Dropout Graduation Summary Report
EXIT Code Cheat Sheet

EXIT Codes (Field D28: Exit/Withdrawal Type)

- 1 = Transfer to a public school in the same district
- 2 = Transfer to a public school in a different district in Kansas
- 3 = Transfer to a public school in a different state
- 4 = Transfer to an accredited private school in Kansas or in a different state
- 5 = Transfer to non-accredited private school in Kansas or in a different state
- 6 = Transfer to home schooling
  - This code includes students who leave the formal education system to continue a religious community-based education (i.e. Amish).
- 8 = Graduated with regular diploma
- 10 = Student death
- 11 = Student illness
- 12 = Student expulsion (or long-term suspension)
- 13 = Reached maximum age for services
  - If student was previously submitted with a D28: Exit/Withdrawal Type = 22, then the student should not be submitted with a D28: Exit/Withdrawal type = 13. A D28: Exit/Withdrawal Type = 8 should be submitted when the student no longer receives transitional services.
- 14 = Discontinued schooling (including preschoolers/Kindergartners who are removed from schooling by parents)
- 15 = Transfer to a juvenile or adult correctional facility where diploma completion services are provided
- 16 = Moved within the US, not known to be enrolled in school
- 17 = Unknown
- 18 = Student data claimed in error by an ASGT record
- 19 = Transfer to a GED completion program
- 20 = Transferred to a juvenile or adult correctional facility where diploma completion services are not provided
- 21 = Student moved to another country, may or may not be continuing
  - This would include foreign exchange students going back to their home country
- 22 = Student with disabilities who met the district graduation requirements for a regular diploma, but is remaining in school to receive transitional services deemed necessary by the IEP team
  - This code can only be submitted for students marked with ‘WD’ in D35: Primary Disability Code
- 23 = Student with an extended absence at the beginning of the school year (through September 30), planning to return
  - This code should be used for students showing as Unresolved Exits so the student doesn't count as a Dropout in the Dropout/Graduation Summary Report
- 98 = Unresolved Exit (KSDE use only)
- 99 = Undo a previously submitted EXIT Record

Dropout Codes

- 14: Discontinued schooling
- 16: Moved within the US, not known to be continuing
• 17: Unknown
• 19: Transfer to an adult education facility (i.e. for GED Completion)
• 20: Transfer to a juvenile or adult correctional facility where educational services are not provided
• 98: Unresolved Exit (Any unresolved exits in grades 7-12 will also be counted as dropouts)

Non-Graduate Codes

• 5 = Transfer to non-accredited private school in Kansas or in a different state
• 6 = Transfer to home schooling
• 10 = Student death
• 12 = Student expulsion (or long-term suspension)
  o *This EXIT code will result in a non-graduate status should the student not return or enroll in a new
district by the end of the cohort timeline
• 13 = Reached maximum age for services

*Non-Graduate Note: Any other EXIT code that is used in which the student does not enroll in a new
accredited school after exiting may also result in “non-graduate” status.
Example: Student exits with a code 2 (transfer to another accredited district), but the student
does not enroll in another district. That student would be counted as a non-graduate for the
district that exited the student.

Dropout Rate Calculation

The dropout rate is calculated annually and reflects the number of seventh – twelfth grade students who drop
out in any one school year. A dropout is any student who exits school between October 1 and September 30
with a dropout EXIT code AND does not re-enroll in school by September 30.

The dropout rate is not the inverse of the graduation calculation for two specific reasons:

1. The annual dropout rate is calculated using one year of data while the graduation rate is
calculated using four years of data (also known as the cohort group).
2. The dropout rate is calculated on seventh-twelfth grade students while the graduation rate is
calculated on ninth-twelfth grade students.

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