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ASCENDER Administration Release Notes - 6.0

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ASCENDER Release 6

ASCENDER 6.1300

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District Administration > Maintenance > Non-Employee

Added the **TSDS Staff Type** field to indicate whether an individual is on the district payroll, is a contracted professional staff person (instructional and non-instructional), or is a teacher employed at an in-district charter campus by an organization that has been granted a campus charter. This field automatically defaults to *3 - Contracted Professional Staff* for non-employee records.

The **TSDS Staff Type** options are based on the TSDS staff type database table for the selected **School Year for PEIMS Codes** on the Payroll > Tables > District HR Options page. The following options are available:

- *3 - Contracted Professional Staff*
- *4 - In-District Charter Prtnr Campus Teacher* - This option is only available if the **School Year for PEIMS Codes** field is set to 2023.

Note: Although the **TSDS Staff Type** field is not available for viewing or editing purposes in Personnel, the database column automatically defaults to *1 - School District Employee* for all employee records created in Personnel.

Prior Release Notes for ASCENDER 6

[Update: 6.1005](#)

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District Administration > Tables > District Information > District Name/Address

- Corrected the issue that caused an error to occur when trying to save changes.
- Removed the **Contracted Instructional Staff** section as it is not functional.
- Added the following fields:
 - **Total Nbr School Board Requests**
 - **Total Cost School Board Requests**

The screenshot shows the 'District Information' form with the following fields and values:

- Year:
- Buttons: Retrieve, Save
- Tabs: DISTRICT NAME / ADDRESS (selected), CAMPUS NAME / ADDRESS, PAYROLL FREQUENCIES, REPORTING CONTACT
- Print button
- District Name:
- District County Name: District Type:
- District Website:
- District E-mail:
- ESC Region Number: ESC County District Number:
- Street Nbr: Street Name:
- City: State: Zip: +
- Phone: Fax:
- Superintendent:
 - Title First Middle Last
- Total Nbr School Board Requests:** (circled in red)
- Total Cost School Board Requests:** (circled in red)

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District Administration > Tables > District Information > Campus Name/Address

Added the **Exclude from reporting to TEA** check box to exclude specific campus records from TEA reporting.

The screenshot shows the 'District Information' page in the ASCENDER Administration software. The page has a green header with a home icon and the text 'Tables > District Information' on the left, and a dropdown menu with 'District Adm' on the right. Below the header, there is a 'Year' field set to '2022', a 'Retrieve' button, and a 'Save' button. The main content area is divided into five tabs: 'DISTRICT NAME / ADDRESS', 'CAMPUS NAME / ADDRESS' (which is selected), 'PAYROLL FREQUENCIES', 'REPORTING CONTACT', and 'SHARED SERVICES ARRANGEMENT'. Under the 'CAMPUS NAME / ADDRESS' tab, there is a 'Campus' dropdown menu set to '001 - 001 School', and buttons for 'Retrieve', 'Add', 'Delete', and 'Print'. Below this, there are several form fields: 'Campus ID' (001), 'Campus Name' (001 School), 'Street Nbr' (1407), 'Street Name' (001 Street), 'City' (Alamo City), 'State' (TX - Texas), 'Zip' (95095), 'Phone' ((555) 628-9635), and 'Fax' ((555) 628-7492). At the bottom of the form, there is a checkbox labeled 'Exclude from reporting to TEA:' which is circled in red.

District Administration > Maintenance > Non-Employee

Added the **Begin Date** and **End Date** fields allowing users to enter a begin and end date non-employees. These fields were also added to the Non-Employee Report.

District Administration > Workflow > Approval Path

Corrected the issue that prevented the **Duplicate From Existing** option from functioning.

District Administration > Workflow > Approval Rules

Removed *Grants and Projects* from the **From** and **To Workflow Type** drop downs in the Duplicate pop-up window as it is not applicable.

District Administration > Utilities > Assign Travel Accounts

Added a report to preview travel account code changes. The default sort is by campus and then dept (if available).

District Administration > Reports > DA00100 - End User License Agreement Report

Added this report to provide a list of users with their EULA acceptance status and the acceptance date (if applicable) by application (ASCENDER, CareerPortal, EmployeePortal, MemberPortal, and TeacherPortal).

