

Migrant News

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Annual Training

All ESC-20 Migrant staff has been trained on the new NGS Guidelines and ID&R Regulations for 2009-2010. There are some changes and there is a new Certificate of Eligibility (COE) for the year.

Districts must be implementing the new COE by September 1st. Please plan to attend the annual training as required by the state.

Recruiters must attend the Identification & Recruitment Training (ID&R) prior to completing the new COE.

NGS Data Specialists must attend the New Generation System (NGS) Training to encode for 2009-2010. In addition, the ID&R training is highly recommended in order to become familiar with the New COE.

Eligibility Reviewers/Administrators must attend ID&R, NGS and the Eligibility/Administrator Training prior to conducting eligibility verification and signing COEs.

See calendar of events for training dates. If you have any questions, please call Veronica Alvarez at 210-370-5426 or email veronica.alvarez@esc20.net ■

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 2009



- ☒ **AUGUST 4-5, 2009**
ANNUAL ID&R TRAINING (EAGLE PASS)
TIME: 8:30 – 3:30 AUGUST 4
TIME: 8:30 – 11:30 AUGUST 5
LOCATION: DE LUNA TECHNOLOGY CENTER
- ☒ **AUGUST 7, 2009**
ANNUAL NGS TRAINING (ESC)
TIME: 8:30 – 3:30
LOCATION: ESC
- ☒ **AUGUST 10-11, 2009**
ANNUAL ID&R TRAINING(UVALDE)
TIME: 8:30 – 3:30 AUGUST 10
TIME: 8:30 – 11:30 AUGUST 11
LOCATION: EL PROGRESO LIBRARY
- ☒ **AUGUST 11, 2009**
ANNUAL ELIGIBILITY REVIEWER TRAINING (UVALDE)
TIME: 1:00 – 4:00
LOCATION: EL PROGRESO LIBRARY
- ☒ **AUGUST 12, 2009**
ANNUAL NGS TRAINING (UVALDE)
TIME: 8:30 – 3:30
LOCATION: EL PROGRESO LIBRARY
- ☒ **AUGUST 13-14, 2009**
ANNUAL ID&R TRAINING (ESC)
TIME: 8:30 – 3:30 AUGUST 13
TIME: 8:30 – 11:30 AUGUST 14
LOCATION: ESC

PLEASE VISIT ILEARNING FOR DETAILED INFORMATION

Register for sessions through iLearning at:

<http://www.esc20.net/workshop>

Please bring your 2008-2009 ID&R & NGS Manual and binder to the training, updated materials will be provided.



Migrant Student Information Exchange (MSIX)

UPCOMING DEADLINES:

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON DEADLINES PLEASE REFER TO PAGES 5-7 OF THE NGS IMPLEMENTATION REQUIRED SCHOOL/DISTRICT ESC ACTIVITIES.

- Facility Updates & Contact Information**
Entry into NGS: Campus forms by August 3, 2009; Summer contact by June 1, 2009
- TAKS**
Submission to Terminal site: For families who move during summer
Entry into NGS: After TAKS download run missing TAKS report
- Supplemental**
Submission to Terminal site: June 30
Entry into NGS: July 31
- Summer Enrollments/Withdrawal/**
- Supplemental/Health Data**
Submission to Terminal site: see guidelines
Entry into NGS: see guidelines

MONTHLY DISTRICT REPORTS:

- District, Unique, Priority for Services & Continuation of Services

REPORTS SENT TO ESC (VIA NGS):

- Missing TAKS
- Unique (Summer)
- Graduation Plan (without)

NGS INFORMATION:

- Each NGS should stamp all incoming data.
- Districts must never delete enrollment lines.
- Notify the ESC for enrollment line deletions.

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The MSIX agreement has been signed. More information will be available during the annual certification training. ■

New Generation System (NGS) Updates

As of July 13, 2009 some of the NGS screens will change to reflect the new COE. If you will be entering in a COE, continue to enter all the applicable information. The order of the information may be different.

NGS will also have new enhancements. All updates and enhancements will be reviewed at the Annual NGS Training.

MAS will be added to the supplemental program. If your district is using MAS please encode after July 13, 2009. If you have already encoded as Math Plus you must delete and encode the data accurately. If your district is using Math Plus, please call the ESC to discuss how to encode supplemental.

For more information please call or email, Jose Guereca, 210-370-5488 or jose.guereca@esc20.net ■

New COE

The US Department of Education (USDE) has created a standard national COE that all states will be required to use for the 2009-2010 school year to record the State's eligibility determination for each individual child for the Migrant Education Program. New COEs have been ordered and will be distributed once received. Recruiters and eligibility reviewers must receive the annual training prior to recruiting and reviewing COEs for school year 2009-2010. Full implementation will be September 1, 2009. ■

Reminders

- As new COEs are picked up during the summer months write 2008-2009 for the school year if using the OLD COE.
- Start family first contact early.
- Call End of Eligibility families to verify if they did or did not make a new move this past summer.
- Encode, enroll & withdraw all summer student data prior to the new school year.
- Check all ICR indicators prior to August 1, 2009. Keep documentation on file.

Close Up

Each year ESC-20 sends students to Washington, DC to have an opportunity to learn about our nation's capitol and build leaders in our migrant students. The entire institute is not only a learning experience, but students also "live and learn" with students from across the country.

This year ESC will be choosing students early. Students and District personnel will hear more information during our Leadership Academies and how to apply.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our ESC-20, Migrant Counselor, Patricia Martinez. ■

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q: When can I enroll families into NGS?

A: Families who were with your district from the previous year must be asked the following question prior to adding any enrollment lines on NGS. ***Did you make a new agricultural or fishing move?*** Based on the information obtained will determine if a recruiter will need a new COE or if family can be entered into NGS using pre-existing information. Most refer to this as first contact. First contact can be done in person or by phone call. **NOTE:** If the family needs a New COE, a recruiter must conduct the interview in person and complete the COE. The family will not be able to be entered into NGS and NO enrollment lines will be added until the eligibility process is complete.



Q: Is First contact the same as Residency Verification?

A: No. First contact is usually done prior to the school year starting (July/August). Residency Verification is done after September 1st. Residency Verification verifies if a family lives in the school district between the reporting period of September 1 – August 31. First contact should be done **prior** to Residency Verification.



Q: Do I have to write all the children down on the COE?

A: Yes. Children who have met all the criteria for the Migrant Program that are within P0 and under age 22 are eligible for the MEP and must be written on the COE.



Q: What is TEAs "The Weekly Recruiter"?

A: The Weekly Recruiter" is the Texas Migrant ID&R and NGS Listserv which began serving migrant staff members throughout Texas in June of 2005. Information, tips and reminders are included in each week's edition as an additional resource in providing ongoing technical assistance and quality control for the Texas Migrant Education Program.



Q: How do I subscribe to "The Weekly Recruiter"?

A: Go to <http://list.tetn.net/>, choose "Texas Migrant ID&R and NGS List" from the dropdown and click on the "Join or Leave" button. At the second screen, enter your e-mail address and name and click on the "Join the List" button. ■