

### **ASCENDER Student Release Notes**

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#### **ASCENDER Release 8**

### **ASCENDER 8.0600**

Release	Date:	2/7/24	<b>ASCENDER</b>	Update:	8.0600
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ck View Dashboard

☐ Modified the prog	gram to save and dis	splay data based	on the user's Profil	e Name instead of User
ID.				

### Attendance > Maintenance > Addtnl Days Program > ADSY Attendance

☐ Corrected the program so <b>ADSY Attendance</b> will use	the Local Program Code on Registration >
Maintenance > District Profile > Local Program Codes ins	stead of <i>State Reporting</i> > <i>Options</i> .

### **Discipline > Maintenance > Student > Maintenance**

☐ Modified the program to save DISCIPLINARY-ACTION-CODE 27 or 28 with Offense Code 0	062,	0063,
or 0064 and to require the location of 01, 02, or 03 for Offense Code 0062, 0063, or 0064.		

# Grade Reporting > Reports > Grade Reporting Reports > Report Cards Grade Reporting > Utilities > ParentPortal Report Cards

 $\square$  Modified the following reports to show a **Direction** column for the student mailing address direction (N,S,E,W) when S is selected for the **Address** parameter:

- SGR1300
- SGR1310
- SGR1350
- SGR1400
- SGR1410

☐ Modified <i>Grade Reporting</i> > <i>Utilities</i> > <i>ParentPortal Report Cards</i> to show a <b>Direction</b> column for the student mailing address direction (N,S,E,W) when <i>S</i> is selected for the <b>Address</b> parameter on <b>ParentPortal Report Card Options</b> .
Registration > Maintenance > District Profile > Local Program Codes
☐ Corrected the issue that caused the <b>Local Program to TEA PEIMS Codes</b> dropdown menu to malfunction.
Registration > Maintenance > Campus Profile > Campus Information Maintenance > Control Info
☐ Modified the program to allow a user to select the <b>Additional Days Program</b> checkbox in the prior year, after they have run ASDR.
Registration > Utilities > Title 1 Code Conversion
☐ Corrected an error in the utility that was preventing the <b>Title I Code</b> indicator from being set.
Registration > Reports > Registration Reports > Student Report Group > SRG5010 Child Find SPPI-11 Student Roster Report
☐ Modified the report for 2024 school year and beyond:
• Replaced the Parent Consent with Dt column with a Consent to Eval Rcvd column.
Registration > Reports > Registration Reports > Student Report Group > SRG5020 Child Find SPPI-12 Student Roster Report
☐ Modified the report for 2024 school year and beyond:
Replaced the Parent Consent with Dt column with a Consent to Eval Rcvd column.

Scheduling > Maintenance > Master Schedule Generator > Generate Campus

#### Schedule > Create Mstr Sched

☐ Corrected the issue that caused some test scores to not load from the new import PSAT file when

### **Prior Release Notes for ASCENDER 8.0**

Test Scores > Utilities > Import Test Scores > PSAT Test was selected.

Update: 8.0500

### **ASCENDER 8.0500**

Release Date: 1/11/24 ASCENDER Update: 8.0500

#### OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2

☐ Updated the program with required OCR File Layout changes.

#### OCR > Utilities > Create OCR File

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☐ Updated the program to re-enable the <b>Create OCR File</b> menu option.
Update: 8.0400
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Release Date: 12/15/23 ASCENDER Update: 8.0400
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 1 > DIND
☐ Updated <b>DIND: COVID-related Directional Indicators</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 1: Fall Snapshot Data.
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 1 > SCHR
☐ Updated <b>SCHR: School Characteristics</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 1: Fall Snapshot Data.
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 1 > PSCH
☐ Updated <b>PSCH: Preschool Enrollment</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 1: Fall Snapshot Data.
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 1 > ENRL

 $\square$  Updated **ENRL: Enrollment** for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.

For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 1: Fall Snapshot Data.