Date Run:		End User License Agreement Report				Program: DA00100	
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Application	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	ID/Emp Nbr	User Name	EULA Accepted	EULA Accept Date
ASCENDER	ADMIN	ADMIN		1	ADMIN	Accepted	8/1/21 12:00 AM
ASCENDER	Admin	District		16	ADMIN246812	Not Accepted	
CareerPortal	Admin	Master		138	madmin	Accepted	2/7/22 10:35 AM
CareerPortal	Fonds	Jane		167	jfonda	Not Accepted	

* indicates deleted ASCENDER Enterprise or inactive TeacherPortal users

> End User License Agreement Report
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District Administration Reports

- [DA00001 - User Profile Report](#)
- [DA00100 - End User License Agreement Report](#)

DA00100 - End User License Agreement Report

Parameter Description	Value
Select Application(s), or blank for ALL	<input type="text"/>
Users with an unaccepted EULA (Y), or blank for ALL	<input type="text"/>
Include deleted users for ASCENDER Enterprise? (Y/N)	<input type="text" value="Y"/>
Include inactive users for TeacherPortal? (Y/N)	<input type="text" value="Y"/>

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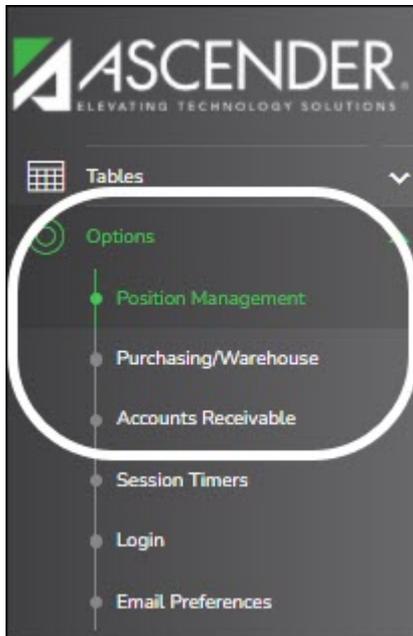
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District Administration > Options

Renamed the following menus:

- PMIS District Options was renamed Position Management
- Purchasing Options > Current Year was renamed Purchasing/Warehouse > Current Year
- Purchasing Options > Next Year was renamed Purchasing/Warehouse > Next Year
- Accounts Receivable Options was renamed Accounts Receivable



District Administration > Workflow > Approval Rules

Modified the duplicate functionality to improve the user experience.

- Renamed the **Duplicate** link to **Duplicate From Existing**. In the Duplicate pop-up window, the following changes were made:
 - Renamed the **Current Approver** field to **From Approver**.
 - Renamed the **Target Approver** field to **To Approver**.
 - Reordered the display of the fields as follows:
 - **From Workflow Type**
 - **From Approver**
 - **To Workflow Type**
 - **To Approver**

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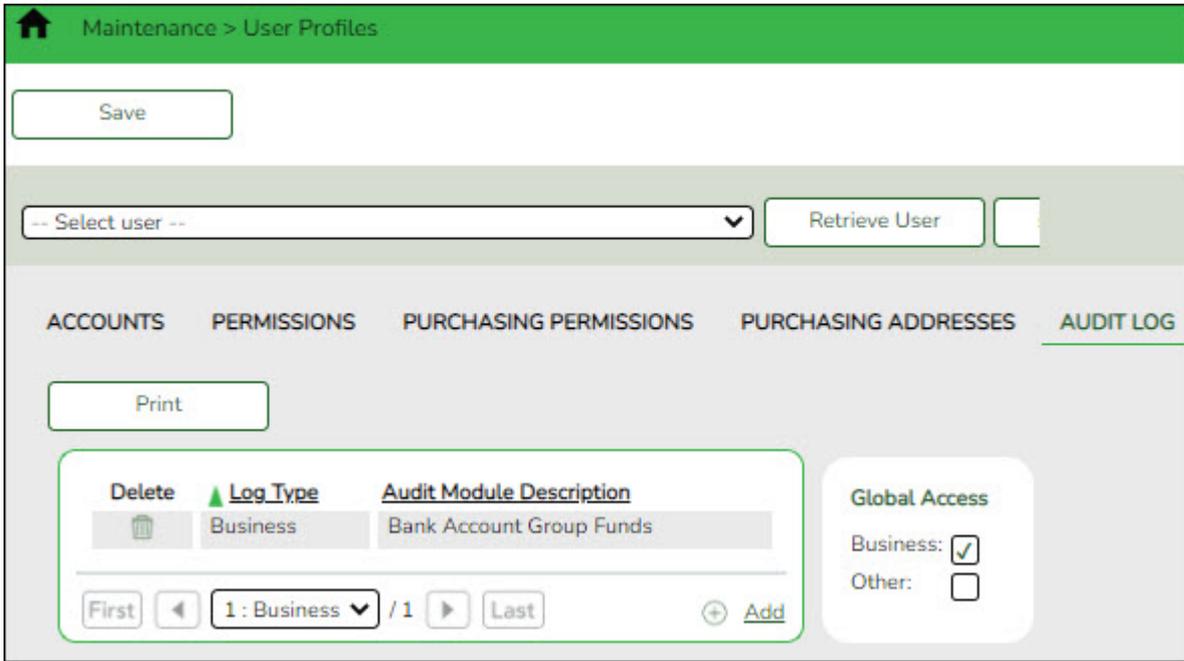
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District Administration > Tables > District Information > Reporting Contact

