NDE Bulletin
August 16, 2012

2012-2013 NSSRS Calendar
Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

The 2012-2013 NSSRS Calendar is available and can be downloaded from the NSSRS Resources web page http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/Resources.html

2011-2012 NSSRS Follow-up 1 – Submission window – Open August 23 – October 15
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School Enrollment, School Year = 2012-06-30
For 2011-2012 Dropouts and Summer 2012 Completers.
Year-end Special Education Snapshot, School Year 2012-06-30
For the purpose of providing Exit Reason values that match Enrollment Code values provided on School Enrollment.
2011-2012 Corrections will also be accepted for the following templates. Please note this is the last year that corrections will be allowed during this window. Student, Student Grades for courses completed during regular school year, Student Summary Attendance, Year-end Special Education Snapshot, Assessment Fact for NAI (Reading and Math), Title I Programs, Program Fact (Career Education, Early Childhood, Homeless, Interim), and Post School Survey.

2012-2013 NSSRS Fall - Submission Window – Open August 23 – Due October 15
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Student, October Student Snapshot (Snapshot Date = 2012-10-01), School Enrollment, October Special Education Snapshot (Snapshot Date = 2012-10-01) and Program Fact: Early Childhood.

NCLB Qualified and Student Grades
2011-2012 School Year - Make Corrections August 23 – October 15
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Beginning in 2011-2012, data to determine a teacher’s NCLB status is being extracted from the Student Grades template. Please be sure ALL teachers have been included on a Student Grades template, as there are numerous staff members appearing as No course or student grades data reported. In doing some review of the Student Grades data, it appears that some Student Grades data was reported at the wrong location (i.e. all Student Grades Templates had location 001 rather than the appropriate location) and is therefore not matching up to the teacher’s assignment. Please review the NCLB Non-Qualified Verification Report located in NSSRS Validation-Verification Reports (Staff) and make the necessary corrections between August 23 and October 15. Not doing so will affect your district’s NCLB Qualified status percentages for 2011-2012, as well as the statewide data. This data will be displayed on the 2011-2012 State of the Schools Report

If HOUSSE forms are needed, submit by October 15. The HOUSSE form and instructions can be found at: http://www.education.ne.gov/federalprograms/Title%2011.html#NCLBTTeacherForms
Please contact Pat Madsen (402-471-4863 or pat.madsen@nebraska.gov) if you have questions.
**Teachers Assigned Out of Endorsed Area or Level**

**2011-2012 School Year - Make Corrections August 23 – October 15**
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Beginning in 2011-2012, data to determine if a teacher is endorsed or not endorsed is being extracted from the Student Grades and the Student Templates. This data will not be used for meeting Rule 10 but is available for your review and for review by Approval and Accreditation staff. Please review and if necessary make appropriate changes to the Student Grades template. Remember, staff that are monitoring distance learning courses or web-based courses will show on this report, this will be resolved in 2012-2013 with an addition to the Student Grades template.

**2011-2012 Staff Reporting**
Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov) or Kathy Heskett (402-471-4738 or kathy.heskett@nebraska.gov)

The 2011-2012 Staff Reporting is now closed. If any further corrections or changes are necessary to this collection please contact the Helpdesk or Kathy Heskett.

**2012-2013 Staff Reporting - Due September 15**
Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

State statute requires Public Districts, Nonpublic Systems to submit a Fall Personnel Report by September 15. The NSSRS Staff Reporting data collection is located under the Student & Staff (NSSRS) tab on the portal. Special Purpose Schools (State Operated), Educational Service Units and Interim Programs (Rule 18s) should report during this timeframe too. The Staff Reporting system is open for 2012-2013, online entry and uploads are allowed. Corrections will be accepted through October 31, 2012.

**Reminder 2011-2012 Summer School Supplement – CDC Collection – Due August 31**
Contact: Russ Inbody (402-471-4320 or russ.inbody@nebraska.gov) or NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

This collection is for Public Districts only and collects the total Prorated Days of Attendance of the District’s Summer School Programs or if no summer school was held. The collection is due to NDE August 31, 2012.

**State of the Schools Report – Timeline**
Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

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Year-end Special Education Snapshot including 2011-2012, for the purpose of providing Exit Reason values that match Enrollment Code values provided on School Enrollment, Snapshot Date = ‘2012-06-30’
-Student
-Student Grades - Courses completed during regular school year
-Student Summary Attendance
-School Enrollment
-Year-end Special Education Snapshot (Snapshot Date = ‘2012-06-30’) 
-Assessment Fact for National Assessment Instrument student results (Reading and Math)
-Title I Programs
-Programs Fact: Career Education
-Programs Fact: Early Childhood
-Programs Fact: Homeless 
-Programs Fact: Interim
-Post School Survey (School Year = ‘2011-06-30’)

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**Nebraska Withdrawal From Mandatory Attendance Form (NDE 10-005)**
Contact: Brian Halstead (402-471-0732 or brian.halstead@nebraska.gov)

Beginning July 19, 2012, Section 79-202 provides that any person with legal or actual charge or control of a child who is at least sixteen (16) years of age but less than eighteen (18) years of age may withdraw such child from school before graduation and be exempt from the mandatory attendance laws. Upon the written request of any person who has legal or actual charge or control of such a child, the superintendent of a school district or the superintendent’s designee shall conduct an exit interview if the child is enrolled in a school operated by the school district or the child resides in the school district but is enrolled in a private, denominational or parochial school.

Section 79-202(8) provides that the Commissioner of Education shall prescribe the required form for withdrawals pursuant Section 79-202. The Nebraska Withdrawal from Attendance Form can be found in the NDE Portal under the Forms tab along with the Instructions for Completion of the Form, and can be accessed at the following link: [https://portal.education.ne.gov/site/Default.aspx?tabindex=1&tabid=7](https://portal.education.ne.gov/site/Default.aspx?tabindex=1&tabid=7)

Withdrawal from attendance under Section 79-202 shall be valid only if the person making the request signs the prescribed form, the child signs the prescribed form if the reason is required employment to support the child’s family, and the Superintendent or designee signs the prescribed form acknowledging that all of the requirements of Section 79-202 have been met.

**SAVE THE DATE – 2013 State Data Conference**
April 29-30, 2013 – Kearney, Nebraska
Details will be posted on the NDE Home Page as they become available.

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**How to contact the NDE Helpdesk**

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions. All three ways get to the same place, so **please only use one of these options**.

1. Submit a “Helpdesk Request” from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.
2. Email: nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov
3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556 Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

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