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## NC SIS Weekly Email Bulletin

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## Home Base Maintenance Weekend

The next Home Base maintenance weekend is scheduled for Friday, May 13 through Monday, May 16, 2016. Maintenance will be performed on PowerSchool and Truenorthlogic applications.

PowerSchool will shut down May 13 at approximately 5:00 p.m. Once maintenance is completed, a message will be sent to notify users that the system is up and available for use. PowerSchool will be returned to service no later

than 6:00 a.m., Monday morning. If a delay in bringing up the system should occur, users will be notified.

Truenorthlogic 2016.2 will be released on Sunday, May 15. This release will include the Moodle 2.9 upgrade for the professional development component.

Visit the NC SIS website for a listing of all scheduled [Home Base maintenance weekends](#).

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## Diploma Type for OCS Students

Beginning this school year, Accountability will use the student Occupational Course of Study Flag in PowerSchool located on the 'DPI Academic' screen in PowerSchool for the Math Course Rigor calculations. All diploma-earning students should be on the FUTURE READY CORE; thus, there is no need for FRC 9.

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## 2015 - 2016 End of Year (EOY) Reminder

EOY for school year 2015 - 2016 will take place June 30 - July 11, 2016. The system will be brought down Thursday, June 30 at 5 p.m. to begin the process. NC PowerSchool will be returned to service as soon as possible after all EOY tasks are completed and the system is verified. All NC PowerSchool instances will be returned to service no later than 6 a.m., July 11.

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## Weekly Restarts for NC Instances (Reminder)

Please don't forget the weekly restarts that are scheduled to occur each Friday. Both the vendor, PowerSchool, and NCDPI agree that weekly restarts of all NC PowerSchool instances will help attain maximum performance. The service window for these restarts is 11 p.m. (EDT) – 2 a.m. (EDT). No instance will be down throughout the entire window; all services will be restored by 2 a.m.(EDT) each Saturday.

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## Call for UAB Agenda Items

### Email Agenda Items

The next User Advisory Board (UAB) meeting will be held Thursday, May 19, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Suggested topics for discussion should be emailed by COB, Monday, May 16, 2016, to Chris Stewart, Program Assistant for Home Base, [Christine.stewart@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:Christine.stewart@dpi.nc.gov). You may also call Chris at 919-807-3655 with questions or comments. Due to time constraints, the agenda must be limited to 5 items. If your topic cannot be in the meeting, Chris will let you know before the meeting.

### Registration Links for UAB and CCB Meetings

If you would like to attend the UAB and/or CCB meetings scheduled through Dec. 2016, click on the links below. You will only need to register once for each meeting.

[UAB Meetings](#)

[CCB Meetings](#)

Visit the NC SIS website's [CCB and UAB Meetings page](#) for a complete list of all upcoming meetings.

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## 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**

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. Only coordinators may register schools.

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

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**

This session is 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. Only coordinators may register a school. Each registration allows 4 people from that school to attend.

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

**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>

**e) Scheduling Help Workshops**

Scheduling Help Sessions are offered to schools who are having difficulty completing the scheduling process. Sessions are face-to-face at the NCDPI Building (301 N Wilmington St. Raleigh, NC) in Room 564. Schools will work with session facilitators to complete their schedules to the extent time allows. Sessions are scheduled for one day, but time of attendance will vary depending on degree of assistance required. Schools may register for one help session only to provide adequate availability for all schools. If after the initial signup period (thru 5/22) seats are available, they will be allotted on a first come, first served basis.

Sessions run from 9-4 each day, with lunch on your own.

Coordinators may register only one person for the workshop to represent the school. Up to 4 people per school may attend with this registration.

The training site address is listed below:

Department of Public Instruction  
301 North Wilmington Street  
Raleigh, NC 27601  
Room 564

Date: Tuesday, May 31, 2016

<https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7667>

Date: Wednesday, June 1, 2016

<https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7675>

Date: Thursday, June 2, 2016

<https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7727>

Date: Friday, June 3, 2016

<https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7728>

Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2016

<https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7730>

Date: Wednesday, June 8, 2016

<https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7731>

Date: Thursday, June 9, 2016

<https://www.timetosignup.com/powerschooltraining/form/7732>

\*\*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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