



NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

This NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin highlights issues and announcements that were communicated to users this week. It also features late-breaking and recurring news about NC SIS (PowerSchool).

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1. PowerSchool Weekend Updates and Fixes

The following item will be promoted into PowerSchool this weekend. All questions and concerns may be addressed to the [Home Base Support Center](#).

A. CTE Script

PowerSchool is applying a script to correct an issue caused by users entering CTE concentration overrides and failing to check the associated box as 'yes'. The script will update the override flag to 'yes' for the 2014-15 graduates that have a CTE concentration cluster highlighted but override not flagged as 'yes.'

2. Reminder: PowerSchool Scheduling Workshops

Attention, LEAs and Charter Schools!

Scheduling workshops for this year are currently posted on the NC SIS website's [Course List](#) page. Keep in mind, these are working sessions and ALL pre-scheduling steps must be completed before attending.

Beginning Monday, April 4, LEAs will be permitted to register multiple school-level registrations into each session to the extent that space allows. Only coordinators should register additional schools.

Starting Monday, April 11, sessions that are not filled may be canceled. So please, contact your LEA coordinator immediately if you are interested in attending a session.

Questions concerning these workshops may be addressed to the Home Base training team: sueann.stalnaker@dpi.nc.gov, tiffany.kinney@dpi.nc.gov or shannon.hickman@dpi.nc.gov.

3. IAM Service Security Compliance Changes Coming Next Week!

Starting Monday, April 4, 2016, employees who use the IAM Service for access to Home Base will need to change their password every 90 days. The NCEdCloud IAM Service has been upgraded to enforce the expiration of employee passwords for improved security.

The new password policy was piloted with a single district beginning March 29, and will be introduced incrementally -- based on the alphabetic order of last names -- beginning April 4 and continuing through May 18.

Once the password expiration policy is turned on according to the [schedule](#), users will be prompted to change their passwords when logging in if they have not changed their passwords within the last 90 days. Otherwise, users will be prompted to change their passwords beginning 80 days from their last password change.

LEAs and charter schools can also opt-in to implement a student password expiration policy. Student password expiration can be implemented based on the following criteria.

- a) The entire LEA or charter school
- b) Only students in grade levels 6 - 13
- c) Students in grade Levels 5 and below

To opt-in to student password expiration for the IAM Service, please submit a ticket to MCNC at support@ncedcloud.mcnc.org.

The IAM Service password rules and FAQ can be found at <https://ncedcloud.mcnc.org>. Have questions or need clarification? Contact Melissa Conover via email at melissa.conover@dpi.nc.gov.

The schedule for password expiration as well as FAQ can be found by navigating to: <https://ncedcloud.mcnc.org/news/employee-password-expiration-scheduled-ncedcloud-iam-service>.

4. New and Updated Information on the Web

- a) Licensure In-Field-Subject-EC Crosswalk 2015 - 16 SY - Dated 10/05/2015
<http://www.nc-sis.org/courses.html>
- b) [PowerSchool Release Notes 9.2.2 - February 2016](#)

c) [PowerSchool Release Notes 9.2.3 - March 2016](#)

5. Upcoming Training Webinars and Workshops

a) Athletic Eligibility in PowerSchool

This webinar will demonstrate the new Athletic Eligibility functionality in PowerSchool. The webinar will be recorded and posted to the [NC SIS website](#).

Date, Time and Registration Link

Thursday, May 26, 2016

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2653270361947006210>

b) PowerSchool Q & A

This webinar will not contain any presentation. It will be an open forum for attendees to ask their scheduling questions to a panel of DPI staff members.

Dates, Times and Registration Links

Monday, March 28, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2758246234607665410>

Wednesday, April 13, 2016

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3271220086011695874>

Friday, June 10, 2016

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3370667614209404161>

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6209691299522393089>

Thursday, June 16, 2016

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8912773566200419841>

Monday, June 20, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3112422019658833921>

Thursday, June 23, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8078778603369568001>

Thursday, June 23, 2016

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4978574726971441921>

c) Build and Load 2 Day Workshops (Scheduling)

These sessions are designed for schools creating a master schedule using the "build and load" method. Prior to attending this session, schools must have completed steps A-K in the "PowerScheduler: Prepare to Build" workbook and have validated their build data, clearing validation errors that result. Schools will work with their scheduling teams to complete the build and load processes to the extent that time allows. This is not a training session. It is a hands-on work session. Schools should plan to send all personnel needed to complete the build and load processes. Up to 4 people per school may attend. The LEA/Charter School Coordinator is to sign up for the session. In registration, indicate which school will be attending. Note only 1 school per LEA may sign up for a regional build session at this time. It is only necessary to create one registration for each school - not one for each person that may attend. Each registration allows 4 people from that school to attend.

