

Client Reporting System Changes

January 2024

Description of Change

1. Updated poverty guideline dollar amounts for 2024.
2. Clarified guidance on Former Last Name, and which one to use when a client has more than one former last name.
3. Added new Error 124 “Incompatible Veteran Code and Birth Date. No one under age 18 can be reported as a veteran.

December 2023

Description of Change

4. Updated reference to “system wide General Education course list” to be “Aligned General Education course list in Error 931, per the Office of Instructional Services guidelines.
5. Updated S5 record overview to note that the system will accept special characters in the name elements (` ~ ' “ f Š Œ Ž š ž Ÿ À Á Â Ã Ä Å Æ Ç È É Ê Ë Ì Í Î Ï Ð Ñ Ò Ó Ô Õ Ö Ø Ù Ú Û Ü Ý à á â ã ä å æ ç è é ê ë ì í î ï ð ñ ò ó ô õ ö ù ú û ü ý ÿ).

November 2023

Description of Change

1. Updated S5 Record Social Security Number element to remove requirement for pseudo-SSNs to be reported when no true SSN is available. If no SSN is available, leave this element blank.
2. Added new Error 161 “Inconsistent CASAS Test Name/Topic”. A CASAS Test Name was reported, but the Test Topic was not “Casas”. Correct either the test name or topic and resubmit.
3. Added new Warnings 26, 27 & 28. These warning reports are tools to help identify invalid SSN formats, clients with an S8 record and a blank SSN, and clients with Veteran or 2nd Chance Pell benefits indicated by Program Fee Code on the S3 record that also have a blank SSN.
4. Fixed coding on Error 520 so it works as described in the manual.

October 2023

Description of Change

5. Updated edit 659 with the list of current Midwest Student Exchange Program States used for the WTCS District of Residence Code on the S1 record. Also modified this edit to require WTCS District of Residence Code to be “MN” when the Program Fee Code on the S3 record is “85 – Minnesota”.

September 2023

Description of Change

6. Updated Client Tables to reflect current Fire Department codes (per DSPS), High School codes (per DPI), and County/Municipality codes (per DOR).
7. Updated list of current Midwest Student Exchange Program States used for the

WTCS District of Residence Code on the S1 record. Also updated edit 636 with this list of states.

8. Updated name of element Justice Involved Release Date on the S4 record to be Justice Involved: Institution Release Date. The element is intended to document the date of release from a jail or other correctional facility. It's possible to still be "justice involved" (on probation, etc) at that point.
9. Ensured that Program Fee Code 71 – Open Education Resources can be reported with any Recognized Credit Code on the S3 record.
10. Updated edit 379 to allow more Highest Grades Completed at Enrollment to be reported with certain Recognized Credit Codes:
 - a. 8A – Transcribed Credit can be reported with any grade completed
 - b. 9G – removed from this edit (see Edit 381 below)
 - c. 1A and 1B – can be reported with grades 08, 09 and 10 in addition to existing allowances for grades 11, 12 and higher.
11. Updated edit 380 to allow for any combination of Highest Grade Completed at Enrollment and Highest Credential Received at Enrollment to be reported, except that Highest Grade Completed code 01 – No Credential cannot be reported with Highest Grade Completed 12, 98 or 99.
12. Created edit 381 to align with statutory language that clients must be age 16 or older to be reported with Recognized Credit Code 9G – Compulsory Education.

July 2023

Description of Change

1. Updated language regarding pseudo course numbers and the Recognized Credit Codes (RCC) that are allowed to be reported with them. Added "6J – AP Exam" to the list of acceptable RCCs. NOTE: 6J will NOT be included in Outcomes Based Funding Measure #10.
2. Updated S2 "Economic Indicator" element to be entirely optional. No grants currently require this data, and it is not included in any reports or dashboards. The US Department of Education does not require this information, so self-reported status without any documentation is acceptable. Updated Audit Requirements section to remove this element.
3. Updated multiple edits to validate against 124-20x grants (Integrated Education and Training) to ensure clients are included on NRS reports and Outcomes Based Funding counts where appropriate: Warnings 179 & 182; Errors 433, 435, 450, 451, 452, 453, 783.
4. Updated S4 elements to indicated they are required for 124-20x grants (Integrated Education and Training) to ensure clients are included on NRS reports and Outcomes Based Funding counts where appropriate: Hours of Service for the Period, Justice Involved Release Date, Service Provided Through Grant Activity, and Grant Entry and Exit Dates.

