Creating a Successful District/School Level Data Team

"Sharing knowledge between Districts"

Dougherty County School System

Building a great community, one student at a time!

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Dougherty County School System About Us

The Dougherty County School System is the leading catalyst and advocate for public education in Southwest Georgia. We are the largest school system in the second congressional district.

- District Profile By the Numbers:
- District-Wide Graduation Rate: 86%*
- Number of 4-5 Star Schools: 16
- Number of Schools "Beating the Odds": 12**
- Student Demographics
 - 14.133 students
 - 89.6% African-American; 5.4 % Caucasian; 5.0% Other
 - 81% economically disadvantaged students
 - 10% students with disabilities
- Accreditation
 - Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
 - Accredited with Quality by the Georgia Accrediting Commission (GAC)
 - Tops state average
 - **Beating the Odds schools are schools that did statistically better on the College and Career Readiness Performance Index than their peers

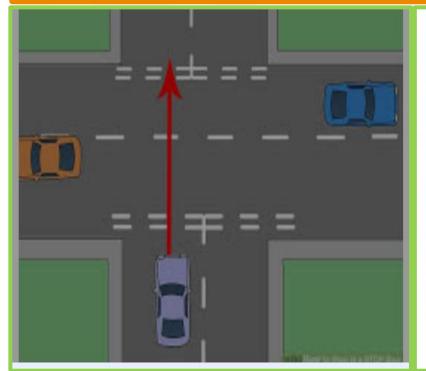


Schools/Programs

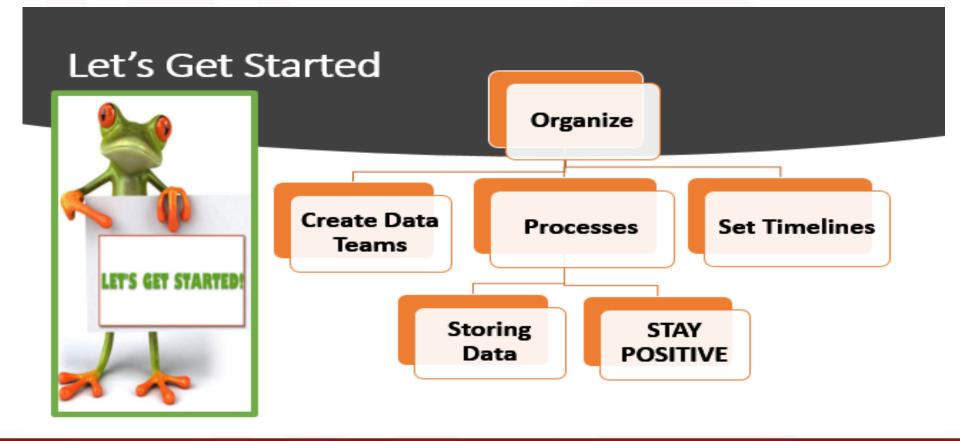
- 1 Pre-K Program
- 13 Elementary Schools
- 4 Middle Schools
- 3 High Schools
- 6 additional Programs including a College & Career Academy



IMAGINE a world without Rules/Processes/Procedures......











Organize your District -Starts with an Idea

In our case we came up with an idea on how to make the Schools, Programs and Directors accountable for their data.

OWNERSHIP OF YOUR DATA: The first thing we did was create School, Program and District Level Data Teams.

Organize your District —District Level Data Team



What is a District Level Data Team?

- A District Level Data Team is comprised of employees who handle student records and other reports on the district side of things.
 The Team members are selected based on their Director/Coordinator/Supervisor.
- Examples of District Level Data Team members: Director of Exceptional Students, Director of Curriculum, Director of GNETS, Director of Student Support Services, Director of Finance, Director of Human Resources, Gifted Coordinator, Technology Department etc... The District Level data team will have members from all departments, not just departments that deal with Student Information.



Organize your District — School Level Data Team



What is a School Level Data Team?

 A School Level Data Team is comprised of employees who handle student records. The Team members are selected by the Principal.

 Examples of School Level Data Team Members: Principals (including AP's), Records Clerks, Registrars, Counselors, Graduation Coach, Attendance Clerks, Lead Teachers.



Organize your District —Program Level Data Team



What is a Program Level Data Team?

- A Program Level Data Team is comprised of employees who handle Student Records within the program. The Team members are selected by the Program Director.
- Examples of Program Level Data Team Members: Director, Records Clerks/Registrars, Counselors, Lead Teachers.



District Data Team Processes-Computer Lab

It is imperative to provide Data Teams time to work on State Reporting errors and warnings without interruption.

The Technology Department assists by setting up computer labs to provide teams with unobtrusive time to work on their errors and warnings.



Action:

- Emails and calendar invites are sent with dates the lab will be open for support.
- A computer lab is designated for teams to work on State Reports within designated dates.



District Data Team Processes-Required Webinar



The District Data Team facilitates webinars through out the year before each State Reporting Window.