Sessions will run from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. daily. Lunch will be on your own.

Region 4 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 18 - 19, 2016

Location: Sampson Middle School, 1201 West Elizabeth Street, Clinton, NC 28328

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7354>

Region 4 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 21-22, 2016

Location: Sampson Middle School, 1201 West Elizabeth Street, Clinton, NC 28328

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7355>

Region 8 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 18-19, 2016

Location: Cool Springs Administration Offices, 382 West Main Street, Forest City, NC 28043

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7362>

Region 8 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 21-22, 2016

Location: Cool Springs Administration Offices, 382 West Main Street, Forest City, NC 28043

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7363>

Region 1 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 25-26, 2016

Location: The Central Service Office, 715 US Highway, 13 North, Windsor, NC 27983

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7340>

Region 1 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 28-29, 2016

Location: The Central Service Office, 715 US Highway, 13 North, Windsor, NC 27983

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7341>

Region 6 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 25-26, 2016

Location: Union County Schools, 721 Brewer Drive, Monroe, NC 28112 **Registration Link:** <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7358>

Region 6 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: April 28-29, 2016

Location: Union County Schools, 721 Brewer Drive, Monroe, NC 28112 **Registration**

Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7359>

Region 3 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 2-3, 2016

Location: Facility Services, 601 A. West Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7352>

Region 3 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 5-6, 2016

Location: Facility Services, 601 A. West Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7353>

Region 7 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 2-3, 2016

Location: Watauga High School, 300 Go Pioneers Drive, Boone, NC 28607 - Room 2202 *(After checking in at the office, proceed straight down the entry hall to the end. Room is to the right.)*

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7360>

Region 7 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 5-6, 2016

Location: Watauga High School, 300 Go Pioneers Drive, Boone, NC 28607 - Room 2202 *(After checking in at the office, proceed straight down the entry hall to the end. Room is to the right.)*

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7361>

Region 2 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 9-10, 2016

Location: New Hanover County Board of Education Center 1805 South 15th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7350>

Region 2 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 12-13, 2016

Location: New Hanover County Board of Education Center 1805 South 15th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7351>

Region 5 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 9-10, 2016

Location: Office Support, Guilford County Schools, Laughlin Professional Development Center, 7911 Summerfield Rd., Summerfield, NC 27358 **Registration**

Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7356>

Region5 Build and Load 2 Day Workshop

Date: May 12-13, 2016

Location: Office Support, Guilford County Schools, Laughlin Professional

Development Center, 7911 Summerfield Rd., Summerfield, NC 27358 **Registration Link:** <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7357>

d) Load Only 1 Day Workshops

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Region 4 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: April 20, 2016

Location: Sampson Middle School, 1201 West Elizabeth Street, Clinton, NC 28328

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7345>

Region 8 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: April 20, 2016

Location: Cool Springs Administration Offices, 382 West Main Street, Forest City, NC 28043

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7349>

Region 1 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: April 27, 2016

Location: The Central Service Office, 715 US Highway 13 North, Windsor, NC 27983

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7342>

Region 6 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: April 27, 2016

Location: Union County Schools, 721 Brewer Drive, Monroe, NC 28112 **Registration**

Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7347>

Region 3 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: May 4, 2016

Location: Facility Services, 601A West Market Street, Smithfield, NC 27577

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7344>

Region 7 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: May 4, 2016

Location: Watauga High School, 300 Go Pioneers Drive, Boone, NC 28607

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7348>

Region 2 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: May 11, 2016

Location: New Hanover County board of Education Center, 1805 South 15th, Street, Wilmington, NC 28401

Registration Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7343>

Region 5 Load Only 1 Day Workshop

Date: May 11, 2016

Location: Office Support, Guilford County Schools, Laughlin Professional Development Center, 7911 Summerfield Rd., Summerfield, NC 27358 **Registration**

Link: <https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7346>

**Attendees must be an employee of a North Carolina Public school. Management companies are not permitted to attend.

**Please note, all registration information is subject to NC Public Records Law.

Visit the [NC SIS website](#) for additional information including webinars and training documentation.

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