OCR > Maintenance > School Part 1 > PENR

# ☐ Updated PENR: Gifted & Talented, Dual Enrollment, and Credit Recovery Programs for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection. For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 1: Fall Snapshot Data. OCR > Maintenance > School Part 1 > COUR ☐ Updated **COUR: Courses & Classes** for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection. For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 1: Fall Snapshot Data. OCR > Maintenance > School Part 1 > APIB ☐ Updated APIB: International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection. For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 1: Fall Snapshot Data. OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > EXAM ☐ Updated EXAM: SAT/ACT & Advance Placement (AP) Exams for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection. For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Exam, Staff, and Retention. OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > STAF ☐ Updated STAF: School & School Support Staff for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection. For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Exam, Staff, and Retention.

OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > RETN

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☐ Updated <b>RETN: Retention</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Exam, Staff, and Retention.
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > ATHL
☐ Updated <b>ATHL: Single-Sex Interscholastic Athletics</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Exam, Staff, and Retention.
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > DISC
☐ Updated <b>DISC: Student Discipline</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Discipline (Suspension, Expulsion, Corporal Punishment).
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > ARRS
☐ Updated ARRS: Student Discipline (Referrals to Law Enforcement & School-Related Arrests) for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Discipline (Suspension, Expulsion, Corporal Punishment).
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > OFFN
☐ Updated <b>OFFN: Offenses</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Discipline (Suspension, Expulsion, Corporal Punishment).
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > HIBS
☐ Updated <b>HIBS: Harassment or Bullying</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.

For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Discipline (Suspension, Expulsion, Corporal Punishment).
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > RSTR
☐ Updated <b>RSTR: Restraint and Seclusion</b> for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Discipline (Suspension, Expulsion, Corporal Punishment).
OCR > Maintenance > School Part 2 > INET
☐ Updated INET: Internet Access and Devices for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
For a list of extract information, click OCR Extract Information - Part 2: Discipline (Suspension, Expulsion, Corporal Punishment).
OCR > Extracts > School Part 2
☐ Updated the extract for the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
OCR > Utilities > Create OCR File
☐ Updated the program to hide the <b>Create OCR File</b> menu option. The updated file layout will be released in January 2024.
OCR > Reports > School Part 1
☐ Updated the report file to comply with the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.
OCR > Reports > School Part 2a: Exam, Staff, and Retention
☐ Updated the report file to comply with the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.

#### OCR > Reports > School Part 2b: Discipline

☐ Updated the report file to comply with the 2021-2022 OCR Civil Rights Data Collection.

#### **Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment**

□ 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.



### Registration > Utilities > Set Student At Risk Indicators

☐ Added logic to *dbAssistant* for the 2023-2024 school year to update the table **st\_atrisk\_assmt\_110pct** with new 110% passing scores.

New values were loaded for At Risk assessments that will determine if a student passed an assessment by at least 110% in order to not be classified as at risk for previously failing the this subject.

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### **ASCENDER 8.0305**

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### Registration, Grade Reporting and Attendance

☐ Modified the <b>Student Information</b> button on Registration, Grade Reporting, and Attendance to pre-check if the campus and grade level information entered for student is correct before running a report.
Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > WR Enroll
☐ Corrected the 6:00pm extract calculation for <b>As of Status Last Friday October</b> code.
Update: 8.0300
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Release Date: 11/6/23 ASCENDER Update: 8.0300
☐ Modified the following pages to calculate <i>AsOfStatusLastFridayOctober</i> data during the nightly 6:00pm extract:
<ul> <li>Registration &gt; Maintenance &gt; Student Enrollment &gt; Demo1 &gt; Status Indicators - No-shows and currently enrolled students</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Registration &gt; Maintenance &gt; Prior Year Leaver Tracking &gt; Leaver Tracking - Prior year leaver students</li> </ul>
• State Reporting > Maintenance > Fall > Student > Demo
Grade Reporting > Maintenance > Master Schedule > Campus Schedule > Section
☐ Updated the page to remove leftover edits when the <b>PK Prog Eval Type</b> field was removed.
Graduation Plan > Maintenance > Student > Individual Maintenance > PGP
☐ Removed the following error messages for school year 2024 and beyond:
<ul> <li>PGP: If Distinguished Coursework is not 0, then at least one endorsement must be a 1 or 2.</li> <li>PGP: To complete Distinguished, one Endorsement must also be completed.</li> </ul>

#### Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > Demo1 (PY Leaver)

☐ Modified the page to allow the following data elements to be editable for the prior year (1 year only) if the student is listed in SR\_STU\_LEAVER and NO\_SHOW=0.

- E-mail SR STU DEMO.EMAIL
- Num SR STU DEMO.STR NBR PHYS
- Street SR STU DEMO.STR NAME PHYS
- Direction SR STU DEMO STR DRCTN PHYS
- Apt SR STU DEMO.APT NBR PHYS ADDR
- City SR STU DEMO.CITY NAME PHYS ADDR
- State SR STU DEMO.PHYS ADDR STATE
- Zip SR STU DEMO.ZIP CODE PHYS ADDR and SR STU DEMO.ZIP4 PHYS ADDR

### Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > Graduation

☐ Removed the following error message for school year 2024 and beyond:

• Graduation: If Foundation Coursework is 2, Distinguished Coursework and endorsements must be a 0 or 2.

### Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > Contact (PY Leaver)

☐ Modified the page to allow the following data elements to be editable for the prior year (1 year only) if the student is listed in SR\_STU\_LEAVER and NO\_SHOW=0.

For contacts who are: Priority=1 and Guardian=1

- First SR PARENT.NAME F
- Middle SR PARENT.NAME M
- Last SR PARENT.NAME L
- Gen SR PARENT.GEN
- Relation SR PARENT.RELAT
- Address Number SR PARENT.STR NBR
- Address Street Name SR PARENT.STR NAME
- Address Apt Nbr SR PARENT.APT NBR
- Address City SR PARENT.CITY
- Address State SR\_PARENT.STATE\_CD
- Address Zip Code SR PARENT.ZIP and SR PARENT ZIP4
- Email SR PARENT.EMAIL
- Home Phone Nbr SR PARENT.PHONE AREA CD and SR PARENT.PHONE NBR
- Business Phone Nbr SR\_PARENT.PHONE\_AREA\_CD\_BUS and SR\_PARENT.PHONE\_NBR\_BUS and SR\_PARENT.PHONE\_EXT\_BUS
- Other Phone Nbr SR\_PARENT.OTHER\_PHONE\_AC and SR\_PARENT.OTHER\_PHONE\_NBR and SR\_PARENT.OTHER\_PHONE\_EXT

### **Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > W/R Enroll (PY Leaver)**

 $\square$  Modified the page to allow the *Reason Cd* to be editable for the prior year (1 year only) if the student is listed in SR\_STU\_LEAVER and NO\_SHOW=0.

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### **ASCENDER 8.0200**

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### Discipline > Reports > Discipline > SDS1700 - Discipline Suspension Attendance Verification

☐ Corrected the issue that resulted in data not displaying for student discipline incidents.

### **Grade Reporting > Maintenance > Tables > TSDS Crosswalks**

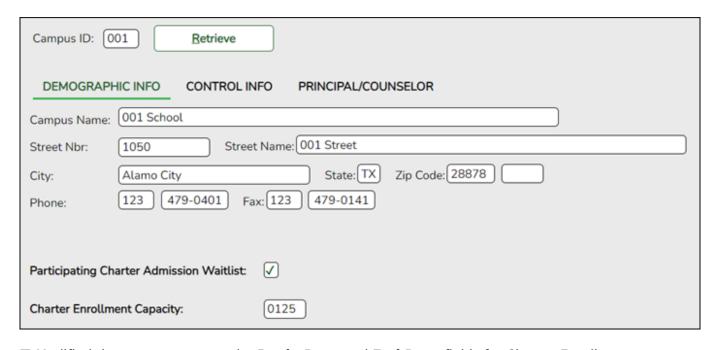
☐ Updated the page to add an edit that will prevent duplicate values in the **From** field.

