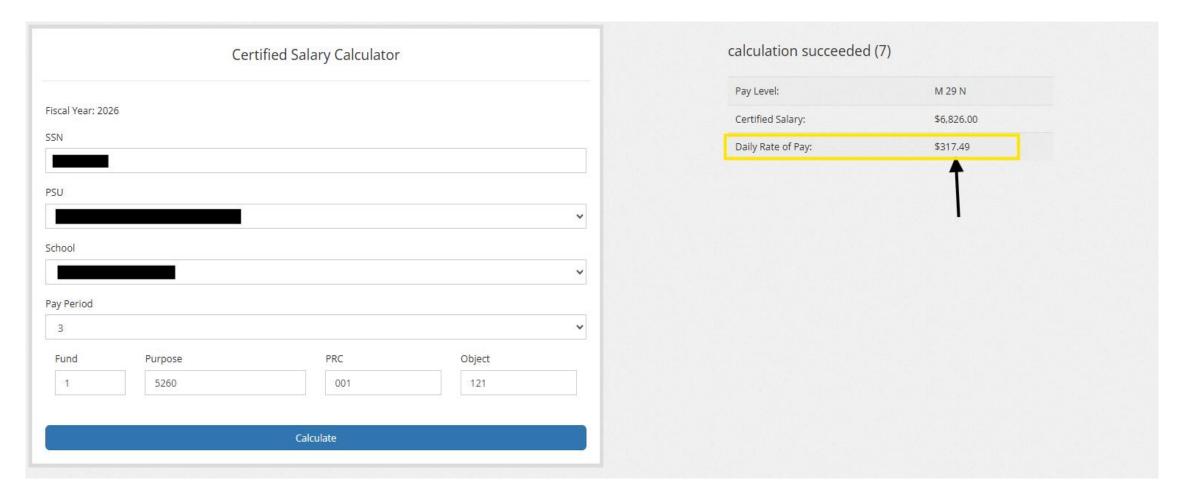


New LicSal Licensure Inquiry Updates



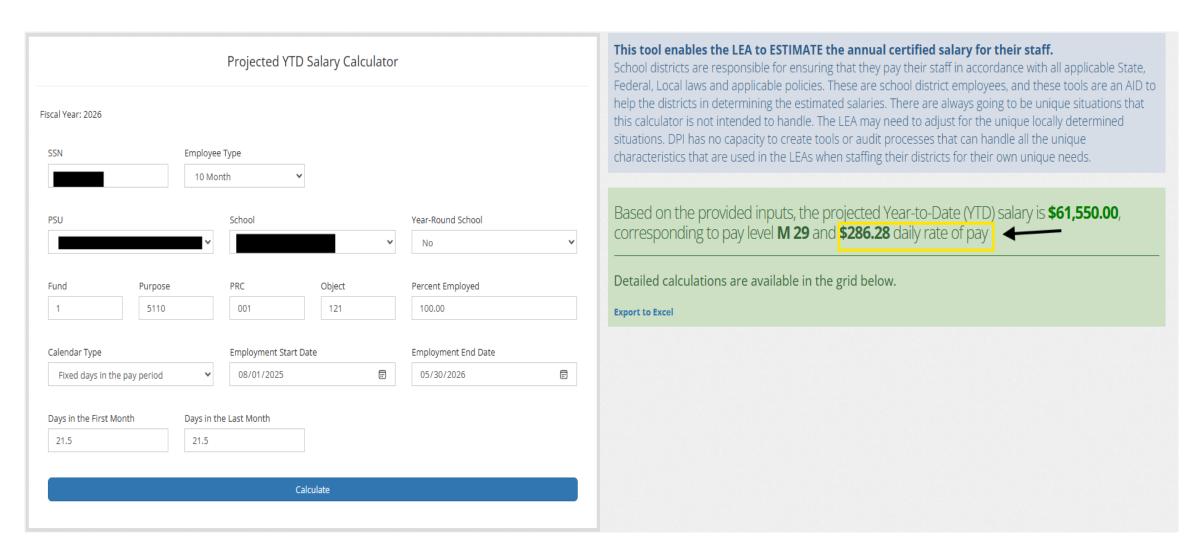


Salary Calculator Screen Update





Projected Salary Calculator Screen Update





Salary Schedule Compliance



Complexities with Salary Audit

- As stated earlier there are too many variances applied in the LEAs that prohibit DPI from validating, thru its systems, the accuracy of a person's total NET PAY or Total Pay.
- Policies require DPI to monitor if the LEA is placing the employee on the correct Step and Scale for their position.
- DPI has decreasing FTE available for this work so we have to automate and take away these complexities.
- DPI also wants to meet the LEA Data where it is most accurate.
- As such we will be providing the LEAs with Salary Management tools related to this placement and ensuring that State funds are not OVERPAID for this "base" salary placement.