Removed transmitter control code (TCC) validation from the ACA file creation process.

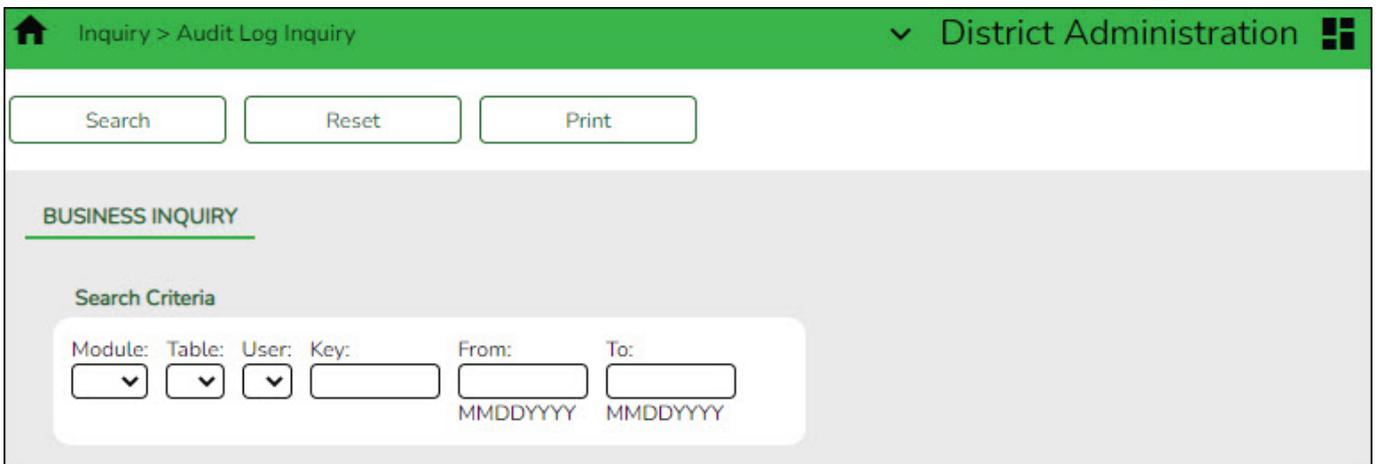
District Administration > Maintenance > User Profiles > Audit Log

Added this page to allow LEAs to manage user access to audit logs. LEAs can limit users to specific audit logs or provide users with global access to a specific system(s) (i.e., Business, Other).



District Administration > Inquiry > Audit Log Inquiry > Business Inquiry

Added this page to view and print audit log records for the Business system.



Security Administration > Utilities > Audit Log Inquiry

Updated all EmployeePortal module descriptions with the “EP” prefix to denote that the change (update, insert, delete) originated from EmployeePortal.

Updated all MemberPortal module descriptions with the “MP” prefix to denote that the change (update, insert, delete) originated from MemberPortal.

Corrected the MP Manage Users module to display the user's name instead of DBA.

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Security Administration

- Corrected the program to include the Payroll > Utilities > Import WorkJournal Requests page.

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District Administration > Maintenance > User Profiles

- Added the **Employed** and **Terminated** check boxes to the User Directory (**Lookup User** button) to narrow the directory search by employee status.



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