



ECATS

Monday Message

June 19, 2023

Special Education Module

2023–24 Plan Updates

As Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) are reviewed and updated annually the following updates should be considered for the 2023–24 school year and beyond.

Updates to test names

The test names listed in the chart will be updated in the Every Child Accountability and Tracking System (ECATS) and PowerSchool for the 2023–24 school year.

Current test name	Test name beginning in 2023–24
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs – Listening	WIDA Alternate ACCESS – Listening
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs – Reading	WIDA Alternate ACCESS – Reading
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs – Writing	WIDA Alternate ACCESS – Writing
Alternate ACCESS for ELLs - Speaking	WIDA Alternate ACCESS – Speaking

The previous test name will be accepted on the *Review of Accommodations Used During Testing* (ROA) forms until a new IEP is developed to reflect the current test name.

Public school units using third party vendors to process Section 504 or English Learner plans are encouraged to update these test names in those systems to ensure proper delivery of accommodation information.

ECATS End-of-Year (EOY) and Beginning-of-Year (BOY) Processes

EOY Process

The 2022-23 EOY Process for the Home Base suite of applications will begin Thursday, June 29. Home Base will be taken offline on Thursday at 5:00 p.m. EOY processing and archiving of data will start on Friday morning, June 30.

School year close-out files for ECATS will be pulled at PowerSchool EOY shutdown. This allows the ECATS Special Education Module and the MTSS EWS to have final data for the 2022-2023 school year including: final grades, incidents, and course information, etc.

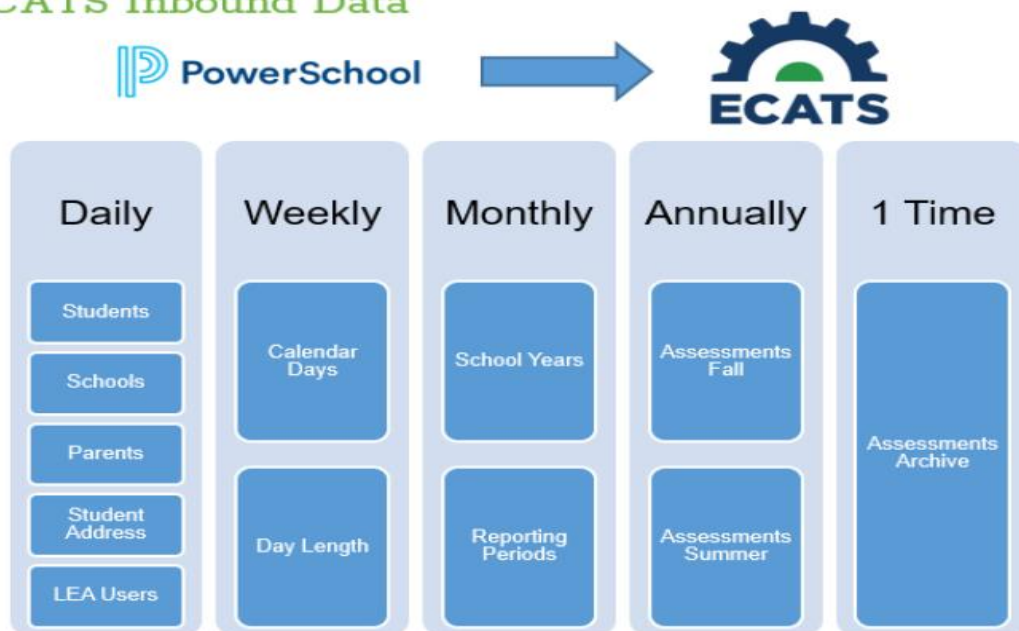
During the EOY process, ECATS will remain available for use. Please be aware that ECATS will remain available to users; however, data transfers between the systems will be turned off during this time. This means no new students will be added to ECATS, and no 2023-2024 PowerSchool data will be updated in ECATS until the EOY process is complete, EDDIE data has been imported into PowerSchool, and other data verifications have occurred.

BOY Process

Once EDDIE data has been consumed into PowerSchool and data verifications have occurred, ECATS will pull files for an initial load of data for the 2023-2024 school year. Once this process is complete, ECATS will resume its regular data file import schedule.

ECATS pulls current-year information only on the schedule shown below.

ECATS Inbound Data



Please watch for communication updates as this end-of-year process and setup for the beginning of the new school year takes place.

Federal Reporting Office Hours

As a reminder, the Federal Reporting Office Hours sessions begin at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM on the first Wednesday of each month. Please contact Khalilah O'Farrow-Boulware at khalilah.ofarrow@dpi.nc.gov if you have any questions. To join the webinar and ask any questions about upcoming federal reporting, please use the following link: <https://ncgov.webex.com/meet/khalilah.ofarrow>.

Note: This message is a repeat of the June 14, 2023 Director's Weekly Message.

Indicator 12

Indicator 12 captures data on students who received Part C services and were referred to Part B during the July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 reporting period. All students must have an IEP developed within 90 days of the referral and receive services by their 3rd birthday. Indicator 12 must be submitted via spreadsheets by all Traditional LEAs and can be accessed by clicking this link: [Indicator 12 Spreadsheet](https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptionalchildren/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/reporting) or by going to the ECATS site under Reporting (<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptionalchildren/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/reporting>). The spreadsheet has a tab with helpful clarifications to assist LEAs on entering their data and can be submitted at any time prior to the due date of October 30, 2023. Charter Schools and State Operated Programs do not need to submit an Indicator 12 spreadsheet. Only Traditional LEAs are required to submit the completed Indicator 12 spreadsheet. Please email all completed Indicator 12 spreadsheets to ecindicators@dpi.nc.gov. See the memorandum for more information. (ATTACHED)

MTSS Module

Check out our [June ECATS update](#).

After reviewing the updates, still have questions? Reach out to your [regional IABS consultant](#).

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