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Corrected various pages in the following applications to only display the **Provide Feedback** link once:

- Budget
- Finance
- Payroll
- Personnel
- Position Management
- Purchasing

Finance > Maintenance > Vendor Information > Vendor Miscellaneous

Modified the **Copy from Payroll** button functionality to use the Finance bank code instead of the Payroll bank code.

- If the bank code does not exist in Finance, an error message is displayed prompting the user to add a new bank code in Finance.
- If the employee does not have a bank record in Payroll, an error message is displayed informing the user.

Corrected the **Copy from Payroll** button to only display if the vendor and employee SSN records are valid and match.

Corrected the program to display the vendor number and name in the **Vendor** field at all times. Previously, the vendor number no longer displayed after changes were saved to other fields on the page.

Finance > Maintenance > Create Chart of Accounts

Corrected the issue that prevented account codes with a 99 function code and an 8XXX object code from being created.

Finance > Maintenance > Postings > Check Processing-PA & Check Processing-

PO

Corrected the trashcan icon to remain displayed when adding a new line item.

Finance > Maintenance > Postings > Journal Actual

Added the **Ignore for Grants and Projects** check box to the Duplicate JV pop-up window to ignore JV entries for the Grants and Projects application. This check box is only enabled if duplicating an Actual JV transaction.

Finance > Inquiry > GL Inquiry > GL Inquiry

Corrected transaction and balance issues within the spyglass pop-up window.

Finance > Inquiry > GL Inquiry > GL Account Summary

Corrected the spelling of Revenue in the Estimated and Realized Revenue column headings on the report preview and PDF.

Finance > Utilities > Out of Balance Correction

Corrected the program to prevent incorrect balances to be calculated and saved.

Finance > Utilities > Positive Pay Export

Corrected the export to prevent the value in the **Vendor Name** field from being used as the **Pay To** value if a DBA or Remittance Name and Address is available when using the Pending Payables and the PO/PA processes together. Previously, a single check transaction was separated into two transactions and although the check numbers were the same, the Pending Payable transaction amounts were populated with the value from the **Vendor Name** field on the Vendor Information page and the other transaction amounts processed through PO/PA were populated with the value from the **Vendor Remittance** field.

Finance > Reports > Finance Reports > Vendor/Purchase Order Reports > FIN2100 - 1099 Forms

- Per IRS requirements, updated the 1099-MISC/1099-NEC forms/instructions and all 1099-MISC/1099-NEC functionality to support the 2021 tax year.

Grants and Projects > Tables > Manage Users

- Corrected the **Module** column in the database to display GRT2160 Manage Users when adding or updating grant type information for a user.

Grants and Projects > Maintenance > Member Grants > Grant Maintenance

- Corrected various user interface issues to improve the user experience.
- Corrected the **Module** column in the database to display GRT3010 Mbr Grant Maint for deleted transactions.

Grants and Projects > Maintenance > Approval Dashboard

- Corrected the **Module** column in the database to display GRT3020 Approval Dashboard for approved/returned transactions.

Payroll > Tables > District EP Options

- Corrected the issue that prevented changes to the **W-2 Information** message field from being successfully saved and displayed in EmployeePortal.

Payroll > Maintenance > Calendar YTD Data > Calendar YTD

- Added the following **FFCRA Payment** fields for the 2021 calendar year:
 - **EPSLA Regular**
 - **EPSLA Two-Thirds**

- **EFMLEA**

Payroll > Maintenance > Calendar YTD Data > W2 Inquiry

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- **EPSLA Regular**
- **EPSLA Two-Thirds**
- **EFMLEA**

Payroll > Next Year > Copy CYR Staff to NYR & Copy NYR Staff to CYR

Added the **TRS Retiree Exception** field to the process and preview report.

Payroll > Payroll Processing > TRS Processing > Payroll History

Corrected the program to retrieve pay date information for the TRS month instead of the pay date month.

Payroll > Utilities > Import HR tables from Database Tables

Added a new WorkJournal Comparison Report to display a list of WorkJournal records that were imported but no longer exist as payroll transmittals due to the import.

