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ASCENDER Release 11

ASCENDER 11.0210

Release Date: 10/16/2025 **ASCENDER Update:** 11.0210

Finance > Utilities > End of Month Closing

☐ Modified the program to display the TSDS extract message at the beginning of the EOM closing process for accounting period 10. The message notifies users that once accounting period 10 is closed, the TSDS Budget and Payroll extracts will be paused until the Fiscal Year Close process is completed. Displaying the message earlier gives users the option to cancel the process and keep the period open.

Finance > Utilities > Mass Change Account Codes > Mask Crosswalk

☐ Removed this utility from Finance due to increasing challenges over time including:

- Functionality issues
- Conflicts with Ed-Fi integration
- Lack of an audit trail

For additional information, review the Business announcement (*Upcoming Change: Discontinuation of Mass Change Account Codes (Mask Crosswalk) Utility in ASCENDER Finance*) sent September 15, 2025.

Personnel > Maintenance > Staff Demo > Responsibility

☐ Modified the program to allow employees to have multiple responsibility records for the same year, provided that each record has a different **Staff Service** value.

☐ Added validation to the **Monthly Minutes** field to default to 00000 if left blank.

☐ Added validation to the **# of Students** field to default to 0 if left blank.

Maintenance > Staff Demo Personnel

Save

Employee: 000013 : AGUILAR, ADELA Retrieve Directory

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION CREDENTIALS VERIFICATION INSURANCE SERVICE RECORD RESPONSIBILITY

Delete	Details	Year	Campus	Staff Classification	Staff Service
		2026	001 - 001 School	002 - Art Therapist	SA000004
		2026	001 - 001 School	002 - Art Therapist	SA000003
		2026	001 - 001 School	003 - Assistant Principal	SS003000

Add

School Year for PEIMS Codes: 2026

Job Code:

Campus: 001 001 School

Co-op/SSA LEA:

Staff Classification: 002 - Art Therapist

ESC/SSA: School District Employee

Staff Service: SA000004 - Interpreting Services Provider

SPED Student Age Range:

Pop Served: 01 Regular Students

Monthly Minutes: 00000

of Students: 0

Begin Date: 09-02-2025

End Date: 00-00-0000

❑ Modified the TSDS extract to allow multiple responsibility records to be extracted (as defined on the Responsibility tab). However, a known issue may cause -6 errors during extraction if records are submitted and then changes are made to the **Campus**, **Staff Classification**, and/or **Begin Date**.

Personnel > Utilities > Mass Update > Responsibility

❑ Modified the program to correctly update records based on the new allowance of multiple rows for a school year on the Personnel > Maintenance > Staff Demo > Responsibility tab.

Process Cancel

Date Run: 10-11-2025 10:36 AM
Cnty Dist: 001-904

Responsibility Mass Update Report
ISD

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Frequency: 5

Emp Nbr	Employee Name	Campus	Co-op/SSA LEA	Staff Classification	Staff Service	Begin Date	End Date	From	To
000001		001		002	SA000003			2025	2026
000001		001		002	SA000004			2025	2026

End of Report

Personnel > Reports > Personnel Reports > HRS1250 - Employee Data Listing

☐ Modified the **Staff Responsibilities** section to display multiple rows if an employee has more than one responsibility record defined for a school year on the Personnel > Maintenance > Staff Demo > Responsibility tab. This change is effective in both Payroll and Personnel.

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Personnel > Maintenance > Employment Info

☐ Added the following fields to align with TSDS Web-Enabled Data Standards:

- **TRA Teaching Experience** (YearsTRATeachingExperience (E3129)) - Indicates the number of verifiable years of teaching experience as a classroom teacher as described in TEC §48.158.
- **TRA Eligibility** (LEADeterminedTRAEligibility (E3130)) - Indicates the local education agency (LEA) has determined the teacher (StaffClassification is 087) is employed by a school system and teaches not less than an average of four hours each day, in an academic instructional setting or a career and technology educational setting.

