

**NDE Bulletin**  
**November 15, 2012**

**SAVE THE DATE – 2013 State Data Conference**

April 29-30, 2013 – Kearney Nebraska



**State of the Schools Report**

Friday, November 9 at 3:00 p.m. Nebraska Performance Accountability System [NePAS] was reposted to the portal with corrected data and rankings. The State of the Schools Report will be released November 20, 2012 with a news conference at 10:00 a.m. You may access a live stream of the news conference through a link on the Nebraska Department of Education's homepage at [www.education.ne.gov](http://www.education.ne.gov).



**Dropout Rates Review**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov))

The District Dropout Rates are now displayed in the NSSRS Validations website under Enrollment/Dropout Report. Please review the "Dropouts" Validation Report as soon as possible. The Dropout Rate will be made publically available on the SOSR on Monday, December 3rd.



**2012-13 ESEA/NCLB Consolidated Application**

Contact: NDE Consultant for your District/ESU

Reminder: The 2012-13 ESEA/NCLB Consolidated application is due to NDE on November 30, 2012. This application includes the following grants: Title I-A, Title II-A, Title III-LEP, Title III-IE. For information regarding this grant application, please contact the NDE Reviewer assigned to your District/ESU. This information is available on the "Contact Us" link at the bottom of any page of the NCLB Consolidated application.



**2012-2013 Non-Certification Staff Report (CDC collection)**

**Open December 1, 2012 – Due January 8, 2013**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov))

***All Public, State Operated and ESU's must report***

Include all District/System non-certificated employees in this section. Report the Full-Time Equivalency for staff in each of the following categories who were at the District/System on October 1<sup>st</sup> (or the closest school day to October 1st). School Administrative Support Staff, District/System Administrative Support Staff, Clerical Assistants to Instructional Personnel (non-classroom), Teacher Aides (work in classroom), Plant Operation Personnel (custodians, engineers, etc.), Regular Bus Drivers, Food Service Personnel, Library Aide, Other Personnel.

The FTE of Title I Funded non instructional staff that was previously reported in the Annual Participation Report, Part 2 will now be reported in the Non-Certificated Staff Collection. Please see the collection instructions for further explanation.

The Non-Certificated Staff Collection will open in the Consolidated Data Collection on December 1, 2012 and close on January 8, 2013. All Public Districts, State Operated Systems, and ESU's must report this data.

### **Submittal of Nebraska Withdrawal from Mandatory Attendance Form (NDE 10-005)**

Contact: Brian Halstead (402-471-0732 or [brian.halstead@nebraska.gov](mailto:brian.halstead@nebraska.gov))

Section 79-202(8) provides that the Commissioner of Education shall prescribe the required form for withdrawals pursuant to Section 79-202 and can determine whether the forms shall be submitted to NDE or whether data will be collected from school districts at the end of the 2011-12 school year.

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/DesktopDefault.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. Please complete this form on-line as the instructions indicate instead of filling in the blanks with handwritten text.

The Commissioner has determined that a PDF copy of the completed form shall be submitted to NDE at the time the on-line form is completed and signed by all of the required parties. The PDF copy of the form can be e-mailed to Brian Halstead, Assistant Commissioner, at [brian.halstead@nebraska.gov](mailto:brian.halstead@nebraska.gov)

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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](mailto: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.

*Ginny Carter, NDE Helpdesk*

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