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Subject: NC WISE Weekly Email Bulletin
Attachments:

The NC WISE email bulletin highlights issues and announcements that were communicated to users during the week. The bulletin also features late-breaking and recurring news about NC WISE. In this issue:

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1. New on the NC WISE Web Site

NC WISE School List (Updated)

http://www.ncwise.org/documents/contact_us/NCWISE_Schools_030209.pdf
(PDF Format)

http://www.ncwise.org/documents/contact_us/NCWISE_Schools_030209_excel.xls
(Excel Format)

2. New on the Reporting Hub

GForge #3082

Attendance Rate By Teacher (School)

Includes the following fields: School Name, Grade, Days
Membership,

Total Absences, Attendance Rate, Average Daily Membership,
Homeroom Teacher

GForge #7766

Weekly Tardies by date range (LEA) and Weekly Tardies by date range
(School)

Include the following fields: School, Pupil#, FirstName, LastName,
HomePhone,
No. of Tardies

GForge #7477

Testing Exemption/Accommodation Report(LEA) and Testing
Exemption/Accommodation Report(School)

Include the following fields: Home School, Pupil Number, Legal Last
Name, Legal First Name, Test, Sub Test Name, Date,
School of Assessment, Exemption, Accommodation

3. Internet Connectivity Disruption Sunday, March 7

Due to ITS maintenance being required on the Metropolitan Area Network, which services NCDPI, all internet connectivity for the agency will be unavailable between 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on Sunday, March 7.

As a result, this will impact the following services at NCDPI:

- E-Mail
- NC DPI Public Website
- NC DPI Intranet
- BUD/IRM
- Mainframe connectivity
- HRMS
- HRMS Applicant
- NC WISE Public Website
- Licensure System
- VPN Access (Remote worker's)

IT Operations will be monitoring the systems to ensure a return to service for all production applications by 7:30 am on Monday, March 8.

We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause and thank you in advance for your cooperation.

4. 2010 NC WISE Symposium Surveys

Two surveys have been created for feedback on this year's symposium.

The first survey located at http://www.ncwise.org/symposium_certificates.html consists of general questions related to the symposium as a whole. This survey will provide the printing of a certificate of attendance once completed. It will close at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 11.

The second survey located at <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=U2EJJAYSWFM4> was created for the purpose of receiving feedback on specific training sessions. This feedback will assist the presenters and others who were instrumental in preparing each session. This survey will NOT provide the opportunity for you to print a certificate of attendance.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to provide us with your feedback. If you should have any problems accessing the survey, please contact the NCDPI Service Desk at (919) 807-4357 or help@dpi.state.nc.us.

5. Graduate Data Verification System

The annual data collection and review of high school graduate intentions are in progress for all NC WISE schools and is known as the Graduate Data Verification System (GDVS). NC WISE coordinators are encouraged to forward the following information pertaining to this system to all school data managers who in turn should share with their high school principals and school counselors.

GDVS is available Monday - Friday and refreshed daily by 7:00 a.m. GDVS is currently posting 2009 Summer School and 2010 Mid-Year / Early Graduates based on the NC WISE Diploma Issue Date field.

2009 Summer School graduates who are in Grade 12 or GR and have taken a summer school course must have an NC WISE diploma issue date BETWEEN the last day of school of the previous year and BEFORE the beginning day of the current year.

(Note: Be sure the summer school course is defined in eSIS as a summer school course.)

Mid-Year / Early graduates must have an NC WISE diploma issue date that is prior to the last day of school according to the 2009-2010 school calendar.

Regular Program graduates will be updated in GDVS during the months of April and May with a due date of June 15, 2010.

All high school principals, counselors and charter school directors/deans/head masters must have an active NCID (North Carolina Identity) to access GDVS.

Information on activating or verifying an NCID is available by contacting your LEA NCID Administrator listed at <https://www.ncid.its.state.nc.us/LEAListing.aspx> or by contacting the NCDPI Service Desk (help@dpi.state.nc.us or 919-807-HELP).

For instructions on how to obtain an NCID click on the following link: <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/docs/fbs/accounting/data/highschool/gdvs4ncid.pdf>.

Information and documentation on how to access the GDVS is available on the Financial and Business Services Web site under "What's New" <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/fbs/>.

6. Upcoming Scheduling Training

High School Scheduling Workshop

This two day hands-on workshop covers scheduling in the eSIS solution. Attendees will review hand scheduling, using the Master Timetable Builder (MTB) and scheduling using Teaching Teams and Teams/Groups. The tools available will be explained in detail and then applied in practice scenarios for specific school types. Participants will then have time to work in production to complete specific tasks with the assistance of an instructor.

Important: Course exercises will be completed in XUT. Because of this, attendees must have an NC WISE account at least one week prior to the course. This course assumes the attendee has basic knowledge of NC WISE and scheduling concepts.

Pre-requisites: The following screens must be updated for next year at least one week prior to attending the course:

- Next Year (located within the School Details Loop)
- School Schedule
- Course Lengths and Formats
- Course Start Dates
- Rooms
- Course Maintenance for Next Year
- Staff maintenance

Attendees should bring some basic scheduling information from their

school administrators with them such as # of semesters, terms, days, and periods for the next year as well as what course lengths and formats may be used (i.e. 6, 9, 12, 18, or 36 weeks)

March 9-11 - 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
March 24 - 26th - 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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Scheduling Refresher

This two hour refresher will review using the Master Timetable Builder, Mass Simulation and Class Transfer to create next year's schedule. Questions that cannot be answered during the refresher will be documented, researched, and returned to you via email.

March 16 - 9:00 AM - 1 PM  
March 17 - 9:00 AM - 1 PM  
March 18 - 9:00 AM - 1 PM

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