Maintenance > Employment Info Personnel

Save

Employee: 000013 : AGUILAR, ADELA Retrieve Directory

Termination Date: 00-00-0000
Extract for TSDS: ☐
Termination Reason:
Eligible for Re-hire: ☐
Percent Day Employed: 100%
Pct Day Employed Effective Date: 08-01-2023

Highly Qualified: ☐
Year Round: ☐
Extract ID: SEP 10 MONTH EMPLOYEES
Highest Degree: 1 Bachelor's

Take Retiree Surcharge: ☐
NY Take Retiree Surcharge: ☐

Years Experience
--Professional--
Total: 16
In District: 13
Prior Teaching: 3
Creditable Year of Service: ☐

--Non-Professional--
Total: 05
In District: 05

Electronic Consent
W-2:
1095:

Service Record
Full Semester: ☐
Grades Taught:

Contract Information
Class: T TEACHER
Term: 09 TENURED CONTRACT (CC)
Year: 09 MORE THAN 5 YEARS

Extended Le
Begin: 00
End: 00

TRA Years Experience
TRA Teaching Experience: 0
TRA Eligibility: ☐

Auxiliary Role ID
Delete Auxiliary Role ID Begin Date End Date

Paraprofessional Certification
Delete Para Cert Begin Date End Date

Prior Release Notes for ASCENDER 11

[Update:11.0203](#)

ASCENDER 11.0203

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Personnel > Maintenance > Staff Demo > Credentials

☐ Corrected an issue where employee termination dates were causing ECDS Fatal: 30040-0049 and setting the PK_TEACH_REQMNT to null for Business-only and non-employees.

[Update:11.0200](#)

ASCENDER 11.0200

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Personnel > Tables > WorkJournal > Options

☐ Corrected the error message that occurred when trying to update the **Time Conversion** table.

[Update:11.0100](#)

ASCENDER 11.0105

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Accounts Receivable > Utilities > Print Invoices

☐ Corrected an issue where selecting invoices for printing and clicking the CSV or PDF icon caused an Internal Server Error to occur. While invoices could be posted, they could not be printed or saved for mailing.

Personnel > Utilities > Texas Unique Staff ID Interface > Staff ID Export

☐ Corrected the UID export file to display the date of birth (DOB) in the required format, MM/DD/YYYY instead of MM-DD-YYYY.

[Update:11.0100](#)

ASCENDER 11.0100

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Personnel > Utilities > Texas Unique Staff ID Interface > Staff ID Export

☐ Modified the Unique ID export file to use the long name fields. Also, modified the **TSDS Unique ID** buttons located on the Personnel > Maintenance > Staff Demo and District Administration > Maintenance > Non-Employee pages to use the long name fields.

Payroll > Tables > Tax/Deductions > TRS Rates

☐ Modified field labels to include new rate descriptions that align with TRS terminology. Both the existing and updated labels will be displayed on the page until all label changes are implemented system-wide. The changes are as follows:

The screenshot shows the 'Tables > Tax/Deductions' section with the 'Payroll' tab selected. The 'TRR RATES' tab is active. The 'School Year' is set to 2025. The 'Delete' and 'Print' buttons are visible. The 'Employer Paid' checkbox is also present.

EXEMPTIONS	INCOME TAX	FICA TAX	UNEMPLOYMENT	TRR RATES	ANNUITY RATES	WORKERS' COMP	DEDUCTION CD
<div> <input type="button" value="Delete"/> <input type="button" value="Print"/> </div>							
TRR Rate	Member Retirement Contribution:			<input type="text"/>	Employer Paid: <input type="checkbox"/>		
TRR Insurance	Member Care Contribution:			<input type="text"/>			
District Rate	State Contribution:			<input type="text"/>			
TRR Care Rate	Federal TRR Care:			<input type="text"/>			
TRR Care Emplr Contrib	RE TRR Care Contribution:			<input type="text"/>			
TRR IRS Salary Cap:				<input type="text"/>			
TRR Non-OASDI Rate	Public Education Employer Contribution (PEEC):			<input type="text"/>			

- **TRR Rate** (Added **Member Retirement Contribution**)
- **TRR Fee** (Removed this field as it is no longer applicable)
- **TRR Insurance** (Added **Member Care Contribution**)
- **District Rate** (Added **State Contribution**)
- **TRR Care Rate** (Added **Federal TRR Care**)
- **TRR Care Emplr Contribution** (Added **RE TRR-Care Contribution**)
- **TRR IRS Salary Cap** (No change)
- **TRR Non-OASDI Rate** (Added **Public Education Employer Contribution (PEEC)**)



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