Course-Teacher-Student Presentation
Questions & Answers
October 14, 2013

1.	Question:	Last year when we tried to set assignments in the EDCS we ran into problems because KCCMS kept throwing out our spring courses as "duplicate courses". Has this been fixed so if we identify a course by term (i.e. Fall vs. Spring) we can upload both w/o the second one getting kicked out?
	Answer:	As long as the unique identifier is different this should not be a problem. If you were getting an error regarding duplicate course, then somehow the courses did not indicate the 1 of 1 and 1 of 2 sequences. Please be sure that you data in your SIS and your data from the KCCMS match. Remember, the KCCMS is the main source of data for all other programs. If it is correct in the KCCMS but not in your SIS and you are using your SIS to complete applications, you will encounter errors.
2.	Question:	Are elementary schools required to send STCO quarterly or by semester
	Answer:	You should send your course outcomes on STCO records to KIDS as they are set up in your SIS. We do not require a set reporting timeframe.
3.	Question:	Last year we were told that we needed to add the Confucius Institute instructors to our EDCS and report them as the primary teacher on the STCO. We could never get the information needed to add them to our EDCS and some of the information needed I can understand why they would not want to share it with people they don't know. How should we be handling this and if we are supposed to add them, where do we get the information?
	Answer:	Please send an email to Lori Adams ladams@ksde.org if you have students attending the Confucius Institute and she will work with you trying to get this information.
4.	Question:	As the KCCMS has moved along I have found that I need to do a LOT of cleanup in our KCCMS and feel it is better to completely start over with everything except the CTE courses - so is there some way to export the KCCMS file and expire all the courses with the file and then send it back and upload so that everything but CTE courses are expired. There are a lot of reasons for doing this and even now with the local course identifier being a must I know that several of my courses did not go in correctly so that is going to be a big issue. Second my EDCS has rolled over and we are wondering if we can have you back this up so after I get through cleaning up the KCCMS then we could reload the correct information.
	Answer:	Yes, you can do that exactly as you have stated. Export all your courses, put an expiration date to the courses you want to expire, and then upload the new courses. Just make sure that the expiration date falls before the date of the new courses that you place in the system. You may delete the rolled over data by selecting the "Delete Data" link. Once deleted you may upload files with your correct Staff, FTE, and assignment data.
5.	Question:	How do you report individual courses that students take at KAMS?
	Answer:	In EDCS, you will select the appropriate local course code/KCC Identifier and assign the course to the appropriate licensed personnel who oversees the program. This individual may be an administrator, counselor, or another

		licensed individual. If the course is dual credit you will need to select the "dual credit" checkbox in EDCS.
6.	Question:	What about elementary and middle school courses that do not have "credits"?
	Answer:	In EDCS, you will need to add the assignment to the appropriate educator, so he or she receives credit for teaching the course. If the student does not receive a grade you will not check the "Confirm for STCO" check box.
7.	Question:	Is the 2013-2014 Licensed Personnel Guide available now? Last time I checked recently, it wasn't.
	Answer:	It is available on the on the Licensed Personnel webpage: http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=322. It has not yet been posted within EDCS yet.
8.	Question:	CTE courses approved and not available on EDCS. What do we do?
	Answer:	Please contact the Pathways Help Desk at pathwayshelpdesk@ksde.org for assistance. We will need to check several things in Pathways and KCCMS. For EDCS: In most cases, this indicates that the KCC Identifier was changed. Always check first to ensure the course is not pending approval in KCCMS. EDCS will allow you to select a course that is pending approval, but the Local Course / KCC Identifier will not populate in the list of assignments. If the course was selected and added to assignments in EDCS when it was pending approval, you will need to delete the assignment and re-add it once the course is approved.
9.	Question:	To generate the info for the STCO, does the information have to be sent in on the production side or will it generate it off the validation side also?
	Answer:	The data that is displayed in that report comes from course assignments to educators in EDCS. It is not data that has been sent to the KIDS system.
10.	Question:	We changed local course codes in KCCMS to match our SIS on our CTE courses, and now when the courses are assigned to the educators, the courses show up as being there but the KCCID does not save in the assignment record?
	Answer:	This has been fixed
11.	Question:	The KCCID is the same while the Local is different, so when it's submitted on the STCO it throws an error.
	Answer:	That is correct. You may need to make sure that if you have two courses that are different only by the Local Course ID that **BOTH** courses are assigned to the educator in EDCS.
12.	Question:	I have been reading through some of the help sheets and I see that courses like E2020 and our vo tech classes that the way I have been doing them will not generate on the state transcripts because they are back filled on our transcripts thus they will not go in on the STCO so I am wondering the best way to correct this- the Vo Tech Classes will not be hard but there are so many E2020 classes that mapping each one is going to be a nightmare especially since you may not use some of these at all - so what do you suggest?
	Answer:	All courses that you want as part of a state transcript will need to be in the KCCMS, all courses for which you are assigning a grade needs to be in the KCCMS.
13.	Question:	Do we have to do sequencing in KCCMS for elementary/middle school courses?
	Answer:	If you give a semester completion grade for a student in the elementary school or in the middle school then yes, those courses should be sequenced. In most cases at the Elementary school students are not given semester

		grades but a final passing grade. How you sequence these courses will depend on how you issue your final report card/transcript.
14.	Question:	If only 1 of 1 then we can do just one STCO for the entire year for elementary/ms?
	Answer:	If that is how you provide course outcomes. If students do not earn a grade for each semester or for each quarter, rather they earn a final course outcome, then a sequence 1 of 1 is appropriate.
15.	Question:	RE - KAMS question. Do schools have to build each course separately in our SIS for every student that attends KAMS?
	Answer:	The KAMS courses would be mapped in KCCMS once, and any student that attends KAMS from your district can be enrolled in those courses.
16.	Question:	We are wondering who sees the grades that we submit to through STCO?
	Answer:	At this time, you see the grades, and we do not share them with any outside entities; however, there are plans to share data with the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) for qualified admissions.
17.	Question:	If I change a current non funded pathway class from "e" to "x" because of the state coding changes will it cause a problem?
	Answer:	Yes, it will cause an error(s) in your Spring/Summer reporting. You should expire the current course as of 6/30/2014, and then create a new course with the X in the College/Career field. This new course will be the one that will need to be added to the 2014 – 15 pathway that will be in progress during the Spring semester.