### Graduation Plan > Maintenance > Student > Individual Maintenance > Performance Acknowledgement



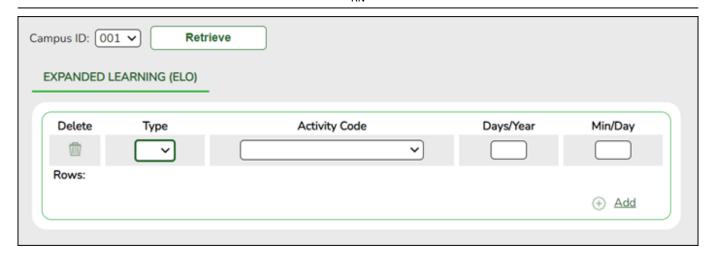
# Registration > Maintenance > Campus Profile > Campus Information Maintenance > Demographic Info

☐ Modified the **Associate Degree** field from a checkbox to a drop-down menu.



☐ Modified the page to remove the **Begin Date** and **End Date** fields for Charter Enrollment beginning with school year 2023 and beyond.

# Registration > Maintenance > Campus Profile > Campus Programs > Expanded Learning (ELO)



☐ Modified the page to remove the **Begin Date** and **End Date** fields for Charter Enrollment beginning with school year 2024 and beyond.

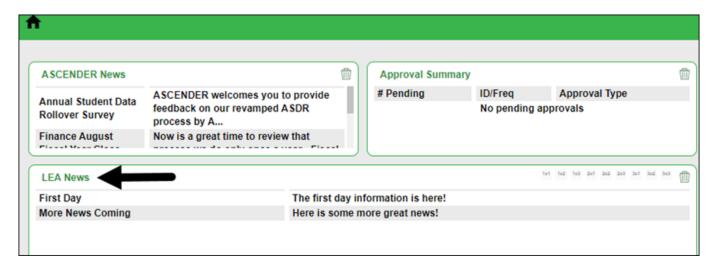
Update: 8.0100

### **ASCENDER 8.0100**

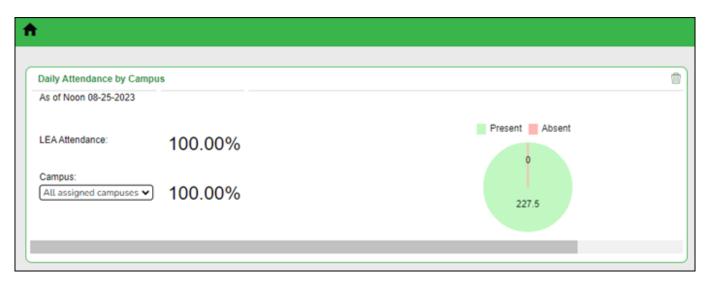
Release Date: 9/11/23 ASCENDER Update: 8.0100

### **ASCENDER Homepage**

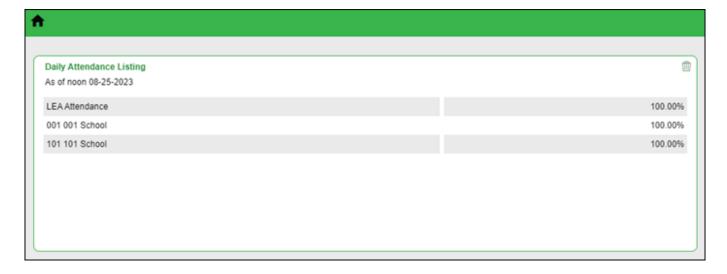
□ Added the **LEA News** element to the Quick View dashboard. This feature allows LEA personnel to add and manage important news, announcements, or upcoming events, and display them on the ASCENDER Homepage Quick View dashboard. Each news entry includes a start and end date, a summary (topic), and a description. Additionally, if needed, entries can be limited to a specific audience based on their permission to an application and breadcrumb (menu item). This functionality is managed on the new District Administration > Tables > LEA News page.



