BCeSIS
Supporting Student Achievement

Operational and Application Weekly Conference Call

Minutes for July 12, 2011

Weekly Statistics

BC Schools in production	1,996
Number of active students	635,316
Number of inactive students	208,817
Maximum distinct user logon sessions in a day	2,874
Total distinct user logons for the week	12,593
Maximum number of reports run in a day	13,381
Maximum concurrent users in a day	1,106

Operational Services *Tim Reilly*

Operations is currently supporting YET preparations, as well as ensuring hardware and software are ready for school start-up in September.

Application Management Services *Dorothy Ward*

The **StrongStart extract** was done yesterday and sent to the Ministry.

YET Test Results - Standardized Tests: Any Standardized Test records with blended and/or exam marks on the Student Standardized Test screen *will* be maintained through YET. Any record without blended or exam marks *will not* be maintained through YET. This applies to all Standardized Test records, and this information has been documented in the last section of the Preparing for TRAX Reference Guide. This applies only to past exams, as it is a clean-up process done on older records.

SD69 asked about the **June exam results** and whether they will be loaded prior to YET. At this point the Ministry has said the file will be ready July 22 or 23. We have told them July 23 is too late. We need the file by July 22 in order to load the marks before the system goes offline. Last year we were in a similar situation and the marks arrived on time, so we are fairly confident that we will receive them on the 22nd.

SD45 commented that, if the file does not arrive on time, a Historic Marks Upload would create the standardized test records. This is correct. Usually a marks upload is performed on district request via a HEAT ticket and, at this time, this is still being offered as a catalogue service with no charge. However, we will look into the number of students whose standardized test records will be affected by Summer School (Alternate) YET and we will re-address this topic on next Tuesday's call.

Reminder: the **YET pre-module to age courses** with final marks will begin Friday, July 15 at 5pm. This will run nightly from 5pm to 7am, and through the weekends, until completed. The hope is that it will cut approximately 80 hours from the main YET run, to ensure it will complete on time. Note: the system will be available while the module is running. **Update**: More information on this and other important dates/times has been posted as a News item on the ISW.

This process is somewhat random; it will complete one school at a time, but after finishing one school the next one it processes might be from another district. There is no way to know exactly which schools will be done on which dates.

Courses with Standardized Tests attached or without final marks will be skipped. SD68 commented that they had submitted a HEAT ticket excluding one school from this process and asked for confirmation that this would be completed. Robin Lau advised that yes, these schools would be excluded.

YET Health Checks are still going out. We have a couple of critical items regarding attendance tumbles and school schedules, and will be calling affected districts this week as these are items that will stop the YET run. Given the extremely tight timelines this year, we can't afford for YET to stop, so please…. when you receive a Health Check email, follow up on the information in it as soon as possible.

Functional Testing for YET is about 95% complete. There are no showstoppers, and the functionality is very similar to last year's. A Test Summary document is being prepared for posting on the ISW.

Learning Management *Chris Wilson*

The following documents were updated and re-posted in the Learning Resource Centre in the last week:

Recurring Events & Processes > Ministry Reporting > TRAX > **Preparing for TRAX Reference Guide**

Recurring Events & Processes > Student Record Management > Program Groups and Types > **Enterprise Program Types**

Training and Support > Security Training Resources > **Security Class Details Spreadsheet**

The remainder of the School Start-up Learning Events will be posted on the Learning Event Schedule this week.

Software Enhancement Working Group (SEWG) *Ian Larsson*

No update, as things are slowing down for the summer.