

Colorado SIS Users Group Steering Committee Meeting Minutes from July 27th 2009

Location: Aurora Public Schools

Attendees:

School Districts: Academy, Aurora, Boulder Valley, Brighton, Centennial BOCES, Eaton, Falcon, Greeley, Jefferson County, Littleton, Woodland Park

CIC: Steve Bohlander

Infinite Campus: Kim Schroeder

Fall Users Day: September 14th Aurora Public Schools

We were pleased to have Steve and Kim in attendance for a portion of our meeting.

District Sharing and General Information

Parent Signature line on ALP:

Many districts use the Infinite Campus ALP (Advanced Learning Plan) module. This is not part of the default product, but can be purchased for a small fee (approximately \$600). Currently there is no signature line for the parents on the form that is printed. Ann Godfrey from Brighton wanted feedback from other districts to see if we could get agreement on having Infinite Campus update the form to include a parent signature line. The cost would be \$300.00. What is not known is if this is a one-time cost and then this would be available for all districts or if it would cost \$300.00 per district to implement and install. Some of the districts in attendance brought up a concern that they may NOT want a parent signature line or that they may want an option to turn it on or off. Sue Warrick from Littleton is going to contact Infinite Campus to see what is possible. More updates to come regarding this issue.

Student Growth and Achievement on Portal (CGM):

Student Growth and Achievement is part of the CSAP Results and it is a detailed color report. This information is required by districts to be distributed to parents. The issue is how to get this 2-page color report to parents and staff without printing out color copies which are expensive. The idea would be to load this data and have it be available through the Parent/Student Portal. If this is something that we as the CSIS Users group agrees that we want this data to be presented via Portal, then we need to create a proposal and list our requirements for Infinite Campus so they can implement. Infinite Campus is required to implement all State Reporting requirements, but CSAP Data is Assessment data and does not fall under the same requirements as End of Year or October Count. We would all be curious as to what other districts may be considering to push this data out to their parent community i.e., SQL Report

Services Report or other mechanism. Please contact Sue Warrick SWarrick@lps.k12.co.us if you have any ideas or suggestions.

Colorado Localization Documentation

Currently there is no Colorado Localization Documentation on the Infinite Campus Website. Colorado Localization Documentation would provide information on fields that are for Colorado version of Infinite Campus. Also, the documentation would provide a mapping to fields in IC and how they relate to state reporting. Patty Roundy is going to contact Infinite Campus to get this documentation available on the Infinite Campus Website.

Moodle Integration with Infinite Campus

Moodle is a free Learning Management System (LMS) that many districts use on a limited basis. Academy and Douglas County School Districts have been working on a joint project to fully integrate Infinite Campus with Moodle – Authentication, Courses, and users (Staff, Students and Parents). Academy is complete and Douglas County is close with the implementation. These are the first School Districts in the nation to integrate the two products. This is very exciting not only because of the collaboration, but what this will mean for all School Districts. Academy School District will demonstrate Moodle at the Fall Users day in September. If you have further questions please contact Guy at guy.mcpherson@asd20.org

Testing/Assessment Data/State Reporting

DRA Test data for CBLA. Boulder Valley will share their DRA Test Score Data Entry process with all users at the Fall Users Day in September.

If your District has upgraded to 2010.1, the assessment import process/wizard has changed. Cindy Kidwell and Kathy Green from Centennial BOCES will host a training session Assessment Setup / Import – What's New in 2010.1? There are other topics training topics as well. For information on the class please contact Cindy Kidwell (ckidwell@cboces.org)

The VE-135 Report does not work in Infinite Campus pre 2010 versions. Most of the Districts have likely figured this out and have already submitted the report. In Infinite Campus 2010, this seems to be fixed (though it was too late for most of us).

Upgrade to Infinite Campus 2010.1

Several of the school districts in the state have upgraded to 2010.1 in the last month. The version seems to be stable and no major issues have been found. This is a relief to many who are getting ready to upgrade. There have been numerous fixes to Special Ed. The graduation tab is new, but overall the look and feel is consistent with past releases. Most of your end-users will not notice any changes. Please make sure you turn off race/ethnicity in System Administration if you are not ready to start capturing the new state requirements for Race/Ethnicity – requirements don't go into effect until 2010/2011 school year. Also reported is the use of the single quote mark for a Health office visit. Either don't use the single quote or use double quotes.

Shoutpoint with Infinite Campus and Alert Now implementations:

Woodland Park School District is getting ready to implement Shoutpoint. Brighton has just implemented Alert Now. Shoutpoint is a product packaged with Infinite Campus for Messenger services and Alert Now is a separate product that integrates with Infinite Campus and performs the same tasks (with the addition of being able to send SMS Text Messaging). IC Shoutpoint is about \$3.50 a student and Alert Now is \$2.25 a student. Besides Brighton, Academy and Littleton are also using Alert now (there may be others as well).

Infinite Campus with Active Directory

Currently Falcon and Eaton School Districts have successfully integrated Infinite Campus with Active Directory 7.0. This integration was available previously with Infinite Campus, but did not work until more recent updates. If you would like to learn about this, please contact Von at Falcon or Jerry at Eaton.