June 2023

Description of Change

5. Updated contact name for Course and Curriculum Systems to JP.
6. Corrected references to element spaces on the S9 record under Error 006. It still referred to spaces 24-25 (now part of another element), updated to refer to spaces 30-31.
7. Removed old language from Error 515 regarding actions to take if a course is not approved after 60 days.
8. Removed old language from Error 931 that referenced programs no longer in use.
9. Expanded description of “Economically Disadvantaged” to also include plain language recommended to districts in 2022.

May 2023

Description of Change

1. Removed Program Fee Code “74” as a valid reporting option. Start College Now-Student Paid is no longer a valid code, as of FY23. Only District Paid courses meet the definition of Start College Now. Historical data will be retained in the system, but “74” is not a valid Program Fee Code for current client reporting.
2. Corrected typos on Errors 782 and 792.

April 2023

Description of Change

1. Amended error 123 to prevent Veteran status “2=Yes – Self Reporting, Not Receiving Educational Benefits” from being reported with Program Fee Codes that indicate veteran benefits were used (0A, 0E, 5A, 5E). Previously this error was also triggered when Program Fee Codes for spouses and children of veterans were reported. Since those clients are not necessarily also veterans, this edit was previously too restrictive.
2. Amended error 379 to update acceptable values for Recognized Credit Code “9C”. This is due to the RCC being reassigned to “Start College Now” several years ago and the edit not being updated at that time.
3. Removed references to “Course Options” Program Fee Code “35” and Recognized Credit Code “9K”.
4. Removed mention of “Course Options” from description of Program Fee Code “79”.
5. Updated reporting matrix for S1 record to indicate “Displaced Homemaker” is only required if the client is served under AELFA.

February 2023

Description of Change

6. Added error 123 to prevent Veteran status “2=Yes – Self Reporting, Not Receiving Educational Benefits” from being reported with Program Fee Codes that indicate veteran benefits were used (0A, 0B, 0C, 9D, 0E, 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 82).
7. Added warning 914 to notify districts when Veteran status “1=Yes – Receiving Education Benefits” is reported but no S3 records included Program Fee Codes that indicate veteran benefits were used (0A, 0E, 5A, 5E). This is a warning and not an error because it is possible but uncommon for veterans to use benefits without enrolling in courses.
8. Added warning 300 to notify districts when a client is reported with Recognized

Credit Codes indicating Dual Enrollment (1A, 1B, 8A, 8B, 9A, 9B, 9C, 9H, 9K) and the Year of High School Graduation is non-numerical (XXXX). Not reporting a valid year has the potential to impact reporting outcomes and funding.

9. Removed warning 716. This edit is unnecessary due to the widespread use of pseudo-grant numbers.
10. Removed warning 825. This edit has become unnecessary due to the commonplace nature of multi-year grants.
11. Corrected coding on error 568 to function as described in the manual. When Course Completion Status “09 – Missing Grade” is reported with any Course Grade other than “PP” or “Blank” the error is triggered.
12. Expanded error 568 to prevent Course Completion Status “99 – N/A” from being reported with any Course Grade other than “Blank”. This error only applies to Aid Codes 10, 20, 30, 31, 32, or 50.
13. Expanded warning 569 to notify districts that Course Completion Status “99 – N/A” was reported with a Course Grade other than “Blank”. This warning only applies to Aid Codes other than 10, 20, 30, 31, 32, or 50.
14. Expanded error 782 to include Appropriation Number “124” combined with Fiscal Grant Number “20X” as elements that will trigger the error when the Grant Entry Date is blank.
15. Expanded error 792 to include Appropriation Number “124” combined with Fiscal Grant Number “20X” as elements that will trigger the error when the Grant Exit Date is blank and the Continuing in Grant Activity element is “2- Client Exited Grant”.
16. Clarified language on error 379. The only “Highest Grade Completed” codes that can be reported with Recognized Credit Codes “1A” or “1B” are “11 – Eleventh Grade”, “12 – Twelfth Grade”, or “96 – Above Twelfth Grade”.
17. Updated table showing Valid Program Fee Code and Aid Code Combinations to allow PFC “53 – WIOA Federal Slotters” to be reported with Aid Codes “7x”.