Payroll > Utilities > Import WorkJournal Requests

Modified the program to prevent WorkJournal request records from being selected if the job code no longer exists on the employee's master job record.

Payroll > Reports

Corrected the email content (subject/body) to mirror the letter case entered by the user. Previously, all letters were converted to uppercase.

- HRS1250 - Employee Data Listing
- HRS1650 - Employee Salary Information
- HRS2050 - Proof List of Payroll Transactions
- HRS2500 - Wage and Earning Statement
- HRS2600 - Employee Substitute Report
- HRS3500 - YTD Wage and Earning Statements
- HRS6400 - Salary Verification Report

Payroll > Reports > Personnel Reports

Added the **Creditable Year of Service** field to the following reports:

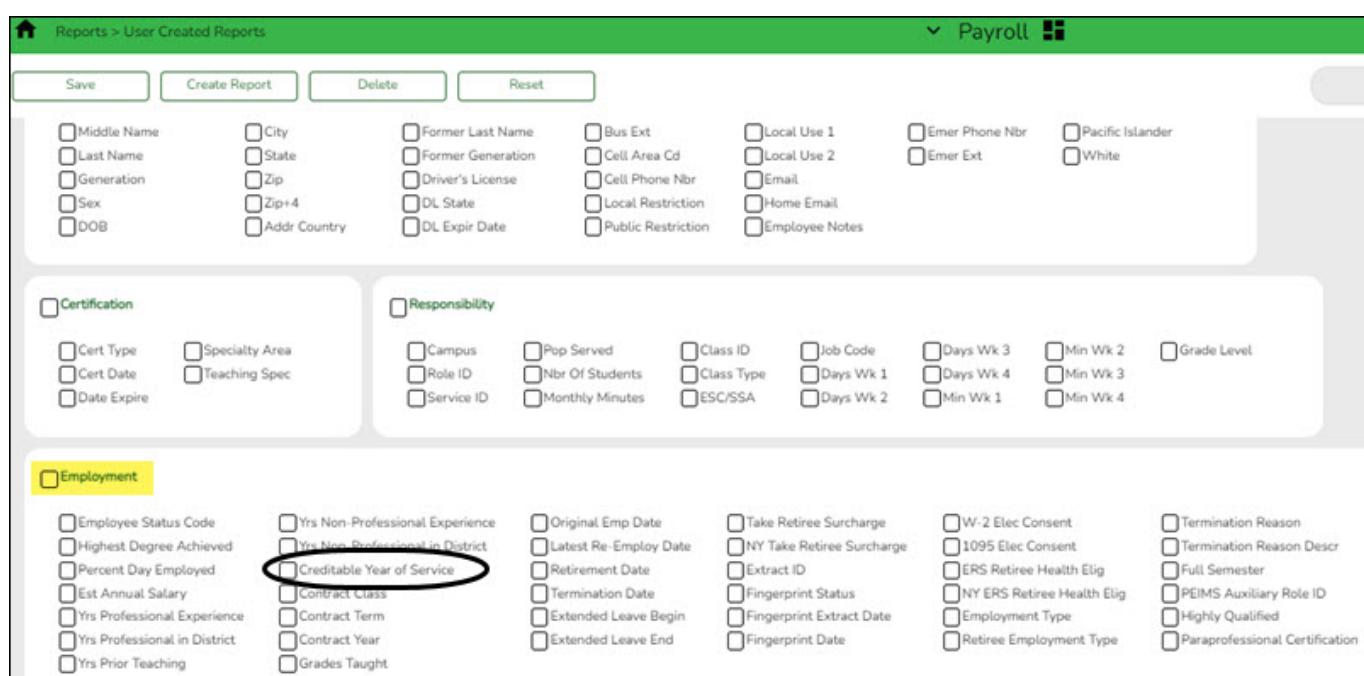
- HRS1100 - Employee Verification
- HRS1250 - Employee Data Listing
- HRS1650 - Employee Salary Information

Payroll > Reports > Quarterly/Annual Reports > HRS5100 - W-2 Forms

Per IRS requirements, updated the W-2 form/instructions and all W-2 functionality to support the 2021 tax year.

