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Welcome to Wednesday's Wisdom

Your weekly dose of support!

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Today's User Group Meeting

TODAY – Online User Group meeting – Join the Harris Team today at 1:00 p.m. Refer to the Upcoming Events & Workshops section below for more information. If you can't make it, look for the recording to be posted in iPass Help > User Group Meetings.

Support Announcements

Massachusetts State Reporting Update

The DOE reports that 100 percent of their SIF districts certified March SIMS via SIF. We are happy to be part of this milestone and would like to thank all of you for your hard work and effort.

The DOE plans to rollover districts for the end-of-year transmissions this week. Be on the lookout for an email from the DOE. We will provide more information in an upcoming

Wednesday Wisdom email on how to prepare iPass for end-of-year SIMS, SCS, EPIMS and SSDR.

iPass Survey

Harris is conducting a survey during April to learn more about what your district is up to, what challenges you face, and how we can support and service you best. We would appreciate your taking a few moments to fill this out. The sooner we receive your input, the sooner we can address the needs of our users. Feel free to share the survey link with any or all of your users.

Click here to complete the survey

iPass Releases & Updates

A patch release went out (v. 7.0.29170405_sync) with corrections for the CRDC v2 Tool. Release Notes can be found in iPass Help > iPass Patch Release Notes > <u>Patch Release</u> Notes - 7.0.20170405_sync.

Sites that have been using the CRDC v2 tool uncovered some issues with the export field headers and Data Setup mapping screen options that affected calculations. These issues have been resolved and pushed out in a patch release this week (v. 7.0.20170405_sync). We recommend that you review the CRDC Data Setup screens to confirm the mapping selections and review the non-iPass School screens for data entry options. Then run a new CRDC v2 export and upload to the CRDC for error validation.

iPass Tips & Tricks

iPass CRDC v2 Tool

The iPass CRDC v2 tool can be used to create the 2 CSV files for upload to the CRDC site: the LEA file and School file. The CRDC Data Setup v2 feature provides data mapping fields to extract and calculate the CRDC related data available in iPass. Data elements not stored in iPass may be entered on the "non-iPass" CRDC mapping screens to be included in the CSV files. This allows all the data to be combined and exported into the CRDC LEA and School files for upload to the CRDC site. Entering the data elements in the CRDC mapping screens will eliminate the need for multiple file formats when

completing the online report.

The following CRDC v2 Help Guides and resources are available in iPass Help > DOE ID Manager > Help > CRDC v2:

- CRDC v2 Civil Rights Data Collection Report Data Mapping Help Guide (2015-2016)
- CRDC v2 CRDC LEA Elements Guide 2015-2016 iPass Data Setup
- CRDC v2 CRDC School (SCH) Elements Guide 2015-2016 iPass Data Setup
- WebEx Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) January 2017 (For 2015-2016 Report)

If you have any questions or need help, please create an <u>eSupport ticket</u> and the Support team will assist you.

Upcoming Events & Workshops

TODAY at 1:00 p.m. – April User Group Meeting

Today's Online User Group meeting will be a "Review and Debrief" of the recent SIF state reporting process and the Online Course Recommendation process. While it is fresh in your mind, please join us and let us know the biggest hurdles you encountered during these processes. Let us know how recent improvements helped the process and give us input on how to improve the process for next time. We would like to know how we can improve your ability to complete these processes most efficiently and effectively. This will help us identify areas to improve and make sure we provide you with the training, documentation, and support options you need to be successful. Please join us at 1:00 p.m. today.

Click here for meeting link and information.

TOMORROW – Vocational/Technical Schools Onsite User Group Meeting

We are pleased to announce our first onsite User Group Meeting of 2017! This initial meeting is for vocational/technical schools only. The meeting will be at Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School in Marlborough, MA, on Thursday, April 13, from 10 a.m. to noon. Please register each person who plans to attend. Please complete the <u>iPass</u>

<u>Survey</u> prior to attending so that we know more about you and the needs of your school.

Click here to Register

Your admission to the school may be delayed or denied if you do not register.

Future User Group sessions will be announced in your local area very soon for iPass public, private, and collaborative schools. If you are interested in hosting a meeting at your school, please email Sharon O'Connor with some available dates in April.

iPass Add Ons

EZSchoolEnroll

Getting ready for new-student or Kindergarten registration?

Simplify the process by providing parents with online registration.

- Parents log in and fill in information in forms created by your district.
- Information comes into iPass for review, approval, and enrollment.
- Eliminates the need for school-based or central-based enrollment.
- Can be used to collect all kinds of information for use in other areas/products.

EZSchoolEnroll fully integrates with iPass and there is no per-student charge for this product for current iPass clients! Watch a recorded demo that has been posted in iPass Help > EZSchoolEnroll.

Professional Services

Does your school district need professional development in iPass?

Do you have new initiatives that may require the purchase of a third-party software product? Meet with a Harris Professional Services expert and see how iPass can meet your needs. Harris offers several third-party products that are designed to integrate with iPass, including EZSchoolEnroll and School Rush!.

Click here to schedule an appointment for a complimentary business review.

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