Data Elements Required by Person

- Account/Budget Code (PRSF)
- Percent (%) Employed (PRSF)
- \$ Daily Rate of Pay (DPI published certified salary schedules)
- YTD Days Employed (PRSF)
- Licensure Code (DPI Licensure System)
- Years Experience (DPI Licensure System)

Licensure Check (by Person & Account Code)

- Licensure Check process is intact and DPI will continue to issue a warning and exception should the employee not be paid from a code that matches their allowable License.
 - DPI can only provide this monthly.
- Vendors should be helping LEAs in using the Attach A file available in BAAS to set-up a pre-check for this in their payroll systems.
 - This is OPTIONAL
 - However, the data is available should a vendor want to help their users by doing a pre-check of this.

YTD Salary Check (by Person & Account Code)

DPI Calculates using PRSF:

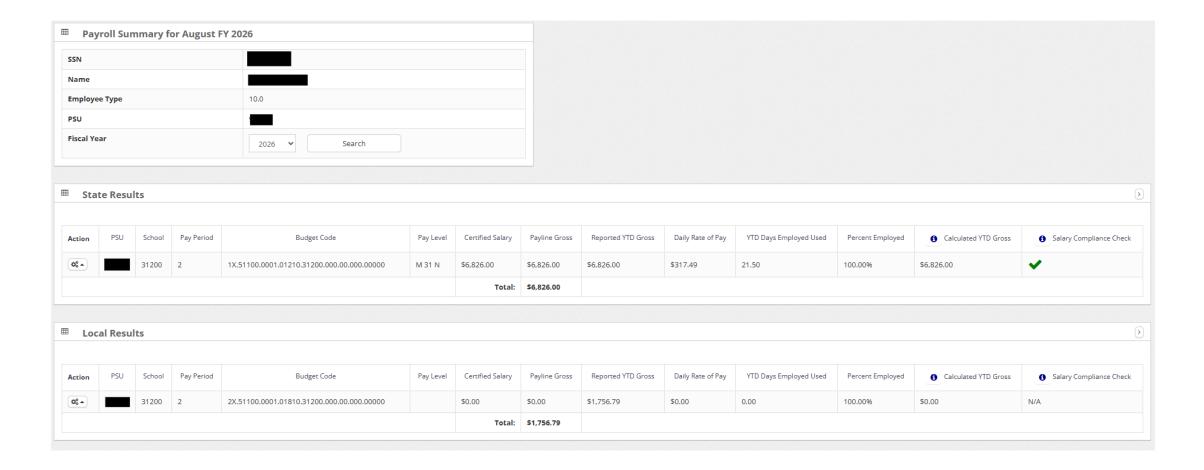
Percent (%) Employed x Daily Rate of Pay x YTD Days Employed = Calculated YTD Gross Pay

Compared to

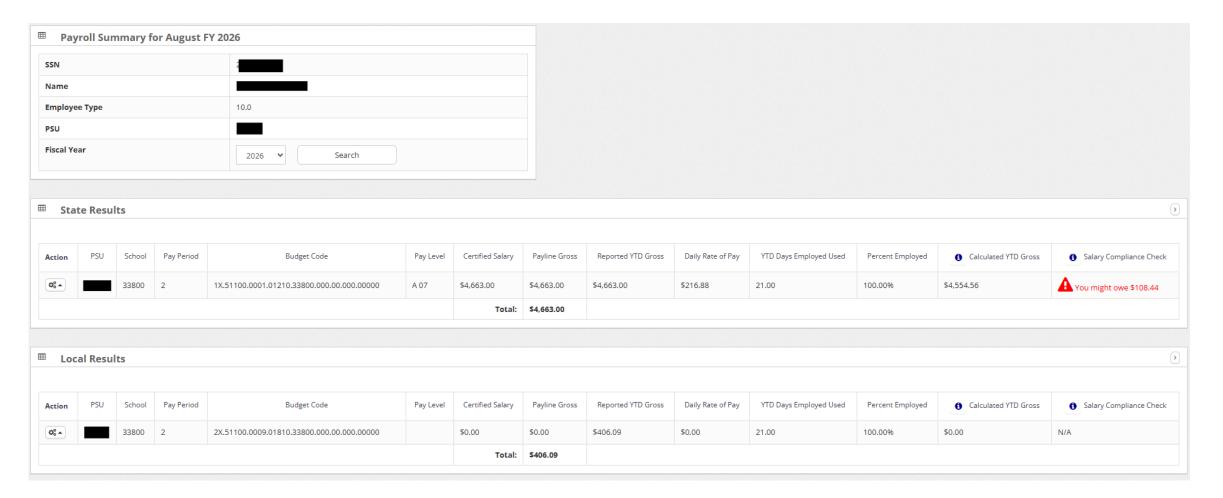
Actual YTD Gross Pay (from PRSF)