Actions:

- Emails and Calendar Invites are sent to data teams.
- District Directors/Supervisors/Coordinators disseminate information and give updates on new State mandates.
- Webinar power point and recording are made available to District.



District Data Team Processes-*District Data Team Review*

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SY2018 FTE CYC	LE (2) DISTRICT DATA TE	AM REVIEW				
SIGN OFF SHEET						
Date:	School Name/Program:	School Name/Program:				
Title:	Name:					
	t to review your school's FTE/Student Clasupervisor will sign off. Please return to a Team Member					
Gifted						
Exceptional Students						
ESOL/Migrant/EL						
Attendance/Behavior						
REP						
Scheduling/EIP/REP Dual Enrollment/ Social Services						
Information Technology						
CTAE						
SY2018	STUDENT CLASS CYCLE Team Member Team	(2) Member Signature				
Attendance Scheduling/Dual Enrollment						

The District Data Team facilitates a District Data Team Review several times a year. The Review allows the District Level Data Team the opportunity to review School Level and Program Level data.

- Principals and Programs are <u>required</u> to attend and bring their data teams.
- During the review all Errors/Warnings are addressed.
- A sign off sheet is issued to each School/Program Level Team. The teams meet with each Departments assigned District Level Team member.

Actions:

- ✓ Receive Sign Off Sheet
- ✓ Teams visit each department: Errors and warnings are addressed during the review.
- ✓ Sheets must be signed off by a District Level Team member.

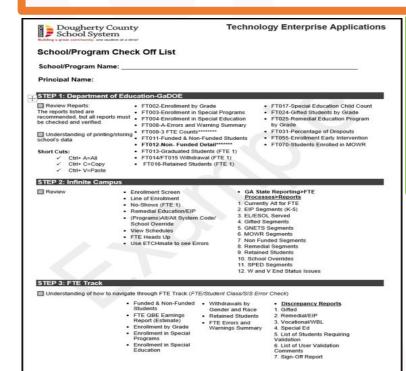
 This serves as verification that all data has been reviewed.
- ✓ All Sign Off Sheets are sent to the Superintendent as verification of participation.



Information Technology

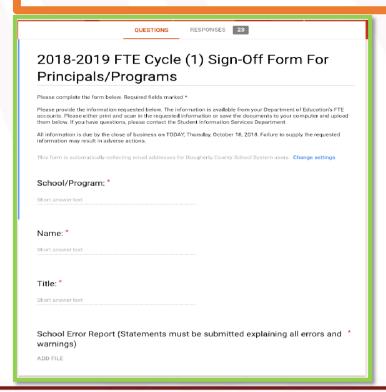
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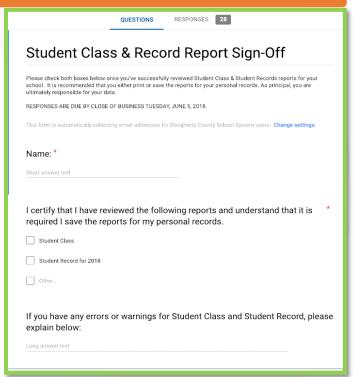
District Data Team Processes-District Data Team Review



The Technology Department uses an additional check off list as a guide to ensure each person has a clear understanding of the tools/reports that can be used to check data.

District Data Team Processes-Required Principal's Sign Off







District Data Team Process-Superintendent's Sign-Off

- After final review of data-the District Data Team informs the Superintendent that the District is Ready for Sign off.
- All Schools/Programs/Directors with remaining errors/warnings at sign off are required to submit a comment. The IT Department does not guess on what to say.







-Tools for Success

Contact your Student Information Vendor to assist with data reports

- EIP Segments
- EL/ESOL Served
- FTE Overrides
- Gifted Segments
- MOWR Segments
- Nonfunded Segments
- Remedial Segments

- Retained Students
- School Overrides
- SPED Area Served
- SPED Level 1 and 3 Check
- SPED Related Hours
- SPED Total Service Minutes
- W and V End Status Issues
- Update SPED FTE Tabs from IEP

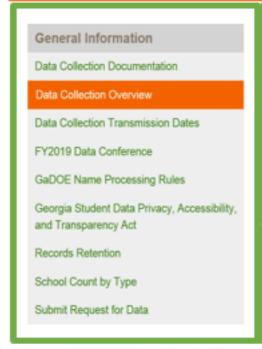




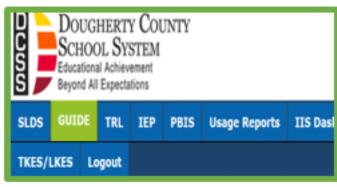
Utilize Tools
DOE Portal/SLDS



Department of Education/SLDS







FTE Mair	n Menu
Transmission Cycles	Current Documentation
FTE Menu for October 2, 2018 (FTE 2019-1)	 FTE File Layout
FTE Menu for March 1, 2018 (FTE 2018-3)	 FTE Updates
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District Data Team-Timelines



Set Timelines/Checks and Balances

Our district's internal timelines are set weeks before an actual State deadline.

