ASCENDER Administration Release Notes

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ASCENDER Release 8

ASCENDER 8.0800

Release Date: 4/16/2024 **ASCENDER Update**: 8.0800

District Administration > Utilities > Annual Student Data Rollover

❏ Modified the utility to clear the **Excessive Unexcused Absence** date on *Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > Demo3* for the new school year when the other Truancy Indicators are cleared.

❏ Modified the utility to clear TeacherPortal table SR_CRS_ASSGN_COMNT in for the new school year.

❏ Corrected TeacherPortal category errors some users received when they did not select the **Clear Categories** option for a campus when running the utility.

❏ Modified the utility so TeacherPortal **Report Card Skills** (Elementary Report Cards > Manage Elementary Skills Based Report Cards) will be retained for the new school year.

❏ Corrected an issue with the utility that caused some students to be on the Dropped Student list even though the student had an *Active Code = 1* and were fully scheduled at their Next Year Campus.

❏ Modified the utility to add code that will correctly determine if 0/00 default records should be created for specified tables and columns.

TSDS Parallel

❏ Created a scheduled job to remove old API errors until Extract and API are controlled within

ASCENDER.

TSDS Extract

❏ Corrected the property for *contractedInstructionalStaffFTEExts*.

Prior Release Notes for ASCENDER 8

ASCENDER 8.0750

Release Date: 3/22/2024 **ASCENDER Update**: 8.0750

TSDS Parallel

❏ Corrected the issue that caused a *-6 Error* to display on the **TSDS Extract Error Report** on the following extracts. It is possible that other scenarios may inadvertently cause the *-6 Error* to occur. TCC will investigate additional scenarios as they are reported.

- Enrolled Student Ed Org Association Extract
- Student Special Education Program Report Attendance Extract
- Extended School Year Services Attendance Extract

TSDS Extracts

Course Transcript

❏ Corrected the issue that caused some users to receive a "Duplicate record error" when extracting a course transcript when a student has completed 2 courses with the same service ID in the same semester.

❏ Modified the program to extract the 0 descriptor (C067-RegionalDaySchoolProgramForDeaf) to the Student Attendance staging table.

Staff > StaffEducationOrganizationAssignmentAssociation

❏ Corrected the issue that caused the Level 1 Error: Validation of 'StaffEducationOrganizationAssignmentAssociation' failed. Validation of 'AggregateExtensions' failed. StaffEducationOrganizationAssignmentAssociationStaffServiceSets (TX) requires at least one object in the collection.

Enrolled Student Ed Org Association Extract

❏ Updated the program to increase performance of the extract.

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ASCENDER 8.0700

> **Release Date**: 3/1/2024 **ASCENDER Update**: 8.0700

District Admin > Inquiry > TSDS Level 1 Errors

❏ Modified the page to add the latest date from the API transfer.

❏ Updated the *CTE Program Reporting Period Attendance* extract to perform more efficiently.

TSDS Parallel

❏ Corrected the issue that caused a *-6 Error* to display on the **TSDS Extract Error Report** on the following extract. It is possible that other scenarios may inadvertently cause the *-6 Error* to occur. TCC will investigate additional scenarios as they are reported.

- CTE PGM Association

TSDS Extracts

Teaching and Learning > Course:
❏ Corrected the issue that caused *CourseOffering* load errors due to missing **Course** records.

Student:

❏ Corrected an issue with the extract so it will no longer report duplicate students in the error log.

Finance:

❏ Corrected the Finance actuals extract for PEIMS Midyear reporting.

Student Identification and Demographics

❏ Corrected the issue that caused the *Student Parent Association* extract to show an incorrect record when modifying a student's Primary Contact from a non-parent/guardian to a different contact.

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ASCENDER 8.0605

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

❏ Corrected the TSDS Ed Org > School extract to not include campuses that are marked **Exclude from reporting to TEA** on *Campus Name/Address*.

District Administration > Options > TSDS > Connection

❏ Updated an error message from *Connection: Information provided does not validate to TEA for submission year XXXX* to *Connection: Information provided does not validate to the host specified for submission year XXXX.*

TSDS Parallel

❏ Corrected errors on the Finance > PayrollExt Entity caused by not having the Staff > StaffEducationOrganizationEmploymentAssociation Entity due to a missing hire date.

❏ Corrected the following error on the Staff > StaffSchoolAssociation Program Descriptor: 400 BAD Request "Message" Unable to resolve value "url://tea.texas.gov ProgramAssginmentDescriptor#03 to

an existing" ProgramAssignmentDescriptor'resource.

❏ Corrected the Student Identification and Demographics : Student Parent Association extract to only extract contacts with Parent/Guardian selected.

