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Collections

MSDS Graduation Rate Appeals Window Closes Tonight

The graduation rate appeals window in the Michigan Student Data System (MSDS) will close at 11:59 p.m. EDT on September 16 (tonight). **This is the final opportunity for districts to self-correct the data used to calculate graduation and dropout rates.**

For more information, please visit the MSDS [Graduation and Dropout Information Web page](#) where you'll find additional resources, a timeline, user guides and frequently asked questions.

MSDS System Rollover for the 2015-16 School Year

The MSDS is scheduled to be offline from 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, September 20 through Friday, September 25, for the system rollover for the 2015-16 school year. For additional information regarding this maintenance window, [click here](#).

MSDS Direct Certification Report Refresh: September 14

The report of students who are directly certified to receive free supplemental nutrition services was refreshed Monday, September 14, using the following records:

- End-of-Year 2015 General Collection certified records.
- Early Roster Collection records that were resolved and error-free prior to September 10.

For more information about the Direct Certification Report, please visit the [Direct Certification Report Web page](#).

MSDS Retired Characteristics for 2015-16 School Year

As part of CEPI's ongoing commitment to reduce the data burden for districts, **we will be retiring several characteristics** in the MSDS that are no longer required to meet legislated reporting requirements. For further information regarding the components and characteristics affected, please [click here](#).

Transportation Expenditure Report (SE-4094) Reminder

As a reminder, the deadline to complete and submit the SE-4094 in the [FID application](#) is Wednesday, October 7. October 7 is the last day that ISD users can review all constituent district forms and finalize submissions to the state. Local educational agencies and public school academies should plan to submit their SE-4094 by Wednesday, September 23 to allow adequate time for ISD users to review.

EEM - Are Your Records Up To Date?

The Educational Entity Master (EEM) is the database that links educational data collections in Michigan for state and federal reporting. Many Michigan Department of Education (MDE) offices use the EEM for grade configuration, shipping addresses for testing materials, and contact information. EEM data are used to validate information in conjuncture with other data submissions, such as the Michigan Student Data System. Incorrect or outdated information in EEM may cause warnings, or errors in other data submissions, and can impact funding and grant allocations.

If you have had any changes in your district or school entities since the beginning of the school year, please make the appropriate updates in the EEM within the next week. For further instructions, please click on the following link: [Are Your EEM Records Up To Date?](#)

Other News

U.S. Department of Education Announcement

U.S. Department of Education (USED) has announced the upcoming biennial school attendance boundary data collection, by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), from all public schools. As a courtesy, the Center for Educational and Information (CEPI) is sharing this information.

The 2015-16 School Attendance Boundary Survey (SABS) will open for collection on November 2, 2015 and will close on May 15, 2016.

The SABS collects information on the individual attendance boundaries of schools (high schools, middle schools, elementary schools, etc.) within the school districts. This SABS collection is different from the School District Review Program that collects the school district boundaries. In October, the USED will mail collection materials directly to district superintendents.