Payroll > Reports > User Created Report

Added the **Creditable Year of Service** check box to the **Employment** section.



The screenshot shows a user interface for creating reports. At the top, there are buttons for 'Save', 'Create Report', 'Delete', and 'Reset'. Below these are two main sections: 'Certification' and 'Responsibility'. The 'Employment' section is highlighted with a yellow background and contains the following checkboxes:

- Employee Status Code
- Highest Degree Achieved
- Percent Day Employed
- Est Annual Salary
- Yrs Professional Experience
- Yrs Professional in District
- Yrs Prior Teaching
- Yrs Non-Professional Experience
- Yrs Non-Professional in District
- Contract Class
- Contract Term
- Contract Year
- Grades Taught
- Original Emp Date
- Latest Re-Employ Date
- Retirement Date
- Termination Date
- Extended Leave Begin
- Extended Leave End
- Take Retiree Surcharge
- NY Take Retiree Surcharge
- Extract ID
- Fingerprint Status
- Fingerprint Extract Date
- Fingerprint Date
- W-2 Elec Consent
- 1095 Elec Consent
- ERS Retiree Health Elig
- NY ERS Retiree Health Elig
- Employment Type
- Retiree Employment Type
- Termination Reason
- Termination Reason Descr
- Full Semester
- PEIMS Auxiliary Role ID
- Highly Qualified
- Paraprofessional Certification

A red circle highlights the 'Creditable Year of Service' checkbox in the 'Employment' section.

Personnel > Tables > WorkJournal > Options

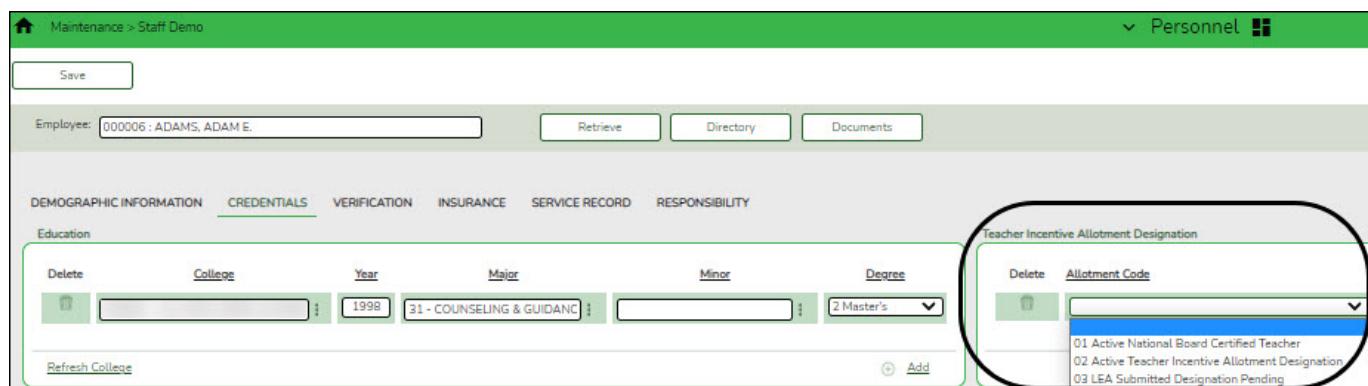
- Modified the program to display the Unsaved Data Warning pop-up window when applicable.
- Corrected the issue that caused the time conversion table to inadvertently default to pay frequency 4 even though it was not created in pay frequency 4. This issue occurred in databases with only one pay frequency.

Personnel > Tables > WorkJournal > Admin

- Modified the Unsaved Data Warning pop-up window to set the cursor focus on the **Cancel** button.