If Actual is Less than or Equal to Calculated the GOOD If greater than Calculated then BAD (exception).

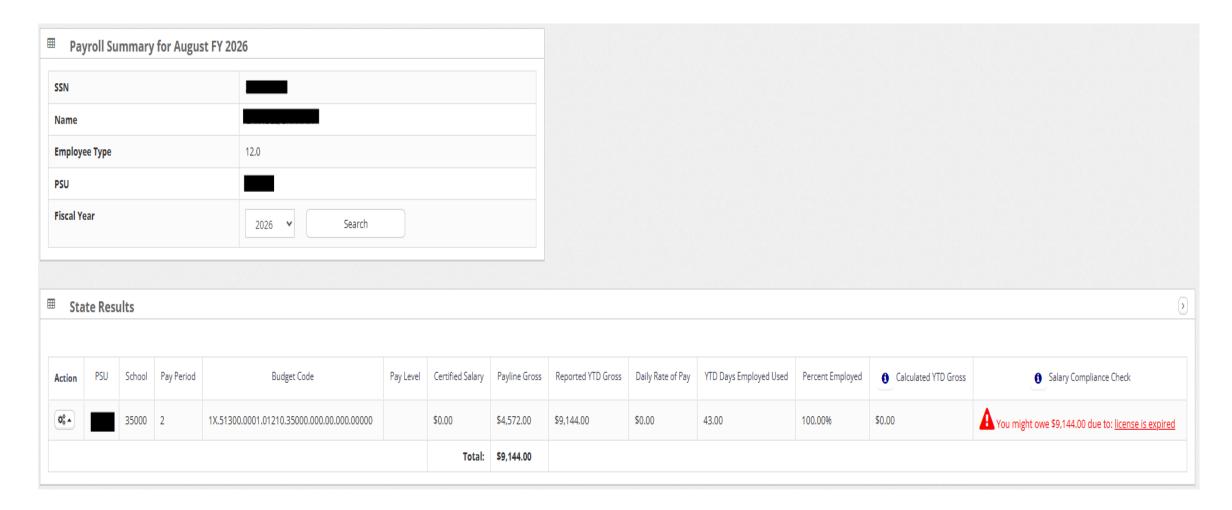
GOOD Example



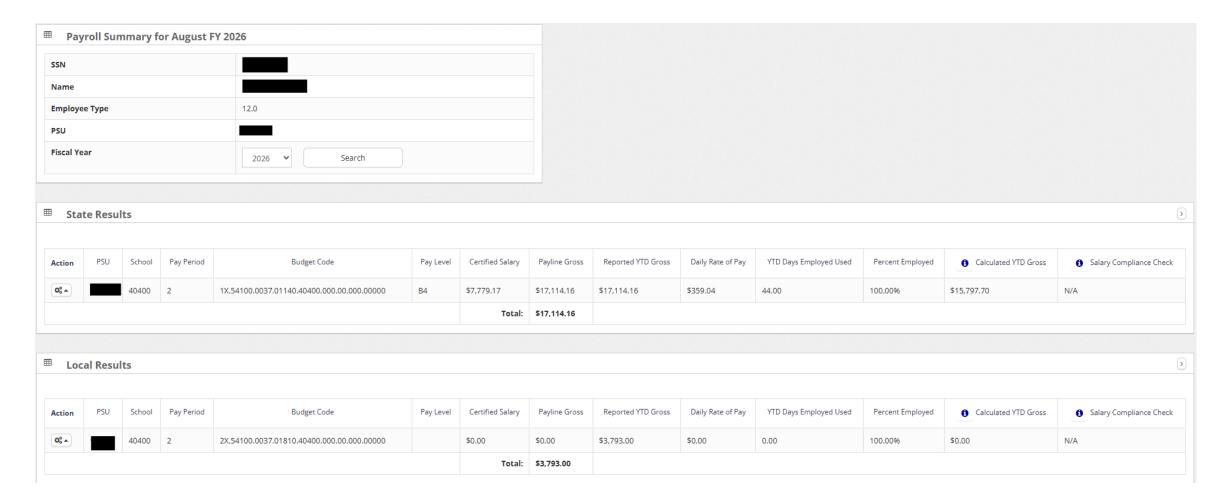
BAD Example



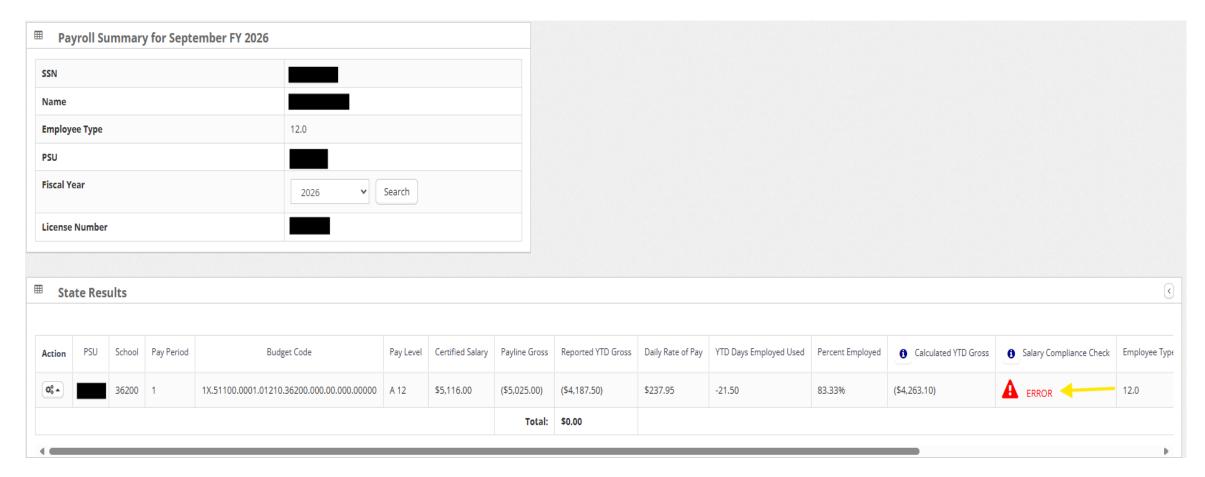
LICENSURE ISSUE Example



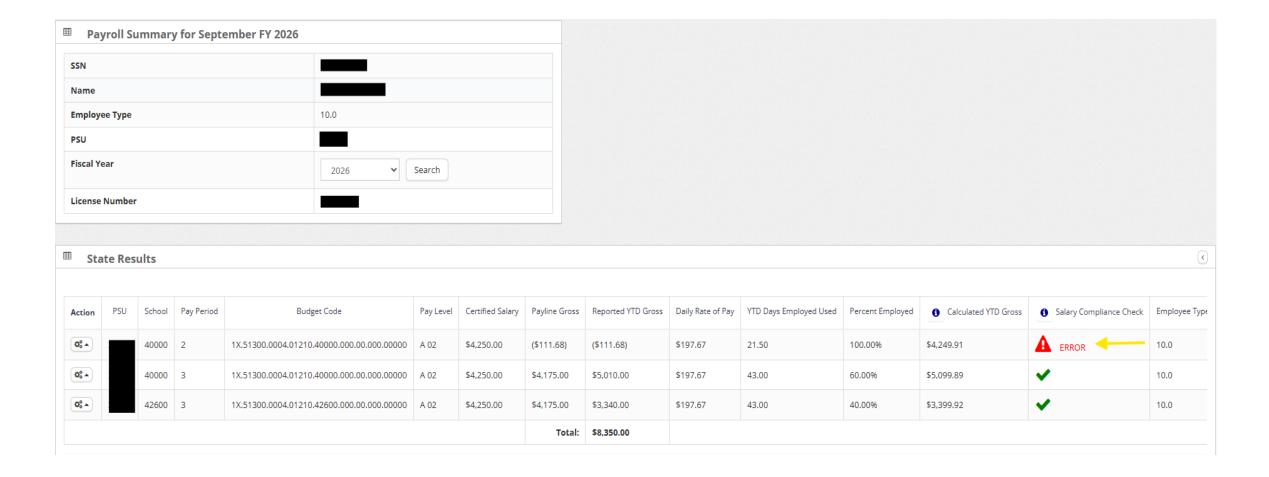
BYPASS COMPLIANCE Example



NEGATIVE YTD DAYS EMPLOYED Example



NEGATIVE YTD GROSS Example

