

Progress Statistics: Week of March 22 – 28, 2010

Schools in production.....	1,943
Number of active students	584,035
Number of inactive students.....	160,497
Maximum distinct user logon sessions in a day	14,703
Total distinct user logons for the week	71,538
Maximum number of reports run in a day.....	21,163
Maximum concurrent users in a day	5,525

Operations

Tim Reilly

Refreshes

The next refresh of SD Test is scheduled for April 4th.

Updates

Last Wednesday and Thursday you may have noticed a slowing down of SD Test. The problem was traced to a hardware issue, and corrected Thursday evening.

Infrastructure changes were successfully implemented last weekend in SD Test.

An update to the [Digital Security Certificates Recommendations](#) document has been posted to the ISW. To assist in the reduction of the impact or removal of the digital security certificates warnings that BCeSIS users have received since January 28th, a set of recommendations has been documented in this resource. Included as part of these recommendations, the BCeSIS team has also tested later versions on the Java Runtime environments and has verified that these work with BC's version of eSIS. Check it out at: [Technical Resource Centre > JAVA Runtime Environment > Digital Security Certificates Recommendations v1.1](#)

Maintenance Windows

April 18th is the next infrastructure maintenance window. Maintenance will include changes for April as well as postponed changes from March by request of L1s to maximize system availability after the 12.0 upgrade. The changes will require a service interruption but the work will be done between 6:00 am and noon on Sunday, April 18th.

Application Management

Dorothy Ward

We are planning for the **May release**, which will include a number of fixes. More details will be coming soon. Anyone who would like to volunteer for User Acceptance Testing, which is scheduled for approximately May 10th to 19th, please email DorothyAWard

SD61 asked for an update on the **Inactive Student record deletion** function.

Andrew Macauley responded that this is still with the SMC executive, and until there is direction from them the tool will not be available in Production, but it will hopefully be available in May. Fees will not be assessed until the end of June, at which time it will be assumed the number of records is the same going backwards.

SD44 inquired about the Delete Inactive Students functionality not being available in SD Test.

Dorothy Ward replied that when SD Test was refreshed, the associated security role was not reactivated but this would be added back this week.

Update 01-Apr-2010: This has been completed.

Cross Enrollment

SD6 asked about the new self-cross enrollment function and whether it had been implemented with the 12.0 Upgrade.

Dorothy Ward responded that code was delivered with 12.0, we have just finished analysis and a document is going to the Operations and Standards Working Group for their review, after which a communication will be prepared and distributed. In particular, the WG will be looking at determining the best time to turn the functionality on, i.e. if done before YET, districts may need to tweak existing cross enroll records. They will also be reviewing the impact on current cross enroll functionality usage.

When asked if there would be a learning event on this when it was available, Chris Wilson replied that the current determination is that a learning event would not be necessary. There is documentation prepared and ready to go, pending the outcome of the final review.

Update 01-Apr-2010: After further internal review within the BCeSIS Team, in advance of the meeting with the OSWG next week, revisions have been made to the support resources and a learning event is now being planned.

YET

SD39 asked about dates for YET.

Dorothy replied that we are currently working on a plan to establish dates, as well as documentation. Weekly YET conference calls will probably start in a couple of weeks. The YET code is due to be delivered to Fujitsu May 7th. We are also in the process of preparing the YET pages on the ISW, and should have a link from the Important Dates page sometime next week.

SD33 inquired about Alternate YET and when that would be run for DL schools. Dorothy explained that Alternate YET is run for Summer Schools only. It doesn't work for DL and other continuing course based schools. The process we've been using the past couple of years called CC (Continuing Courses) and YET, which carries continuing courses through the YET process, is run at the same time as regular YET.

Training and Support

Chris Wilson

The team has been busy with the coordination and delivery of onsite Scheduling and Student Services training. For those districts in group 5 of Student Services implementation, we will reassign security classes for your participants after the SD Test refresh (unless you indicate otherwise) so you will be able to go ahead with your implementation testing without interruption.

A reminder to districts with schools needing assistance with the Scheduling process: please submit a HEAT ticket on their behalf giving as much detail as possible. Our Scheduling trainers provide ongoing support through the Service Desk to schools needing advice or help with problem solving.

Governance

Andrew Macauley

The SMC executive will meet next Tuesday.

Referendum questions are still underway regarding changes to the Standards Manual. If you have not already participated and wish to, please go to the referendum system.

Tomorrow is the last day for funding – the Ministry is taking final declarations today and tomorrow.

We are now approaching the **five-year anniversary of BCeSIS** in Production. The first districts were implemented in April, 2005 and now just under 90% of all BC public schools are on the system, about 73% of independent schools, 14 First Nations schools, and most of the Yukon Territory.

Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard over the past five years for the success of BCeSIS!

For those who were not aware, today's conference call was the last for Bert van der Geest, who was on the original team and has participated in its support for the last 6 years. Thanks to Bert for his dedicated service on behalf of the school districts.

SEWG / MRWG

Victoria Williams

General Update and Notifications

Both working groups met last week. The SEWG started a priority-setting exercise for the upcoming fiscal year and this process will continue in tomorrow's meeting.

The MRWG met briefly to discuss existing documents including some recommended changes to the 1701 extract to more closely align the CE funding model with the currently-existing DL model. The group will meet again next week.

OSWG

Norm Walker

The OSWG continues to work on the Standards Manual, currently on sections N, O and P. If you have any suggestions for inclusion, please contact Norm Walker . _____

Norm will be in Kelowna on Thursday for a regional meeting with districts in that area.