## August 2023 MIS – FAQ
### Begin Year Set Up
#### What needs to be done early in the school year?

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### Begin Year Set-up tasks.

1. **Discovery Process - Program discovery and building alignment.**
   a. **Discovery Process** - Meet with administrators, confirm the type of preschool program and special education programs offered by the organization by building.
   b. **Program sessions** - Confirm all program starting time, dismissal time and lunch time minutes and days per week in session.
   c. **Directory Alignment** – Based on the current year program types and sessions, review the building information from the directory. Contact local board clerk or KSDE to make corrections of inaccurate program types and / or sessions in the directory. The **Directory Guidance Chart** can be used to exchange building information with the local board clerk.
   d. **Open and closed buildings** – Document new buildings by name and number for the current school year. Note closed buildings by name and number for the current school year.
   e. **Mapping program types to buildings** – Based on current year programs offered, match the program type to the MIS setting codes by building number.
   f. **IEP program update** – Update local IEP systems with current year building data. Share with providers all current year building details.
   g. **Special education program buildings** – Confirm the Off-site non-public, home, community-based preschool, Incarceration and hospital buildings have the same building minutes, class minutes and days per week as the local elementary school for all grade levels.
   h. **X0440 buildings** – Provide to KSDE the current year Directory schedule information for non-accredited private schools in your Catchment area. Email to KSDE special education data mgr. Include Preschool, Kindergarten and daily schedule (Grade 1-12) separately.
   i. **Create a Directory Chart** – Document current year building and class times, days per week in session, and program types for each building in a Directory Chart. Provide the chart to local board clerks for guidance for completing the Directory updates for the current year.
2. School Calendars.
   a. Discovery Process – Obtain current year calendars applicable for all IEP service locations.
   b. District level calendars – Create a master District level calendar for all grades, all buildings.
   c. State school calendars – Create a master District level calendar for all grades, all buildings.
   d. Private / Parochial calendars – Create a building level calendar for all grades.
   e. Other calendars
      i. Create building level calendars for those programs that do not follow the master calendar.

3. Current Year Providers.
   a. Discovery Process – Discover current year provider population, their roles and organization of assignment.
   b. Update MIS Personnel List - Add new service line providers to current year personnel list, remove providers no longer serving students by the organization.
   c. Determine provider organizations – Discover where [the service location building(s)] each individual provider delivers IEP services. Only associate the relevant service organization to the service provider. Do not arbitrarily list every USD in a Coop or Interlocal.
   d. Assign provider roles – Mark all providers with the role of “Service line provider”.
   e. Update current year MIS provider profiles – Enter current year provider roles and assign current year organizations.

4. Current year setting codes
   a. Discovery Process – Confirm the current year Directory updates correctly lists program types by building. Verify the session minutes and days per week in session.
   b. Creating setting codes in the MIS – After the Discovery process is completed, create a current year settings list corresponding to the Directory program types by building. Once the settings list and the correct Directory program match, submit the setting. Next notify KSDE the settings and program align. This begins the approval process. Do not submit settings for Central office buildings. Setting are not required for buildings/ programs not used as IEP service locations. Do not copy settings from the prior year without completing the begin year Discovery Process.
   c. Special education program buildings – Follow Data Dictionary guidance by listing the specific setting codes for each special education program buildings.

5. Prepare current year student data.
   a. Discovery process – Using documented Local MIS Procedures, ascertain which individual students are active in the current school year. This population is the first batch of students to be submitted.
   b. New building associations – Update local IEP systems to account for student who have new Neighborhood, responsible and attendance schools in the current school year.
   c. Updating Responsible School – Coordinate with local KIDS administrators to align current year Accountability School in KIDS to the student’s responsible school in the MIS.
   d. Preschool to Kindergarten changes – Update current year service lines to reflect the change of preschool settings and service locations to Kindergarten based locations and settings.
   e. Promotion of Grade – Update each student’s grade level in local IEP systems prior to initial MIS submission.
   f. Promotion of Status – Update student status to continuing for each active student resuming services from the prior school year.

6. Target Submission dates
   a. August 31 or before – Target date for submission of Calendars, settings, and providers.
   b. Labor Day or before - Target date for initial batch submission of current year student records.
Analyzing MIS reports is essential for assuring reliable and complete data for the school year. Using the report tools in the MIS to find discrepancies and making corrections based on these discrepancies, is key to assuring timely and accurate reporting and avoiding point deductions on the Indicator score sheet.