❏ Corrected the issue that caused an error when reporting changes to the **ESC County District Number** field.

❏ Corrected the issue that prevented the TSDS Extract Errors report from functioning as intended.

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District Administration > Tables > District Information > Shared Services Arrangement

❏ Renamed the **Shared Services Arrangements Amounts** section to **Shared Services Arrangement Member Amounts** and added the **Member District ID** field.
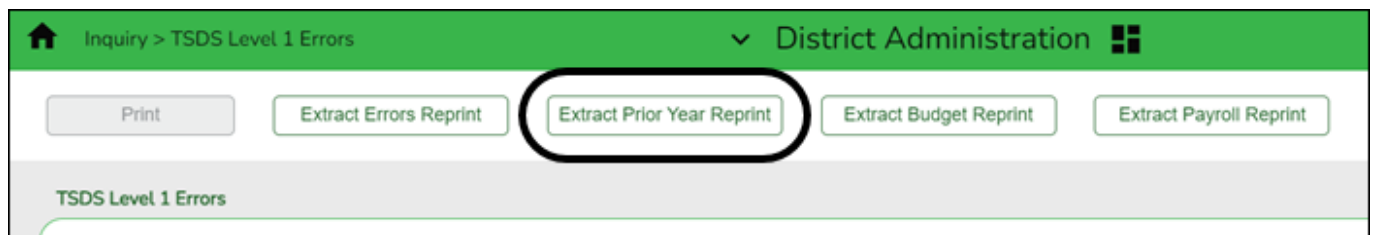
District Admin > Inquiry > TSDS Level 1 Errors

❑ Corrected an issue with the *Discipline Domain Level 1 Error Report* that caused the report to not generate.

❑ Modified the Finance Domain > SharedServiceArrangementExt Entity to extract as follows:

- EducationOrganization
- SSAMemberDistrictId
- SSAType
- FiscalYear
- ActualAmount
- SSAFund

❑ Modified all TSDS Level 1 Error reports to display and print in landscape orientation by default.

❑ Modified the page to add the **Extract Prior Year Reprint** button.

TSDS Parallel

❑ Corrected the following Level 1 Errors:

- EDFI Student Education Error Transforming Data and Inserting into EDFI Staging Table (EDFI_STU_ED_ORG_RESP_STG)
- Extract processed but failed TSDS Extract Batch Process processed but failed with stored procedure error. Please provide server.log file.

❑ Corrected the issue that caused a *-6 Error* to display on the **TSDS Extract Error Report** on the following extracts. It is possible that other scenarios may inadvertently cause the *-6 Error* to occur. TCC will investigate additional scenarios as they are reported.

- Course Extract
- Course Offering Extract
- CTE PGM Association
- CTE Program Reporting Period Attendance
- Discipline Action Extract

- Discipline Incident Extract
- Enrolled Student Extract
- Finance Budget Extract
- Parent Extract
- Prior Year Leaver Extract
- Section Extract
- Special Programs Reporting Period Attendance Extract
- Staff Ed Org Assignment Association Extract
- Student Discipline Associations Extract
- Student Education Organization Responsibility Extract
- Student Language Instruction Program Extract
- Student Parent Association Extract
- Student Program Extract
- Student School Association Extract
- Student School Attendance Event Extract
- Student Section Association Extract
- Student Special Education Program Association Extract

❏ In order to comply with TEA, some extracts have been modified to no longer extract the TEA deleted 0/00 descriptors. This will cause the API to no longer send the data element.

In testing against the TCC version of the iODS, TCC has discovered some of the data elements are required and will continue to trigger a Level 1 Error.

TCC is waiting on guidance from TEA.

❏ Updated the Budget and Payroll URI Descriptors to correct the following Level 1 Errors:

- Error: EdFi.Ods.Api.Services.Controllers.TX.BudgetExts.BudgetExtsController - MESSAGE: Post System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations.ValidationException: Validation of 'BudgetExt' failed. BudgetFunctionDescriptorId is required. BudgetFundDescriptorId is required. BudgetObjectDescriptorId is required. BudgetProgramIntentDescriptorId is required.
- Error: EdFi.Ods.Api.Services.Controllers.TX.PayrollExts.PayrollExtsController - MESSAGE: Post System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations.ValidationException: Validation of 'PayrollExt' failed. PayrollFunctionDescriptorId is required. PayrollFundDescriptorId is required. PayrollObjectDescriptorId is required. PayrollProgramIntentDescriptorId is required.

