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The Office of Civil Rights (OCR) gathers data biannually through the Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) on key education and civil rights issues in our nation's public schools, tracking performance toward the provision of equal educational opportunity. In the fall of 2014, the U.S. Department of Education will be including all public districts and schools in the nation in the CRDC. This data collection will gather data for the 2013 – 2014 school year.

While all data for the CRDC must be submitted by school districts directly to the U.S. Department of Education, the Kansas State Department of Education is committed to assisting districts and schools as much as possible. This website will serve as a central point for information on the CRDC for Kansas educators.
http://www.ksde.org/Agency/FiscalandAdministrativeServices/InformationTechnology(IT)/CRDCKansasSupport.aspx

The OCR is redesigning the functionality of their web application this year so that states can submit data directly to the CRDC on behalf of their districts. This would be data that the districts had previously submitted to the state. KSDE hopes to utilize this already reported data to reduce burden and duplicative effort for the districts. The districts will still have the responsibility for the data reported on the CRDC and can chose whether or not they would like to use any or all of the state pre-populated data. Keep in mind that KSDE will not be able to provide all data required.

We will post a document soon to our CRDC web page that details the data elements we will be able to provide. Watch for further details about this option to be sent via email communication as the details become known.

State and Federal support available:

- KSDE email support - crdcks@ksde.org - use for questions specific to KSDE data pre-population.
- Federal assistance with the Advanced Website can be obtained by sending an email to crdc@aemcorp.com. Other federal support contact info will be published when the data collection opens in the fall of 2014.

Tasks you should be considering now include:

- Complete the federal Advance website information http://2013crdc.org
- Review the federal documentation to understand what data you will need to report
- Watch for a state document that identifies which data elements that districts have previously provided to KSDE that can be pre-populated in the CRDC for you

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