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Welcome to Wednesday's Wisdom

Your weekly dose of support!

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Your data has been cleared. Don't forget to send SIF Objects!

Support Announcements

SIF Districts Need to Send Objects to Refresh Data

We requested the DOE delete the SIF Objects for all of your state reports in order to clear out all of the live events that occurred during the summer and during the scheduling Add/Drop period. This occurred on Monday September 18. It is now time for you to clear the SIF Temp Table for all of the Objects and use Send SIF Objects to send refreshed data.

Please refer to the iPass Tips and Tricks section below for more information.

New Feature – Scheduling Changes & Grade Transfer

The 7.0.2070907_sync release included a new Drop/Add Transfer Grade feature. This allows the user to transfer term grades from one course section to another at the time a

course sections is dropped and another course is added. Please refer to the following resource links to learn more about this new feature:

- Quick Guide: Grade Transfer During Schedule Changes
- Webex Recording of September User Group Meeting
 - Modifying Student Schedules
 - When to user Drop/Add vs. Remove
 - New Transfer Grade Feature Option to transfer term grades from one course section to another during Drop/Add



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Attention: iPass Administrators

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iPass Releases & Updates

Upcoming Patch Release

We are working on getting another patch release out that will include updates for the 2017-2018 MA state reporting changes. We will keep you updated through the Wednesday's Wisdom emails.

Sending SIF Objects for MA State Reporting

- Go to SIF Agent > SIF Delete TMP Table to clear the SIF Temp Table for the following Objects: (Can all be selected at one time)
 - X DisciplineIncident
 - X EmploymentRecord
 - X LEAInfo
 - X SchoolCourseInfo
 - X SchoolInfo
 - X SectionInfo
 - X SectionMarkInfo
 - X StaffAssignment
 - X StaffEvaluation
 - X StaffPersonal
 - X StaffSectionAssignment
 - X StudentAttendanceSummary
 - X StudentPersonal
 - X StudentSchoolEnrollment
 - X StudentSectionEnrollment
 - X StudentSectionMarks
 - X StudentSpecialEducationSummary
 - X TermInfo
- Then use SIF Agent > SIF Send Objects to send fresh data for the following objects:
 - X DisciplineIncident
 - X EmploymentRecord
 - X LEAInfo
 - X SchoolCourseInfo
 - X SchoolInfo
 - X SectionInfo
 - X SectionMarkInfo
 - X StaffAssignment
 - X StaffEvaluation
 - X StaffPersonal
 - **X** StaffSectionAssignment
 - **X** StudentAttendanceSummary
 - X StudentPersonal
 - X StudentSchoolEnrollment
 - X StudentSectionEnrollment
 - X StudentSectionMarks
 - X StudentSpecialEducationSummary
 - X TermInfo
 - X SummerWithdrawals-StudentPersonal
 - X SummerWithdrawals-StudentEnrollment

Notes:

- 1. Make sure that before you send your SCS SIF Objects that you have set up your Grade Headings & Terms for 2017-2018 to "Include" Terms and Final Grades, the Final Grade is set to Is Final Grade = Yes, and that the SIF ("fake") Terms have been set up and selected on the Academic Year Settings screen.
- 2. For October 1 reporting you must send the Summer Withdrawal Objects.

3. If you are a large district, you should send them during off-hours or one report at a time (SIMS, SCS, EPIMS, SSDR). This will save a drain on your site resources.

Directions on how to send SIF Objects can be found in iPass Help > SIF > Help. <u>Click</u> <u>here</u> for directions.

For more detailed steps go to iPass Help > SIF > <u>SIF – Setting Up for the Next State</u> Reporting Period.

New Query: Dropped Courses With Final Grades

A new query has been added to iPass Help that will help identify dropped courses with Final Grades. Dropped courses with grades/final grades will print on Report Cards and Transcripts. Once identified and if appropriate, the grades can be removed or transferred to other courses.

This query can be found in iPass Help > My Queries > Query Files for Download > <u>Dropped Courses With Grades Query.</u>

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