

Welcome to Wednesday's Wisdom – A weekly dose of support! March 16, 2016

Announcements

Patch Releases – Check iPASS Help > [iPass Patch Release Notes](#) folder for any new releases.

- **Massachusetts: NEW iPass_Sync Release is scheduled for Friday, March 25th.** This day is Good Friday and many schools are not in session. We will be taking sites down for a NEW iPass_Synced Version Release. Please let the Support Team know if your schools will be in session that day so that we can schedule a time to apply the release. Submit an eSupport ticket with your request.
- **Pennsylvania: 7.0.20160309r_pa** – This 03/03/2016 patch release for sites fixed issues with PIMS Student Course Enrollment. [Click here for details.](#)

iPass Enhancements & Future Plans – If you missed the March User's Group Meeting WebEx it was recorded and is posted in iPASS Help > User Group Meetings > [WebEx – iPASS Enhancements & Future Plans \(March 2016\)](#). Watch the WebEx to learn about:

- On-Line Enrollment (EzSchoolEnroll)
- New User Interface for iStudent
- Lessons Plans
- Programs Module – Participation Tab
- Success Plans – Mass Update
- New Scheduling Course Add/Drop
- Course Roll Over Fixes

Focus Group for Assessments & DDMs – School districts are challenged to record, maintain, and analyze District-Determined Measures (DDMs) that assess student gains and reflect educator impact. We are looking for volunteers to help us determine how iPASS can help you meet this challenge. If you are interested in participating please email Laura Patton at lpatton@harriscomputer.com

Future User Group Meetings – Let us know what topics you would like covered in future monthly User Group Meetings. Send your input to Laura Patton at lpatton@harriscomputer.com.

Upcoming Training Sessions

Massachusetts: Register for 2-Day Scheduling Workshops – Harris School Solutions will be hosting iPASS Workshops for Middle School Scheduling for the 2016-2017 school year. Join us and learn how to use Teaming, Linking, and Master Schedule Builder as well as many other time-saving scheduling tips.

Registration is required for all courses; Courses are limited to the first 20 registrants. [Click here to register.](#)

Middle School Scheduling Workshop – Space Still Available

Dates: April 5 and May 12

[Click here for workshop details.](#)


Times: 9am to 11:30am, 12:30pm to 3pm

Location: Maynard Public Schools Administrative offices located next to the Fowler Middle School, 3R Tiger Drive in Maynard, Massachusetts



Pennsylvania: Training on Scheduling is planned for Pennsylvania. Watch for future announcements in upcoming Wednesday's Wisdom emails on date, time and location.

Harris School Solutions Product Spotlight



EZSchoolEnroll.com

You asked for it. We delivered! A simpler way to enroll a new student and easily verify emergency contact information.

We are excited to introduce our newest product, **EZSchoolEnroll.com**, to the Harris School Solutions family of products and offer it at an introductory rate, exclusively to Harris clients!

EZSchoolEnroll.com will be available this April. [Schedule your demo today!](#)



Harris School Solutions held webinars last week to introduce **College Select**, a comprehensive and interactive tool, with built-in college and scholarship matching technology, designed to help schools and families prepare students for college.

To learn more about this product and how it can benefit your high school guidance department and families, please contact Lorna Hill lbill@harriscomputer.com or visit our website at <http://harrisschoolsolutions.com/student-information-solutions/college-select/>



Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. Massachusetts: What makes a student get reported in the Enrollment Reconciliation Report?**
- A. These are students that are missing in the MA SIMS Transmission file that iPASS expects to be reported.** Running the report compares what iPASS would report in a SIMS 52 Export Legacy file for that report date (based on DOE Parameter Last Transmission Date) to what the DOE has in the SIMS Transmission download file. iPASS looks at the Primary School/Year Record (School Year, School, Grade Level), the Enrollment Record (Enrolled, Withdrawn, TRF, summer withdrawal date), and Report to DOE = Yes. Students that are NOT in the DOE's SIMS Transmission download file will be listed in the report. These students are missing in your SIF transmission.
- NOTE:** If there are summer withdrawals in the report, Support will need to push summer transfers. Submit an eSupport ticket to let us know.
- Q: Pennsylvania: How do I assign a "pull out" teacher to be reported in PA PVAAS?**
- A: Teachers can be assigned individually to students by going to Scheduling System > Modify Schedules.** Select a student and click on the Course ID# link for the related class/section. Select the pull out teacher from the "Additional Teachers" box and click the Submit button to save. If you need to adjust the dates for this additional teacher, click on the "Add Dates" link to adjust Assignment Start and End Dates *after* saving the teacher.

If you have several students pulled out for the same class, you can also access this same page by clicking on the next Student ID# from the class roster page, by using the notepad icon. [Click here for more detail.](#)