The URI Descriptors for Budget and Payroll were updated follows:

Budget:

	Namespace
1	uri://system.texas.gov/BudgetFunctionDescriptor
2	uri://system.texas.gov/BudgetFundDescriptor
3	uri://system.texas.gov/BudgetObjectDescriptor
4	uri://system.texas.gov/BudgetProgramIntentDescriptor
5	uri://tea.texas.gov/BudgetFunctionDescriptor
6	uri://tea.texas.gov/BudgetFundDescriptor
7	uri://tea.texas.gov/BudgetObjectDescriptor
8	uri://tea.texas.gov/BudgetProgramIntentDescriptor

Payroll:

	Namespace
1	uri://system.texas.gov/PayrollActivityDescriptor
2	uri://system.texas.gov/PayrollFunctionDescriptor
3	uri://system.texas.gov/PayrollFundDescriptor
4	uri://system.texas.gov/PayrollObjectDescriptor
5	uri://system.texas.gov/PayrollProgramIntentDescriptor
6	uri://tea.texas.gov/PayrollActivityDescriptor
7	uri://tea.texas.gov/PayrollFunctionDescriptor
8	uri://tea.texas.gov/PayrollFundDescriptor
9	uri://tea.texas.gov/PayrollObjectDescriptor
10	uri://tea.texas.gov/PayrollProgramIntentDescriptor

❏ Modified the program to include Finance Prior Year Actuals in the Ed-FI Extracts.

ASCENDER 8.0400

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District Administration > Tables > District Information > Fund Balances

❏ Added this new tab to manually enter prior year ending fund balances (3XXX) as reflected on schedule C-1 of the audit to be used for the ActualExtension complex type during TSDS Mid-Year reporting.

IMPORTANT:

- Pilot LEAs will use this tab to manually enter prior year fund balances (3XXX).
- Non-pilot LEAs will continue to handle prior year fund balances (3XXX) in State Reporting.

District Administration > Options > Login

❑ Modified the **Password Expiration (in days)** field to only allow values 1-180. Zero is no longer a valid value.

District Administration > Maintenance > Non-Employee

❑ Added the **TSDS Unique ID** button. This functionality works in conjunction with the Texas Student Data System (TSDS). TSDS uses web services for Unique ID and for the Data Transmission Utility (DTU) allowing ASCENDER to interact directly with their Unique ID application to assign Unique IDs.

Before the **TSDS Unique ID** button can be used in ASCENDER, the LEA's designated TEAL user must obtain web service access.

District Administration > Inquiry > TSDS Level 1 Errors

❑ Added the following three buttons to allow the reprint of the extract reports from the last instance of TSDS Processing. These reports are not resent to the TSDS email distribution lists.

- **Extract Errors Reprint** - Reprints the TSDS Extract Errors report.
- **Extract Budget Reprint** - Reprints the TSDS Budget Data Extract report.
- **Extract Payroll Reprint** - Reprints the TSDS Payroll Extract report.

Update: 8.0305

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☐ Updated the **EDFI Extract Error** report to only report one day of errors.

☐ Added the county district number to the email subject line of the report.

Update: 8.0200

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District Administration > Options > TSDS > Connection

☐ Modified the program to validate TSDS credentials upon saving the record. If validation is not passed, the record is not saved and the following message is displayed: "Information provided does not validate to TEA."

Update: 8.0100

ASCENDER 8.0100

Release Date: 9/11/23 **ASCENDER Update**: 8.0100

District Administration > Tables > LEA News

☐ Added this page to allow LEA personnel to add and manage important news, announcements, or upcoming events, and display them on the ASCENDER Homepage Quick View dashboard. Each news entry includes a start and end date, a summary (topic), and a description. Additionally, if needed, entries can be limited to a specific audience based on their permission to an application and breadcrumb (menu item).

District Administration > Options > TSDS > Options

❏ Added validation to display a message indicating that at least one email address is required for each distribution list (**Finance Extract Distribution List**, **Personnel/Payroll Extract Distribution List**, **TSDS Extract Errors Distribution List**) if the Connection tab contains information.

District Administration > Options > TSDS > Connection

❏ Added validation to display a message indicating that at least one email address is required for each distribution list (**Finance Extract Distribution List**, **Personnel/Payroll Extract Distribution List**, **TSDS Extract Errors Distribution List**) on the Options tab if this tab contains information.

District Administration > Utilities > Annual Student Data Rollover

❏ Updated the program to add Child Care Operation Number tables to the Annual Student Data Rollover (ASDR) process.

❏ Corrected an issue with the program that caused the utility to stop running and give the user an *Execute fail* message.

❏ Corrected an error when performing the **EXECUTE** step that caused the utility to stop and give the user an unexplained error message.

❏ Corrected the issue that caused the ASDR extract to fail when a student has multiple records for the IGC Program (State Reporting > Options *Local Program for IGC Reporting*) on Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment Local Programs.

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