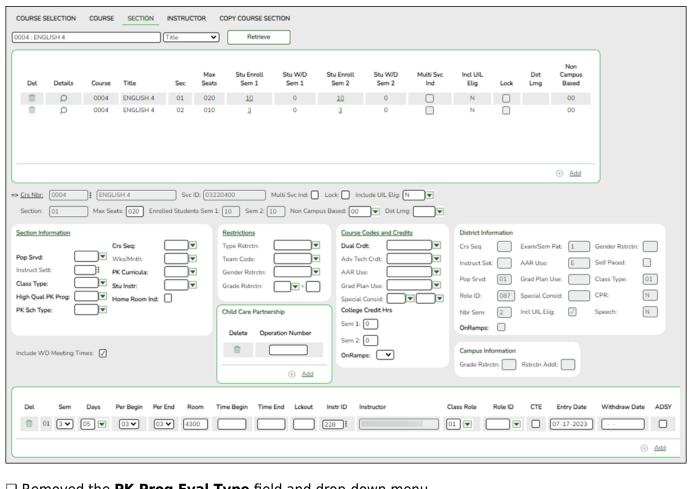
□ Added the **Daily Attendance by Campus** element on the ASCENDER Homepage Quick View dashboard. This feature allows LEA personnel to quickly and conveniently view in a pie chart, the attendance totals for an authorized campus or the sum of all authorized campuses for the day. This listing will be updated each day at noon.



□ Added the **Daily Attendance Listing** element on the ASCENDER Homepage Quick View dashboard. This feature allows LEA personnel to quickly and conveniently view a listing of authorized campus attendance figures for the day. This listing will be updated each day at noon.



Grade Reporting > Maintenance > Master Schedule > Campus Schedule > Section



$\square$ Removed the <b>PK Pro</b>	g Eval 1	<b>Type</b> field	and drop	o-down menu.
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☐ Added a Child-Care Partnership	group box so	users can enter	multiple Child-Ca	are Operation
Number(s).				

### Grade Reporting > Maintenance > Master Schedule > Campus Schedule > Copy Course Section

☐ Modified the page to add Child Care Operation Number(s) to the page logic.

### Grade Reporting > Maintenance > Student > Individual Maint > Sched Inquiry

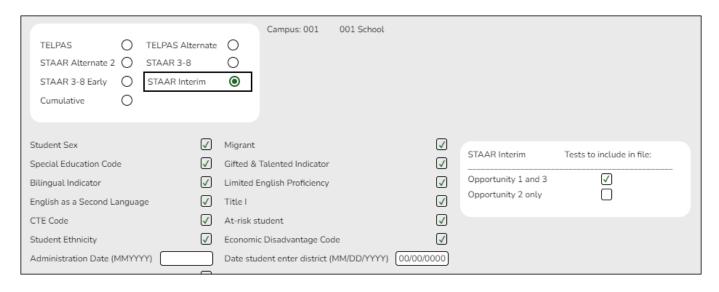
☐ Modified the page to allow up to 60 characters in the street address field when printing the schedule inquiry.

### Grade Reporting > Maintenance > Student > Individual Maint > Cumulative Courses

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☐ Modified the printed inquiry to allow up to 60 characters in the street address field when select <b>Print AAR</b> or <b>AAR/Test Scr</b> .									
Grade Reporting > Maintenance > TeacherPortal Options > Campus > Categories									
$\hfill \square$ Corrected the issue that prevented clients from deleting categories after successfully running ASDR.									
Grade Reporting > Utilities > Online STAAR/TAKS EOC Extract									

### **Grade Reporting > Utilities > STAAR/TAKS Precoding Extract**

☐ Modified the utility with the new Cambium file format for school year 2023-2024.