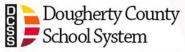
Setting internal deadlines allows the Superintendent,
Directors, Supervisors and Coordinators time to review School
level/Program level records before the Superintendent signs
off on data.





District Data Team-Timelines

Collection	Cycle	Start Date / Count Date	Initial Transmission Deadline	Duplicate Record Deadline
Student Class (SLDS profile)	1 (A)	Wednesday, July 17, 2019	n/a	n/a
GUIDE	n/a	Thursday, July 11, 2019	n/a	n/a
Pre-ID	2	Thursday, September 5, 2019	n/a	n/a
Pre-ID	3	Tuesday, January 7, 2020	n/a	n/a
FTE Data Survey	1	Tuesday, September 10, 2019	n/a	n/a
FTE	1	Tuesday, October 1, 2019	Tuesday, October 8, 2019	Tuesday, October 15, 2019
FTE	3	Thursday, March 5, 2020	Thursday, March 12, 2020	Thursday, March 19, 2020
CPI	1.	Tuesday, October 1, 2019	Tuesday, October 8, 2019	Tuesday, October 15, 2019
CPI	2	Thursday, March 5, 2020	Thursday, March 12, 2020	Thursday, March 19, 2020
CPI	3	Thursday, July 9, 2020	Thursday, July 16, 2020	n/a
Student Class	Oct	Tuesday, September 24, 2019	Tuesday, October 8, 2019	n/a
Student Class	Mar	Thursday, February 27, 2020	Thursday, March 12, 2020	n/a
Student Class - End of Year	Jun	Thursday, May 7, 2020	Thursday, May 14, 2020	n/a
Free & Reduced Meal	1	Tuesday, November 5, 2019	n/a	n/a
Private School - Cleanse	1	Tuesday, August 27, 2019	n/a	n/a
Private School	1	Tuesday, November 5, 2019		n/a
Student Record - Data Cleanse	1	Wednesday, September 4, 2019	n/a	n/a
Student Record	n/a	Wednesday, February 5, 2020	n/a	n/a
Student	100000	Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, February 12, 2020	Wednesday, April 1, 2020
Enrollment		Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, February 12, 2020	Wednesday, April 1, 2020
Special Education		Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, February 19, 2020	n/a
Student Safety		Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, April 1, 2020	n/a
Program		Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, April 15, 2020	n/a
Address		Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, April 22, 2020	n/a
System		Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, April 22, 2020	n/a
School		Wednesday, February 5, 2020	Wednesday, April 22, 2020	n/a
EOPA	1	Opens following Student Class Signoff	n/a	n/a



Garbage In/Garbage Out-Timelines



- ✓ DO NOT wait until the last minute to work on your school's errors
- ✓ Rushing to complete reports will cause you to enter "GARBAGE"
- ✓ Stay organized
- ✓ Work on errors daily/share the task of correcting errors/cross train
- ✓ Use reports and Quick Reference Guides to assist you with correcting your data



 "GARBAGE OUT" Failure to plan and stay organized will result in possible loss of funding and can affect CCRPI points.





Teach Data Teams How to Fish...

Data Teams are encouraged to receive additional support by attending scheduled labs.



Each Reporting period, the IT Department and District Level Data Team facilitate labs to assist the Schools and Programs. During this time Schools and Programs are able to work on their data in a quiet productive environment.

Remember-as a District Data Team member you should not modify records. You should teach the School Level and Program Level Data Teams how to correct their own data (How to Fish).

Teaching OWNERSHIP and how to take PRIDE in their work.





Teach Teams How to Store Data



Storing Data-is not an option

As a part of our protocol, after each reporting period we have a training on Storing Data.
 We stress to our district that Information Technology is not responsible for storing data.

Actions:

- ✓ Email/Calendar Invites are sent to district teams informing them of storing data training.
- ✓ Data Storing training facilitated by a District Certified Trainer.
- ✓ Data is stored based on deadlines set by the District Data Team.
- ✓ NEW: This year we will randomly audit School's/Programs to ensure data is being stored.
- Note: Using shared Team drives ensures that if an employee leaves, you still have access to the stored data.







What makes a Successful Data Team to you?





Stay Positive-You can do this.....

It's easy to get frustrated and discouraged with all of the many task and responsibilities you have. But, if you stay organized and follow processes that are put in place you will be fine.

You're not alone! Utilize tools and collaborate with other people doing the same job as you.



Let's REVIEW-Follow the Processes..



- ✓ Create Data Teams
- ✓ Send constant correspondence —errors and warnings
- ✓ All teams must attend labs to receive assistance with error correction
- ✓ All teams must take part in Required Webinar
- ✓ All teams must take part in the District Data Team Review
- ✓ All Principals and Programs must Sign-Off on their data
- ✓ Superintendent Signs-Off on data
- ✓ Save Data



Questions







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