Personnel > Maintenance > Staff Demo > Credentials

- Added the **Teacher Incentive Allotment Designation** section, which includes the following allotment codes and descriptions:
 - 01 Active National Board Certified Teacher
 - 02 Active Teacher Incentive Allotment Designation
 - 03 LEA Submitted Designation Pending



The screenshot shows the 'Maintenance > Staff Demo' application. The 'CREDENTIALS' tab is selected. The 'Teacher Incentive Allotment Designation' section is highlighted with a green oval. It contains three items:

- 01 Active National Board Certified Teacher
- 02 Active Teacher Incentive Allotment Designation
- 03 LEA Submitted Designation Pending

Personnel > Maintenance > Employment Info

- Added the **Creditable Year of Service** check box to the **Years Experience** section.
- Corrected the page to only display the applicable scroll bars.

Personnel > Utilities > Mass Update > Employee

- Added the **Creditable Year of Service** field under **Reset** to reset the employee's creditable year of service. Also, added the **Creditable Year of Service** column to the Employee Mass Update Report.

Personnel > Utilities > Mass Delete > Employee Data

- Modified the program to include the Teacher Incentive Allotment designation in the mass deletion process.

Personnel > Utilities > ACA 1094/1095 Correction/Replacement

- Per IRS requirements, updated the utility to support the 2021 tax year.

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

Personnel > Reports > Personnel Reports

Added the **Creditable Year of Service** field to the following reports:

- HRS1100 - Employee Verification
- HRS1250 - Employee Data Listing
- HRS1650 - Employee Salary Information

Personnel > Reports > Personnel Reports > HRS1750 - Teacher Incentive Allotment Designation Report

Added this report to provide a list of employees with their Teacher Incentive Allotment Designation codes and descriptions.

Personnel > Reports > Payroll Information Reports > HRS5250 - 1095-B Forms

Per IRS requirements, updated the 1095-B form/instructions and all 1095-B functionality to support the 2021 tax year.

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

Personnel > Reports > Payroll Information Reports > HRS5255 - 1095-C Forms

- Per IRS requirements, updated the 1095-C form/instructions and all 1095-C functionality to support the 2021 tax year.
- Removed transmitter control code (TCC) validation from the ACA file creation process.

Personnel > Reports > TRS Reports

- Corrected the issue that prevented the following reports from being generated:
 - HRS4300 - Health Insurance Participation Report
 - HRS8900 - Employee Data (ED)
 - HRS8905 - Regular Payroll (RP)

Personnel > Reports > User Created Reports > Personnel

- Added the **Creditable Year of Service** check box to the **Employment** section.

The screenshot shows a software interface for creating user-defined reports. At the top, there are buttons for 'Save', 'Create Report', 'Delete', and 'Reset'. Below this is a 'Report Template' section with a text input field, a 'Public' checkbox, and 'Retrieve' and 'Directory' buttons. The main area is titled 'Report Title' with a text input field. Under 'Employee Nbr', there is a text input field and a 'Active Employees Only' checkbox. The 'Employment' section is highlighted with a yellow background and contains a grid of checkboxes. One specific checkbox, 'Creditable Year of Service', is circled in red.

Employee Status Code	Yrs Non-Professional Experience	Original Emp Date	Take Retiree Surcharge	W-2 Elec Consent	Termination Reason
<input type="checkbox"/> Highest Degree Achieved	<input type="checkbox"/> Yrs Non-Professional in District	<input type="checkbox"/> Latest Re-Employ Date	<input type="checkbox"/> NY Take Retiree Surcharge	<input type="checkbox"/> 1095 Elec Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Termination Reason Descr
<input type="checkbox"/> Percent Day Employed	<input type="checkbox"/> Creditable Year of Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Extract ID	<input type="checkbox"/> ERS Retiree Health Elig	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Semester
<input type="checkbox"/> Est Annual Salary	<input type="checkbox"/> Contract Class	<input type="checkbox"/> Termination Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Fingerprint Status	<input type="checkbox"/> NY ERS Retiree Health Elig	<input type="checkbox"/> PEIMS Auxiliary Role ID
<input type="checkbox"/> Yrs Professional Experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Contract Term	<input type="checkbox"/> Extended Leave Begin	<input type="checkbox"/> Fingerprint Extract Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Employment Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Highly Qualified
<input type="checkbox"/> Yrs Professional in District	<input type="checkbox"/> Contract Year	<input type="checkbox"/> Extended Leave End	<input type="checkbox"/> Fingerprint Date	<input type="checkbox"/> Retiree Employment Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Paraprofessional Certification
<input type="checkbox"/> Yrs Prior Teaching	<input type="checkbox"/> Grades Taught				

Purchasing > Inquiry > GL Inquiry > GL Account Summary

- Corrected the spelling of Revenue in the Estimated and Realized Revenue column headings on the

report preview and PDF.

