

Progress Statistics: Week of November 9 - 15, 2009

Schools in production	1,753
Number of active students (not including withdrawn students, e.g. graduated)	497,407
Maximum distinct user logon sessions in a day	16,004
Total distinct user logons for the week	80,618
Maximum number of reports run in a day.....	24,393
Maximum concurrent users in a day	6,653

Operations

Dorothy Ward

General Information and Notifications

No issues, problems or concerns with DB/OAS performance have been noted to end of day Monday. Some statistics provided by Operations for Monday are: Maximum concurrent users @ 10am: 5,700; total reports as of 4:15pm: 22,565; total report cards run as of 4:15pm: 5,771.

Implementation and Support

Daniel Bond

Learning Events / Resource Materials

Reminder from last week about the Elluminate recording of the **Scheduling Course-based Schools** learning event, delivered Nov. 12, 2009 which is posted to the Learning Resource Centre > Recurring Events and Processes > Pre-Scheduling and Scheduling. This recording will be very useful for new administrators as it introduces the concepts and terminology used in BCeSIS regarding school scheduling. For a complete description of the event, scroll over the event title on the LE Schedule page.

For districts currently using Student Services

Please check out the revised documents **Individual Education Plan (IEP) reference guide** and **Creating a Goal Progress Report** under the Learning Resources Centre > Focused Areas of Interest > Student Services Resources. Both contain significantly updated information on the use of the Goal Progress area of the IEP and will be of particular interest to Student Services users in districts already using this functionality, and those considering using it. We are working on a new resource currently on entering Goal Progress reports written from a teacher's perspective. This resource will be available soon and will be a useful companion to the existing resources.

Also, in the revised **IEP reference guide**, there is new information on the Favorites Strands (FS) functionality of the IEP. This is new information added as a result of interest expressed by implemented districts on the Student Services Users Group monthly conference call.

ISW Release

The ISW release originally scheduled for Nov 25th has been moved to Dec. 2nd.

Communications

SD6 expressed concern over the minimal communication regarding the cancellation of outages scheduled for Nov. 22nd. Several weeks earlier, SDs 5, 6, and 57 had requested specifically that the outage scheduled to occur between 5 a.m. and 12 p.m. on that day be postponed as it would impact teachers working on report cards and were told that this was not possible. It would have been good to know that the outage had been cancelled so that L1s could have passed that information on to their teachers. Eric Maitland advised that the notice regarding the cancellation had come in only on Friday. However, he acknowledged the concern and expressed regret that this had not been communicated adequately.

Children in Care

Bert van der Geest reported that a draft communication on this was circulating for review and would be coming out soon. Two new codes will be added to the system to address this area.

Wait Times

SD39 asked if any other districts were experiencing occasional lengthy wait times. When encountered in their district, they are usually able to speed things up by minimizing/maximizing the "back window" on eSIS and their concern was that there may be a disconnect between the application and the browser refresh. Some discussion ensued regarding the possibility that this might be a Java issue and SD52 advised that they leave the recommended version 5.14 installed but allow the system to install the latest versions. This seems to speed things up considerably.

Eric Maitland asked that this concern be submitted and advised that it would be sent to aal for response.

Governance*Andrew Macauley***General Information and Notifications**

Reminder for SMC reps of the upcoming conference call on Dec. 1. The agenda will be distributed shortly.

Regarding the request last week for information regarding spring break timelines from districts: thanks to those who have responded (about 20 so far). Please respond soon if you haven't already.

A message was sent out to all SMC reps re how many people would attend a users' conference next May. The deadline is this Friday. Please help us with this by responding.

The election process for SMC Executive has begun. All reps received a message last week regarding this and are asked again to please let Andrew know if you are interested in becoming an executive member.

SEWG / MRWG*Bert van der Geest***General Update and Notifications**

The MRWG met last week and the SEWG is scheduled to meet this week. Last week the MRWG discussed the November release items that have been postponed. They are having another look at the BC 1701 report for DL schools. A new CR re PSR that came in was also reviewed.

OSWG*Norm Walker***General Update and Notifications**

No report this week.