



# OREGON DATA SUITE

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## Updates

- **Extended Use Hours-** Our nightly builds are now starting later allowing you access to the Oregon Data Suite into the evening. The current builds for DWSouth districts are running from 6:30 pm- 7:00 am with the minor builds that won't interrupt service running for the first and last 30 minutes. If your a DWNorth district, the system will build from 8:00 pm-5:00 am. You can use the system after the evening builds begin, but it could be slow. We will continue work to shorten the build time.
- **Filtering Rollout Timeline** - New enhanced filtering coming soon! It will be simplified for the user, faster, and more powerful. We will keep you informed since the filtering functionality will change for users. The filtering will be completely redesigned, and will include new filtering options for programs and groups.
- **MWEA MAP-** We have had a request to add MAP to the At Risk metrics. This has been an issue since they don't include a benchmark or level in the download we receive. We are currently only receiving the score with no cutoff for the risk level. Newberg was able to get around this using percentiles. We will look into this and see if it's an option.
- **SchoolMaster/TylerTech-** For over a year, Tyler Tech has not responded to any of our data requests. We are asking districts to reach out to the vendor, we are missing critical data points. We will be sending an email out to those districts affected. **Update: We received a response from Tyler Tech and are working with them to update the data we receive.**
- **GPA Calculation** - We have some Student Information Systems that we are unable to pull historical GPA information from. We are working to resolve this issue and will give updates by SIS. We will need to work through calculating weighted GPA's and will work with individual districts to get this resolved. This is only an issue for new districts trying to capture historical GPA information or for students that have data entered over the summer or at the start of the school year for the previous years.

- **Attendance Build Failure Notification-** Work has started on how to get notifications out to districts when there is an attendance build issue. We are working to have this implemented by early February. From feedback we have received, the staff that have access to Accounts Management will receive notifications.
- **Removal of Outdated/Unused Reports & Metrics-** Old metrics and reports that are not being used will be discontinued. We will not remove anything districts are using! Metric and Report descriptions will be updated at this time.
- **Prioritization of new development-** We are getting so many requests for new development that we need to come up with a better way to prioritize. Receiving feedback and comments from districts would be helpful and we will work on a way to implement this. We want to make sure that we are prioritizing development of reports and metrics that best meet our districts needs.
- **Survey-** Surveys have been sent out to all of our districts asking for feedback about Oregon Data Suite. We appreciate you taking the time to complete them.  
Thank you!

## Feature Highlights

- **New Look Feedback-** Districts like the look but had some frustrations with functionality when it first came out, those issues have been resolved. Districts are hoping they get more users with the new look. Some users are experiencing slowness when using the filters and with metrics loading. This was addressed following the meeting and has been resolved. Please always let us know when you are experiencing issues.
- **Account Management-** The look is new, the functionality has remained the same. Access to Students has replaced the ToolBox tab and Access to Features now has everything available on one page so you no longer need to select multiple tabs. We have removed the ability to assign rights to multiple users at one time. This can be accomplished by creating a user role then assigning that role to individual users. Please contact us if you need more information about this feature.

## Discussion

- **District Defined & User Customized Pages-** Work on improving your dashboard pages has begun! You will soon have the ability to have both district defined pages that can't be modified, and user defined pages that can be modified. We will have an icon that distinguishes what type of page, district or user defined, you are viewing. District system administrators will have the ability to create and maintain the content and order of the district defined pages; users will have read only access to these pages. Users would be able to copy and modify district defined pages or create their own. The functionality of creating, changing, and selecting metrics for user defined pages will be enhanced. By mid February we should have most of these new features available. The ability to lock down pages will take a little longer. When we roll this out, we will let you know in advance so districts can communicate the changes to staff since this could create duplicate pages. **Update: We've experienced a slight delay in completing this feature. We anticipate rolling this out by the end of February.**
- **Metric Update-** Metrics will be updated to auto adjust for better readability of the metric content. Printing will be a consideration as we move forward with these changes.
- **Chronic Absenteeism Nudge Letter -** We have created 2 new attendance letters called Nudge Letters. The 1st version is available under Reports>Pre Defined>Pilot/Test, Nudge Letter Export. You will need to select your criteria and use a mail merge to complete the letter. The 2nd version is a Nudge Letter that includes fields you can populate and an attendance graph. We will continue to work on these letters as we receive feedback. Please submit feedback with any ideas you have. **Update: We now have a Fall and Winter version of the Nudge letter, as well as a Spanish version of the Fall letter. We are working on including the student mailing address on the letter to allow for the address to appear in an envelope window.**
- **Revision of Reports Module-** Cleanup on the reports module will start soon. We want them to be organized for the user by creating a favorites folder or having the most recently used reports at the top, we will continue to get your feedback as we move forward. Reports that are no longer used will be removed.

**Meeting Dates for 2018-19** (8:30-10:30 am online)

April 24, 2019

August 14, 2019, tentative

Host: Robin DeLoach, WESD

In Attendance: Jolly Dhruv, MESD; Travis Johnson, Toney Svay, Shannon Badger, Bill Verant, Joe Hamilton, WESD; Megan Parrish, Klamath County; Andy Ehlert, Gresham-Barlow; John Lynch, Carrie Overton, David Douglas; Donna Rethati, St Helens; Maria Fuhrmann, Newberg; Brigetta Martell, Forest Grove; John Nielson, WESD; Anna Piper, Alex Popescu, NWRESO; David Bousquet, McMinnville; Tami Schild, NWRESO.

**From all of us at Oregon Data Suite, thank you for attending.**