Purchasing > Maintenance > Create/Modify Requisition

Modified the **Refresh Totals**, **Calculate Amounts**, and **Calculate Percent** links to correctly calculate amounts and percentages when creating a requisition that has one line item with multiple accounts. This change is also effective for the Uniform Account Distribution.

Purchasing > Reports

Corrected the email content (subject/body) to mirror the letter case entered by the user. Previously, all letters were converted to uppercase.

- REQ1450 - Print Purchase Orders
- REQ1500 - Reprint Purchase Orders
- REQ2000 - Request for Quotation Report

Warehouse > Reports > Warehouse Reports > BWH1450 - Print Purchase Order Form & BWH1500 - Reprint Purchase Order Form

Corrected the **PO Signature** button pop-up window to display and function as intended.



EmployeePortal

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Modified the program to ensure that the applicable Employee/Supervisor reminder emails are sent daily around 6:00 AM.

EmployeePortal > Inquiry > Calendar Year to Date & W-2 Information

Added the following **FFCRA Payment** fields for the 2021 calendar year:

- **EPSL1** (Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act (EPSLA) regular rate)
- **EPSL2** (Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act (EPSLA) two-thirds rate)
- **EFMLEA** (Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act)

NOTE: If any of these amounts are greater than zero, the field and amount are displayed in Box 14 on the employee's W-2.

EmployeePortal > Inquiry > W-2 Information

Per IRS requirements, updated the W-2 form/instructions and all W-2 functionality to support the 2021 tax year.

EmployeePortal > Inquiry > 1095 Information

Per IRS requirements, updated the 1095-B/1095-C forms/instructions and all 1095-B/1095-C functionality to support the 2021 tax year.

EmployeePortal > Leave Requests

Modified leave requests to display as follows:

- Leave requests with an *Approved* or *Pending Approval* status are displayed on the employee homepage calendar and the Leave Requests page, and can be edited.
- Leave requests with an *Import into Payroll* or *Processed* status are displayed on the employee homepage calendar and the Leave Requests page, and cannot be edited.

Note: All employee leave requests in the above statuses are displayed as read-only on the supervisor's homepage calendar.

Added the **Outlook Calendar** and **Google Calendar** links to leave approval emails allowing employees to add approved leave requests as Outlook/Google calendar events.

- Corrected the program to prevent duplicate leave requests from being displayed under **Unprocessed Leave Requests** and on the homepage calendar.

EmployeePortal > Travel Reimbursement Requests > Travel Requests

- Added maximum length limits to various fields.
- Corrected the issue that caused all inline error messages to be displayed upon accessing the page.

EmployeePortal > Travel Reimbursement Requests > Approve Travel Requests

- Corrected various functionality and user interface issues including the select all check box and the document attachments icon to improve the user experience.



MemberPortal

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- Modified the program to ensure that the applicable Employee/Supervisor reminder emails are sent daily around 6:00 AM.

MemberPortal > Login

- Corrected the Oops error page to display MemberPortal instead of EmployeePortal.

MemberPortal > Forgot Password

- Modified the functionality and user interface to meet ASCENDER portal standards.

MemberPortal > Budget Revision Request & Reimbursement Request

- Corrected the program to ensure that all approvers in an approval path receive automated email notifications for pending budget or reimbursement requests.
- Corrected the **Module** column in the database to display the originating page name for submitted requests.

MemberPortal > Manage Users

- Corrected various user interface issues in the Unsaved Data Warning pop-up window.
- Corrected the **Module** column in the database to display GRT2160 Manage Users when adding or updating grant type information for a user.



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