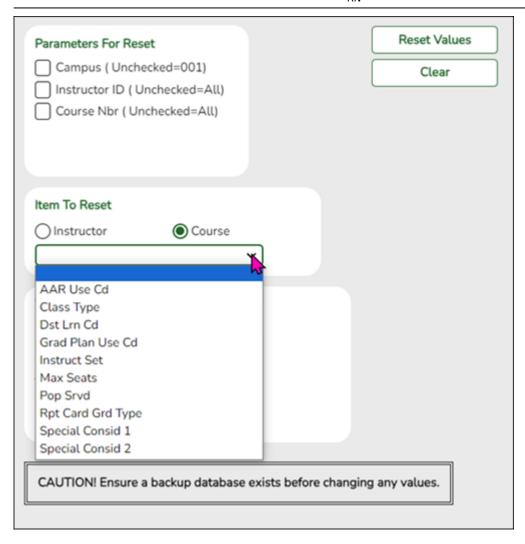
☐ Modified the utility to separate the **STAAR Interim** option so it extracts by itself. Therefore, the **Cumulative** file extract will not contain STAAR Interim information.

☐ Updated the Cambium file layout and added a *telpas\_sife* value to TELPAS and TELPAS Alternate for school year 2024.

☐ Modified the utility to remove the **STAAR Interim** option from extracting with **Cumulative**.

### **Grade Reporting > Utilities > Reset Values**

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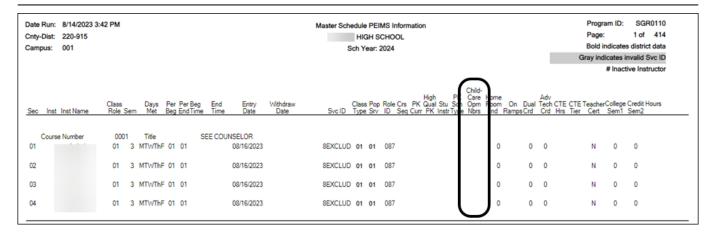
☐ Removed **PK Prog Eval Type** from the *Item to Reset* Course drop-down menu.

### Grade Reporting > Reports > Grade Reporting Reports > Grades Report Group > SGR2047-AAR Multi-Year

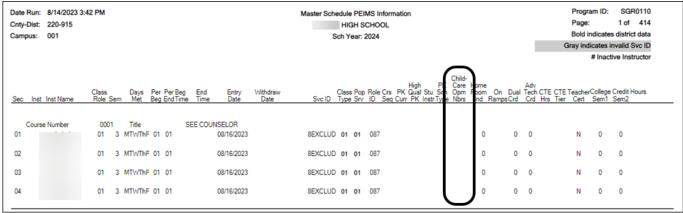
☐ Modified the report to allow up to 60 characters in the street address field.

### **Grade Reporting > Reports > Grade Reporting Reports > Master Schedules**

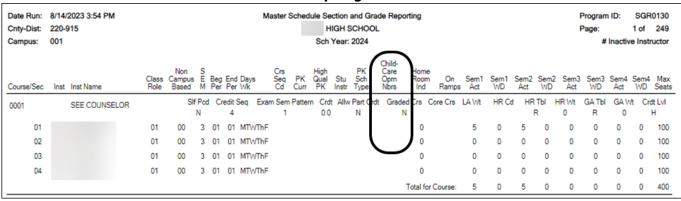
#### SGR0110 - Master Schedule PEIMS (Grd Rpting)



#### SGR0120 - Master Schedule Sched Info (Grd Rpting)



#### SGR0130 - Master Sched Section and Grd Rpting Info



- ☐ Updated the following reports with the following changes:
  - SGR0110 Master Schedule PEIMS (Grd Rpting)
  - SGR0120 Master Schedule Sched Info (Grd Rpting)
  - SGR0130 Master Sched Section and Grd Rpting Info
- ☐ Removed the **PK Prog Eval Code** column from the reports.
- ☐ Added a column for **Child-Care Oprn Nbrs** to reports.