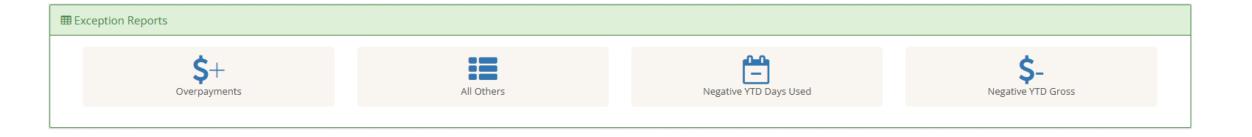


New Exception Report

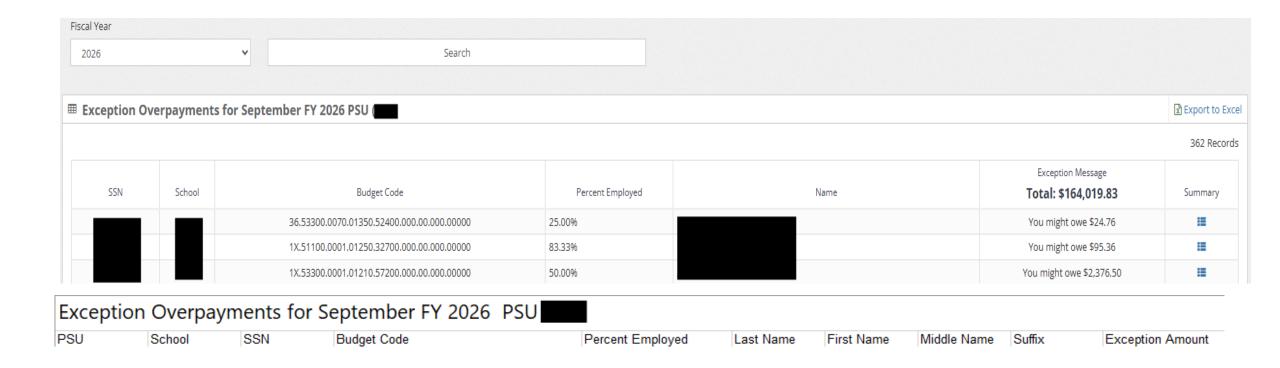
- Totals will be added to the reports.
 - In the meantime, the reports can be downloaded into excel and the exception amounts can be summed.
- The excel download has the exception amount and exception message (All Others Report Only) in separate columns for your convenience.
- There will not be an "exception" report for underpayments
 - As we have discussed, DPI does not have the ability to accurately program for exact salaries due to LEA position complexities.
 - We are creating a report that would show the list of staff who are reflected as potentially underpaid/overpaid.
 - We are also creating a Licensure Audit type report that would show the licensure changes that occur (daily) and the impacts on years exp, licensure changes to help you monitor when those take place.