Warning - Do not import a batch file of all prior year students into SPEDPro at this time of the school year. A mass import of all students may introduce errors and verifications which there will not be time to correct before the collection closes. Only import individual students with the purpose of correcting existing errors and verifications.

1. Projected End of Year report
   a. List of all students served by the LEA during the school year. Are all students accounted for?
      i. Is the report unduplicated? No student should be listed more than once.
         1. FY2019 MIS workshop handbook shows how to find and remove duplicate records.
      ii. Incomplete data - Find and correct students with Active status and services that end before the last day of school. Active student would have services through the last day of school.
      iii. Find and correct unequal exit dates and latest service end dates. These dates would always be the same date.
      iv. Compare the Transportation indicator (yes / no) to all services data.
         1. ST service and No in the transportation indicator, requires profile correction.
         2. Yes, in the transportation indicator and ST Service is not present may require an additional service line to be added.
      v. Exit code of “S” and a disability is present, will likely require correction.
      vi. Students with DD disability over the age of 10 will require correction.
   b. Missing / null values present in columns with expected values.
      1. Grade level – will require correction.
      2. Neighborhood and Responsible schools.
   c. Setting value “Z” is present in the all settings column will require correction.
   d. Age on June 30 is not 3-21 – will require correction.

2. Overlap report.
   a. List of students with service dates overlapping with another agency. More than one agency is claiming to have served the same student on the same dates in two or more different locations.
   b. To resolve overlaps, modify service start and / or exit dates to remove overlaps.
   c. Speak with the Data Clerk from the overlapping agency and coordinate efforts as all overlaps must be resolved.
   d. Tip – Move in student – Are you reporting the same IEP services that were delivered from the sending agency? If yes, delete the service lines from the other agency.
   e. Tip – Move out student – Is the overlap start date days before your exit date? If yes, then you exit date and service end dates may be long. The student was already in the new agency before the exit date. To fix it change the exit date and latest service end dates to equal the day before the overlaps starts.
   f. This report should have no students listed by September 15

3. Exit status report.
   a. List of students with subsequent activity after they exited your agency.
   b. The report is evidence the exit status reported needs to be changed to “T” – Moved known to be continuing in another Kansas organization.
4. **Unknown exit report**
   a. List of students reported as “T” – Moved known to be continuing in another Kansas organization. However, the student is not found elsewhere.
   b. Focus of student with exit dates from August through April.
   c. Check with local KIDS administrator to see if the basis of exit should be different.
   d. Expect reported Exit codes to change for some students.
   e. Listed students may affect the accuracy of the OSEP Table 4 Exit report.
      i. This report should have no students listed by September 15.

Reminder – Per OSEP requirements, the exiting data is only applicable to the July 1 – June 30 time frame. Thus, a records request for students enrolling in the current school year are not applicable to exits from earlier in the prior school year. A student must continue elsewhere in a General education or Special Education program in the same school year they exited the prior organization. Enrollment before June 30 is required. For example: Student X drops out of USD 123 in March. USD 123 receives a records request for student X who enrolled in USD 999 in August. The correct status for student X is dropout for the prior school year.

5. **Discipline Incidents omitted from the OSEP Table 5 Incident report.**
   a. Students without an area of disability on the incident date will require correction.
   b. Students not claimed in the MIS for state or federal funding.
   c. Students without an IEP services on the incident date will require correction.
      i. Inaccurate disability and service date is corrected in the MIS.
      ii. Inaccurate disciplinary incidences are corrected in KIAS.

6. **Table 5 discipline Report –**
   a. Compare out of school suspensions and expulsions of more than 10 days to the MIS service lines.
      i. Setting “U” would be present for student served in alternative locations during long term out of school suspensions or expulsions. Missing “U” settings will require correction on service lines.

7. **Projected OSEP Table 4 exit report**
   a. List of students who qualify for the OSEP exit report.
      i. IDEA students
      ii. Age 14 -21
      iii. Claimed in SPEDPro
      iv. Public School student
      v. Last exit of the school year (from any agency)
      vi. Has not become active SPED elsewhere after the exit date (excludes moved students)
      vii. Student was in Special Education at the beginning of the school year (July 1)
      viii. Does the list contain all the qualified students with the correct basis of exit?

8. **Timely and Accurate Results Template - Update Template listing students with**
   a. Verification 0148, 0176, 0203, 0210, 0224.
   b. Student with Incomplete data
   c. Unresolved Exits and Incorrect Exit status
   d. KGRS FTE, April to June payment
   e. Discipline Incidences omitted from final report.