January 2023

Description of Change

1. Expanded error 372 to prevent High School code “0000-0000” from being reported with recognized credit codes 1A, 1B, 8A, 8B, 9A, 9B, 9C, 9H and 9K (dual enrollment students).
2. Modified error 442 to allow clients from Foreign High Schools who are not direct enrollment students to enter any grade for Highest Grade Completed at Enrollment. This factors in that US grades are not always equivalent to foreign grades.
3. Modified error 452 to not count Hours of Attendance on S3 records when the Course Enrollment Date was June of the previous fiscal year. This accounts for Service Hours for the Period being reported on S2 records in the previous fiscal year. Also note that this error only counts hours of attendance from S3 records with Program Fee Codes 12, 13 or 53.
4. Removed references to 2-hour grant reporting minimums from errors 451, 638 and 639, since only AELFA still has a minimum reporting requirement.
5. Updated Federal Poverty Guidelines Table with 2023 values.

December 2022

Description of Change

1. Changed edit 930 from error to warning, due to increasing circumstances where re-enrollment into a program from which the client previously graduated can be allowed.
2. Clarified information about Location Code and Location of Learning Code on S3 record.
3. Update references to from “WIA” to “WIOA”.

September 2022

Description of Change

1. Updated all instances of “Incarcerated” to “Justice Involved” in the client manual Client Data System and reports are not yet updated.
2. Removed 2-hour minimum requirement for S4 records from the client manual.
3. Indicated that spaces 32-34 on the S3 record should be blank.
4. Updated hyperlinks throughout the client manual.

July 2021

Description of Change

5. Added program fee code 76-State Grant to the S3 record to capture courses funded by the State Apprenticeship Expansion grant (155-23X).

May 2021

Description of Change

1. *PENDING* Added location codes for incarceration facilities in each district. Modified location codes to allow for alpha characters.
2. Changed appropriation of GPR-Apprenticeship Forward grants from 138 to 155.
3. Updated Services Provided Through Grant Activity Code 29-Workplace to 29-Workplace Literacy to match AEFLA definitions.

January 2021

Description of Change

1. Eliminated the data element “Advanced an EFL” from the S7 record as it is not used.

August 2020

Description of Change

1. Removed the 27-month timeframe for awarding advanced standing credit under recognized credit code 1A and 1B. Replaced with “within a timeframe determined by the college.”
2. Modified edit 536 to reflect Course Credit Reporting Policy from December 2019. With limited exception for transfer credits, program-level courses have to be reported for the credit value approved in the Course Approval System.
3. Added Warning 538-REVIEW FIRE SERVICE COURSE CREDIT. Because courses with an aid code and instructional area of 47-503 are used for firefighter certification, no modification of these courses is permitted. Added fire service courses used for certification to Table F as a separate tab.
4. Added Grant Entry Date as a data element on the S4 record. Added edits:
 - 780-INVALID GRANT ENTRY DATE

- 781-GRANT ENTRY DATE AFTER EXIT DATE
 - 782-MISSING GRANT ENTRY DATE
5. Added several new codes and edits to track students participating in the state approved Ability to Benefit process.”
 - a. Students participating in the state approved Ability to Benefit process must have a S4 record submitted with grant number 199-999.
 - b. The Ability to Benefit data element at position 41 on the S1 record was inactivated.
 - c. Added program fee code 75-State Approved Ability to Benefit to the S3 record.
 - d. Added six Service Provided Through Grant Activity Code on the S4 record:
 - 50 = Orientation
 - 51 = Assessment
 - 52 = Tutoring/Academic Support
 - 53 = Developing Educational Goals
 - 54 = Counseling and Advising
 - 55 = Academic Progress and Follow Up
 - e. Added six edits:
 - 770 MISSING ATB GRANT NUMBER
 - 771 WARNING INC EXIT DATE/ATB GRANT SERVICES
 - 772 INC ATB GRANT/HIGHEST CREDENTIAL
 - 773 WARNING MISSING S9 RECORD FOR ATB STUDENT
 - 774 INC GRANT NUMBER/PROGRAM FEE CODE
 - 775 WARNING MISSING GRANT SERVICES

June 2020

Description of Change

1. Changed edit 907 from an error to a warning. This will allow a S8 record to be submitted without a S3 record if the veteran only received a supplemental payment but did not attend any classes.
2. Moved Criminal Offenders grant activity reporting from Perkins to GPR-Leadership to reflect change in funding source. S4 records for Criminal Offenders grants are still required.

