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**Progress Statistics: Week of October 26 – November 1, 2009**

Schools in production .....	1,680
Number of active students (not including withdrawn students, e.g. graduated) .....	485,613
Maximum distinct user logon sessions in a day .....	15,076
Total distinct user logons for the week .....	75,259
Maximum number of reports run in a day .....	19,826
Maximum concurrent users in a day .....	5,700

**Hot Topics**

***Session Terminations – New Functionality***

The SMC has been discussing changing the method used for managing the number of sessions on the system. Currently, when sessions are exited improperly or becomes unresponsive, a user has to wait up to 90 minutes before that session is considered closed. Alternate approaches have been looked into which would offer users a greater degree of control – allowing users to terminate previous sessions without waiting. This would allow users to get back into the system quickly.

By providing this option, if a user needs to terminate a current session, they no longer need a second session to ‘tide them over’ while the old session expires. If one session becomes unusable, you would be able to terminate it and start a new one.

This new functionality is being launched on SD Test today, and we are scheduling Production next week. We will also be posting usage information, what you may experience, some screen shots, common errors, etc.

We’re giving some time for Level 1s to try out this new functionality in SDTest, before it is implemented in Production, to identify further questions your users may have. We encourage you to look at it so you can advise users when they encounter it for the first time.

## Operations

Tim Reilly

### **General Information and Notifications**

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We have finished analyzing October's statistics, and there has been marked increase in activity – 30% to 45% over September in all activities.

The [Scheduled Maintenance Windows](#) page on the ISW has been updated.

This weekend there will be maintenance on the Stage 1 (Conversion) environment, and SD Test will be refreshed. The other scheduled maintenance for the month of November is posted.

A request was made by SD6 about changing the November 22<sup>nd</sup> scheduled service interruption to another day, as they will have teachers working that weekend on report cards. SD5 and 23 agreed. Tim Reilly will investigate and see if there will be any challenges in moving this to another date and will report back.

**Note:** Our Operations Manager, Tim Reilly will be away for the next couple of weeks to get married and go on his honeymoon. Silvio Tognela will oversee the Operations team in his absence.

Congratulations, Tim!

## Implementation and Support

Chris Wilson

### **Learning Events / Resource Materials**

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We are proceeding with New District Implementations with a trainer on site this month. We are also continuing with on site Pre-Schedule training with a new Lower Mainland district

On November 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> there will be an Introduction to Scheduling using BCeSIS learning event. This is a good session for new schools, new staff and/or Level 1's who would like a refresher on key components of Scheduling. You may register on the ISW for this session for whichever date is most convenient for you.

We also have Student Services Impact Analysis workshops coming up later this month.

## Application Management

Dorothy Ward

### **November Release**

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The November Release is scheduled to be implemented on November 18<sup>th</sup>. UAT is going on now – thank you again to everyone who volunteered to help with testing!

High-level release notes are posted on the ISW.

## Governance

Andrew Macauley

### **General Information and Notifications**

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This afternoon the SMC Executive will meet via telephone conference. The agenda will include identifying the business value of BCeSIS to incorporate into future planning.

## SEWG / MRWG

Bert van der Geest

### **General Update and Notifications**

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In last week's SEWG meeting they reviewed and ranked change requests. There will be no meeting this week, as there are no new items to review at this time.

## ***General Update and Notifications***

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The OSWG met last week and looked at some requests for coding changes:

- An addition was made to the Citizenship Table for refugees. This code is only to be used when government documentation is presented indicating refugee status has been granted (not for students still in the application process). There will be very few incidents when the code will be required, but when you do have someone with refugee status the code is now available.
- In the Teams and Groups Exit Table, a “requirement met” code has been added as a reason for exiting a team or group.
- In the Withdraw Codes Table there is now an Administrative Transfer code for use when a student is transferred to a different school as an administrative decision, rather than at the request of the student.

These new codes are posted on the ISW as a news item.