

**NDE Bulletin**  
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**GMS: 2012-2013 “Perkins Basic and Postsecondary Grant” Opens June 13**

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The 2012-2013 Perkins Basic and Postsecondary grant application will be available in the Grants Management System on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 and will close on Friday, July 13, 2012.

**Graduation Cohort Update**

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The Graduation Cohort Analysis Tool (G-CAT) can be accessed through the NDE Portal on the NSSRS Verification reports page within NSSRS Validation. Also, students who have been reported with regular high school diplomas at multiple districts are identified in the ‘Enroll Info’ Column of the G-CAT. The 2011 Cohort Extended 5th Graduation Rate and the 2012 Cohort Four-Year Graduation Rate are reported this school year, 2011-12 SY.

Update the school enrollment template for the graduates in 2011-2012 before June 30. Review the student roster to be sure the students included are correct. Be sure to resolve students with information in the ‘Enroll Info’ column and work with the other district involved to ensure the student is reported accurately. Please resolve the ‘Unresolved Issues’. Remember the Graduation Cohort is based on multiple years of data so some updates may involve previous year data. The Graduation Cohort Analysis and Resolution Request Tool located in the Consolidated Data Collection (CDC) can be used to request corrections to the Graduation Cohort data.

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**REMINDER Consolidated Data Collections (CDC) Due June 30, 2012:**

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The CDC collections listed below will close on June 30, 2012

***Nonpublic High School Completer Report*** - The Nonpublic Completer Report is for each nonpublic system that has the potential of serving students in grade 12. *Must be completed by Nonpublic districts only.*

***Days In Session/Instructional Program Hours*** - Days in Session by Grade.

Instructional Program Hours –KG, Elem & Sec. Also included in this collection is Pre-K instructional hours for early childhood education programs by attendance site. *Must be completed by Public, Nonpublic and State Operated districts/systems.*

**ESU/District/System/School Information Report** - Collects demographic data for ESUs, Districts, Systems and Schools for the next school year. *Must be completed by ESUs, Public, Nonpublic, State Operated and Interim Programs.*

**Elementary Class Size** - Number of students K-3 by grade who spend at least 50% of the school day in a classroom with a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 20 students. There are two collection points; once in the Fall based on Fall Membership and once in the Spring based on Average Daily Membership. *Must be completed by Public districts only.*

**Pupil Transportation Report** - Transportation/bus Information. *Must be completed by ESUs, Public, Nonpublic and State Operated.*

**Substitute Teachers** -This data collection will permit you to upload/enter data regarding substitute teachers that have already been employed during the 2011-12 school year and receive feedback on any data errors or potential violations by your school if the individual does not currently hold a valid Nebraska certificate. By uploading/entering data now, your school will have sufficient time to correct any errors or potential violations to ensure that any substitute teachers hold a valid Nebraska certificate before the data collection closes on June 30, 2012. *Needs to be completed by ESUs, Public, Nonpublic, State Operated and Interim Programs*