May 2020

Description of Change

3. Modified the definition of Limited English Proficiency on the S1 record to match the WIOA definition.
4. Changed edit 908 from an error to a warning. This will allow a S8 record to be submitted without a S3 record if the veteran only received a supplemental payment but did not attend any classes.
5. Modified error 378 so that it does not apply to S3 records with a recognized credit code 9D or 9H. High schools can continue to provide services to seniors after a May/June graduation date.
6. Added 18 = On Parole as a Type of Facility on the S2 record. Participants who are on parole are considered incarcerated since they are still within the correctional system.

April 2020

Description of Change

1. Added ACE ID to the S3 record as an optional data element for S3 records with a 4M recognized credit code.
2. Added Proxy Hours to the S4 record to document distance education activities in ABE and ELL.
3. Added nonstandard delivery code 98=Emergency Response Instruction to be used when a course's mode of instruction unexpectedly changes in response to a public emergency.
4. Added course completion status 98=COVID19 Response to be used when a student withdraws from a course because of COVID-19 circumstances or when a district cancels a course in response to COVID-19.

March 2020

Description of Change

1. Modified edit 536 to reflect credit reporting policy from the Office of Instructional Services. Only in limited circumstances will courses be accepted on a S3 with a credit value that is not the approved credit value in the Course Approval System.
2. Added TABE CLAS-E form and D test names (test names 330-337).
3. Incorporated language from Administrative Bulletins:
 - a. 06-04 Technical College Participation in the Midwest Student Exchange Program.
 - b. 08-04 Technical College Aidability and State Reporting Requirement for Courses that Result in Advanced Standing and Transcribed Credit for High School Students.
 - c. 99-13 Distance Education Credit Generation and FTE Reporting
4. Modified consortium grant reporting so that:
 - a. Consortium grant enrollments are reported under the district submitting the S4 record in edit report CLI217-Summary of Grant Enrollments
 - b. Consortium grant enrollments are reported under the "lead" district in CLI500

October 2019

Description of Change

1. Added new program fee code 71=Open Educational Resources to the S3 record. This program fee code can be used to identify course sections where the primary textbook option is an Open Educational Resource.

July 2019

Description of Change

1. Added new program fee code 15=Second Chance Pell to the S3 record at the recommendation of the Presidents' Incarcerated Individuals Task Force.
2. Added new data element *Exclusions* to position 28 on the S2 record to comply with AEFL requirements.
3. Added two new training outcomes to the S4 record, Completed Progress Towards Training Milestones and Passed Technical/Occupational Skills Exam, to comply with AEFL requirements for Table 11.

4. Clarified language for Recognized Credit Codes starting with a 3, 4 or 5 which are used to record credit for prior learning.
5. Added Location Code 74-Study Abroad to Table C and Location of Learning codes in Table J to record study abroad courses.
6. Added new test topics and test names to the S7 record for CASAS Reading GOALS, CASAS Math GOALS, CASAS Life and Work Series (Reading and Listening) and CASAS Reading for Citizenship. Updated Table G with CASAS scale score ranges and corresponding NRS levels.

May 2019

Description of Change

1. Added a new data element for Ability to Benefit to the S1 record. This will be used to track students participating in a state-defined ability to benefit process for qualifying for financial aid.
2. Added three new data elements to the S1 record to comply with Perkins V:
 - Homeless Individual
 - Foster Care Youth
 - Youth with Parent in Armed Forces/on Active Duty

March 2019

Description of Change

1. Updated fees for FY2019-20. This includes: program and material fees, out-of-state tuition, responsible beverage fees, group dynamics fees and motorcycle training fees.
2. Added language to the Important Reminders for District Reimbursements Based on Client that clarified the policies for the 2% Fire Service Payment and detailed the process for FEMA Fire Training reimbursement. NOTE: there is no change to either the 2% Fire Service or FEMA Fire Training reimbursement process. The processes are only being documented.