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. RPG Reminder

Per a communication sent from NC WISE on Wednesday, September 5, users were asked to submit their RPG reports by Monday, September 10. That deadline was extended to Tuesday, September 11 due to an unexpected NC WISE system issue. As of today, the following LEAs and charters have not submitted an RPG report. If your LEA/charter is listed below please submit your RPG as soon as possible.

Clover Garden (01C)
Washington Montessori(07A)
Charter Day School (10A)
Evergreen Comm Charter (11A)
Alpha Academy (26B)
Maureen Joy Charter (32A)
Kestral Heights School (32D)
Downtown Middle (34C)
Arts Based Elem (34G)
Highland Charter School (36A)
Greensboro Academy (41B)
Phoenix Academy (41D)
Summit Charter (50A)
Lincoln Charter School (55A)
Kennedy Charter (60C)
Metrolina Charter (60F)
Crossroads Charter (60H)
Rocky Mount Prep Acad (64A)
Gaston College Prep (66A)
Hawbridge Charter (01D)
Bethel Hill Charter (73A)
Bethany Community (79A)
Mountain Discovery (87A)
Brevard Academy(88A)
Union Academy (90A)
If you have questions pertaining to this request, please contact the NCDPI Service Desk by emailing ncwise.incidents@its.nc.gov.

2. Reminder: ACT Scores and Student Transcripts

Previously, ACT scores were printed automatically on students’ transcripts. Please be advised that ACT scores have been turned off in eSIS system codes and will not print on student transcripts.

Questions pertaining to this change may be addressed to the NCDPI Service Desk by emailing ncwise.incidents@its.nc.gov.

3. Reminder: NC WISE Maintenance Weekend for September 2012

This is a reminder that this weekend is a maintenance weekend for NC WISE. Maintenance will be performed on the following systems: eSIS, Webapps, Parent Assistant, UERS and Reporting Hub.

All systems will shut down at 5 p.m., Friday, September 21. Once maintenance is complete a message will be sent to notify users that these systems are up and available. All systems will be restored no later than 6 a.m., Monday, September 24. If a delay in bringing up the systems should occur, users will be notified via NC WISE email.

4. Entering Dropout Data
Please read and forward to the appropriate staff the message below from Dr. Ken Gattis addressed to LEA Dropout Data Coordinators and Charter Schools.

LEA Dropout Data Coordinators, Charter School Directors:

If you have arrived at your 20th school day, your schools can go ahead and enter your dropouts in NC WISE on the Program Assignment Screen. Information on entering the data can be found at: http://www.ncwise.org/documents/training_group/docs/gen_stu_info/WISE_Dropout_2012.pdf

On the NC WISE Reporting Hub, you can view all dropouts for your schools on the report Dropout_Student_Detail_Approval. You can check for possible errors by running the Dropout Error Report.

In a few days, the Dropout Calculation Report will become available. This report will calculate the high school dropout rate for each school and LEA. (Note: the current version of this report does not use the correct enrollment figures and is now being updated.)

If you are a charter school that did not have any dropouts, you don't need to enter any data. Just send me an email stating you have zero dropouts.

Thanks,
Ken Gattis

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5. Upcoming Training for September and October 2012

Data Manager – New Users Workshop – Sept. 24 – 28, 2012 (Class is Full)
This five day hands-on session is a basic class that covers the functional aspects of the NC WISE integrated solution. Each of the subsystems is explained with examples and exercises to reinforce the lecture. This session is designed to cover basic topics like Navigation, School Information, General Student information such as Demographics and Testing, working with the Student Course Selections, Marks and an introduction to WebApps/UERS.

SAR – School Activity Report (Part 1) Refresher Webinar – October 2, 2012 at 9 AM and October 25, 2012 at 9 AM
The online refresher sessions for SAR have been split into 2 parts. Participants will need to register for both Part 1 and Part 2 in order to receive the full refresher.

October 2, Registration Link: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/186399424
October 25, Registration Link: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/678021257

Diploma/GPA/Transcript Workshop at DPI Credit Recovery Workshop – October 12, 2012
This one day face-to-face session will consist of information pertaining to the Student Diploma Screen and GPA/Rank.

Registration Link: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/618000745

Nurse’s Module Refresher Webinar – October 24, 2012 at 1 PM
This webinar session will review the NC WISE Nurse’s Module within eSIS.

Registration Link: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/999976697

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