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Welcome to Wednesday's Wisdom

Your weekly dose of support!

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Support Announcements

Vocational/Technical Schools Onsite User Group Meeting – April 13

We are pleased to announce our first onsite User Group Meeting of 2017! This initial meeting is for vocational/technical schools only. The meeting will be at Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School in Marlborough, MA, on Thursday, April 13, from 10 a.m. to noon. Please register each person who plans to attend. Please complete the iPass survey (see below) prior to attending so that we know more about you and the needs of your school.

Click here to Register

Your admission to the school may be delayed or denied if you do not register.

Please let us know if there are any topics you would care to have on the agenda so that we can make the most of our time as a group. Please email your input to Sharon O'Connor at sjoconnor@harriscomputer.com no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, April 10.

Future User Group sessions will be announced in your local area very soon for iPass public, private, and collaborative schools. If you are interested in hosting a meeting at your school, please email Sharon O'Connor with some available dates in April.

iPass Survey

Harris is conducting a survey during the month of April to learn more about what your district is up to, what challenges you face, and how we can support and service you best. We would appreciate your taking a few moments to fill this out. The sooner we receive your input, the sooner we can address the needs of our users. Feel free to share the survey link with any or all of your users.

Click here to complete the survey

iPass Releases & Updates

We are preparing a patch release for the end of this month.

Please keep your eye out for a change in the version number in the lower left-hand corner of the iPass login screen. When the release is pushed out, we will have Release Notes posted in iPass Help > iPass Patch Release Notes. We will keep you posted through our Wednesday Wisdom emails.

Upcoming Events & Workshops

Register for Two-Day Middle School Scheduling Workshop

Harris School Solutions will be hosting an iPass Workshop for middle school scheduling for the 2017-2018 school year. This workshop will consist of two days of hands-on

sessions where attendees will be working in their own iPass database to schedule their schools for the 2017-2018 academic year.

Registration is required for the course; course is limited to the first 25 registrants. Click here to register.

Middle School Scheduling Workshop

Click here for workshop details.

Dates: April 4 and May 16 Times: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Location: Westford Public Schools, Central Office, 23 Depot Street, Westford, MA.

April Online User Group Meeting

The April 12 User Group meeting will be a "Review and Debrief" of the recent SIF state reporting process and the Online Course Recommendation process. While it is fresh in your mind, please join us and let us know the biggest hurdles you encountered during these processes. Let us know how recent improvements helped the process and give us input on how to improve the process for next time. We would like to know how we can improve your ability to complete these processes most efficiently and effectively. This will help us identify areas to improve and make sure we provide you with the training, documentation, and support options you need to be successful. Please join us at 1:00 p.m. on April 12.

Click here for meeting link and information.

Add-Ons

EZSchoolEnroll

Getting ready for new-student or kindergarten registration? Simplify the process by providing parents with online registration.

- Parents log in and fill in information in forms created by your district.
- Information comes into iPass for review, approval, and enrollment.
- Eliminates the need for school-based or central-based enrollment.
- Can be used to collect all kinds of information for use in other areas/products.

EZSchoolEnroll fully integrates with iPass and there is no per-student charge for this product for current iPass clients! Watch a recorded demo that has been posted in iPass Help > EZSchoolEnroll.

Professional Services

Does your school district have a need for professional development in iPass?

Do you have new initiatives that may require the purchase of a third-party software product? Meet with a Harris Professional Services expert and see how iPass can meet your needs. Harris offers several third-party products that are designed to integrate with iPass, including EZSchoolEnroll and School Rush!. Email Sharon O'Connor at sjoconnor@harriscomputer.com to schedule an appointment for a complimentary business review.

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