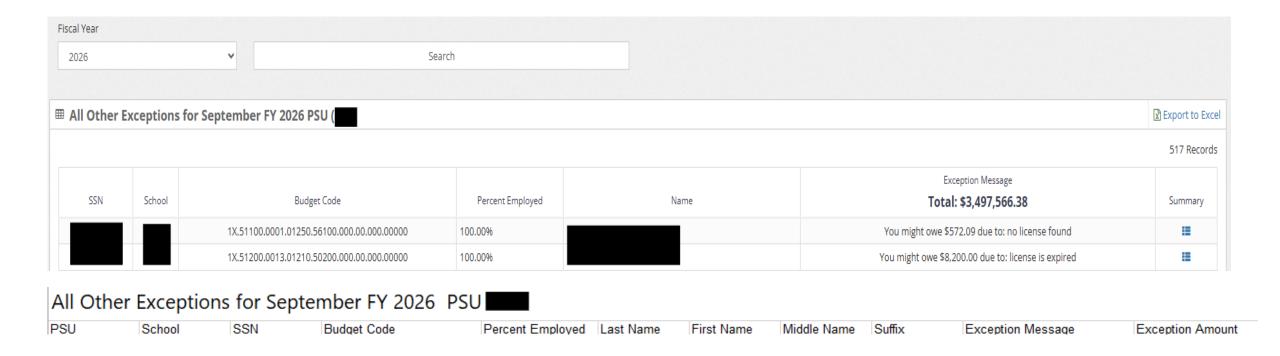
New Exception Reports



Overpayment Exception Report

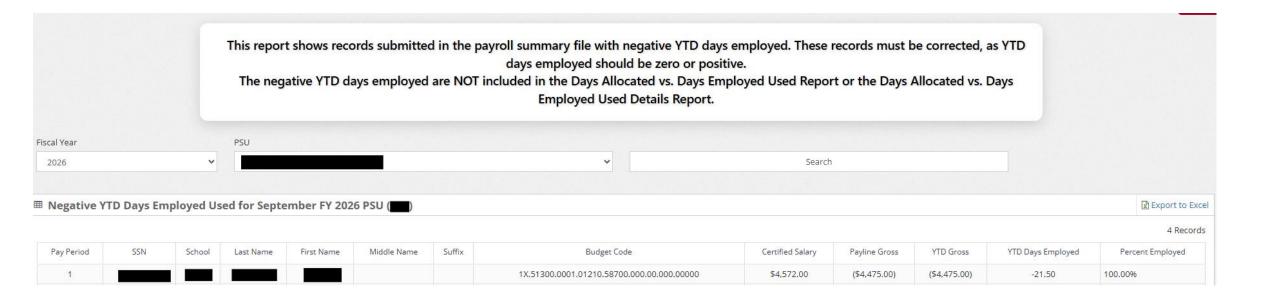


All Others Exception Report

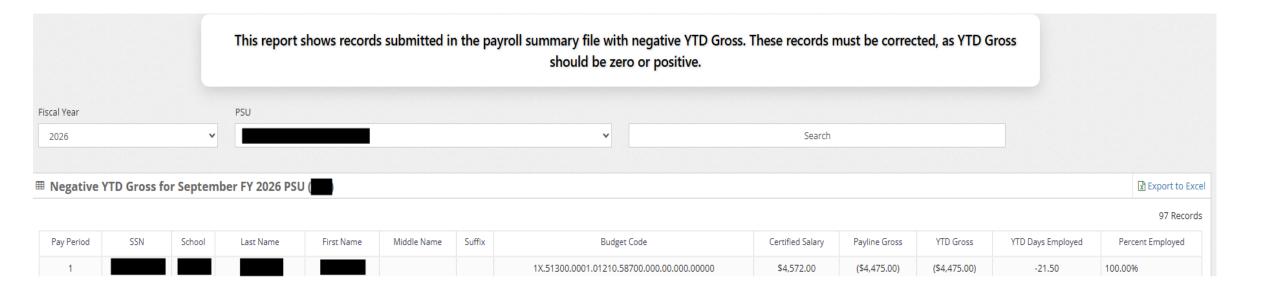




Negative YTD Days Employed Used Report



Negative YTD Gross Report





Next Steps

Final Monitoring Reports:

Roster that shows the Over and Under compared to the calculated Gross Pay Licensure Audit Trail report that shows when license changes/years exp changes

Processing Time Frame:

IT has to evaluate the platform to ensure the files and processes can be automated for multiple files each month. We are aiming for a 10th/20th and then month end (with UERS data) time frame. However, they have to determine when the systems are able to process more than the current once a month.

Important to remember that we are doing a FULL REPLACEMENT FILE with each submission and there is no mechanism for us to track any changes between those file submissions.

Vendor Meetings

- We met with all the vendors related to these updates (that webinar was recorded and is posted on our website).
- We provided them our formulas, data, and how we are using the various data elements from the PRSF.
- The expectation is for them to provide their customers (YOU) with any detailed reconciliation reports and other information within your financial software and systems.
- DPI does not have the capacity to provide reconciliations between the details and the summary data or review per period changes.

Timing

- We know this took longer than expected.
- We are hopeful that meeting the LEAs where they have the most accurate data will help streamline this process for everyone.
- We also want your energy spent on effective resource management and other fiscal operations for your district and not in the weeds related to salary compliance.
- We have completed our formal webinars and have posted the recording of the one we had with the vendors.

We hope this helps to streamline this work for everyone.

Questions?