# Grade Reporting > Reports > Grade Reporting Reports > Report Cards Report Group > SGR1160-Interim Progress Report

☐ Modified the report to allow up to 60 characters in the street address field.

### **Grade Reporting > Utilities > Online STAAR/TAKS EOC Extract**

☐ Modified the utility with the new Cambium file format for school year 2023-2024.

### Registration > Maintenance > District Profile > District Maintenance > State Reporting



- ☐ Updated the page to remove the **Child-Care Partnership** group box.
- ☐ Added the **Program Evaluation Type** field with a drop-down menu.

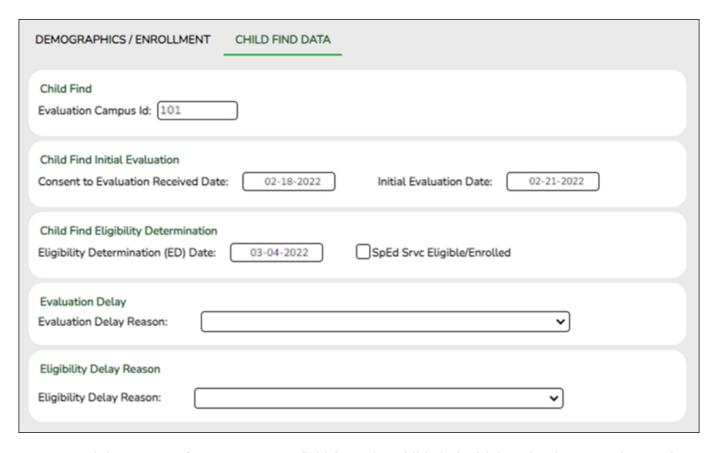
### Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > Demo3

- ☐ Modified the page with the following:
  - Added a **No Svcs** option with a checkbox to the Dyslexia group box.
  - Added a No Services option with a checkbox between Screen Exception Reason and IEP/SEC 5047 Services.
  - Removed the Prior Yr Summer School Bil/ESL option and checkbox from the Status Indicators group box.

### Registration > Maintenance > Student Enrollment > Graduation

☐ Modified the program to allow duplicate entries in the **Industry Based Certification** group box.

### Registration > Maintenance > Core Collections > Child Find: SPPI-11 > Child Find Data



☐ Removed the **Parental Consent Date** field from the *Child Find Initial Evaluation* group box and replaced it with the **Consent to Evaluation Received Date** field starting in 2023-2024.

**NOTE**: The **Parental Consent Date** field is still available for SY 2023 and prior.

- ☐ Deleted the following rules for SY 2023-2024 and beyond:
  - 41163-0075
  - 41163-0076
  - 41163-0077
  - 41163-0079
  - 41163-0081
  - 41163-0084

### Registration > Maintenance > Core Collections > Child Find: SPPI-12 > Child Find Data

DEMOGRAPHICS / ENROLLMENT CHILD FIND DATA
Child Find
Evaluation Campus Id:
Early Childhood Transition
ECI Notification Date:ECI Conference Date:
Child Find Initial Evaluation
Consent to Evaluation Received Date: Initial Evaluation Date:
Child Find Eligibility Determination
Eligibility Determination (ED) Date: SpEd Srvs Eligible/Enrolled:
Delay Reason
Evaluation Delay Reason:
Eligibility Delay Reason
Eligibility Delay Reason:

☐ Removed the **Parental Consent Date** field from the *Child Find Initial Evaluation* group box and replaced it with the **Consent to Evaluation Received Date** field starting in 2023-2024.

**NOTE**: The **Parental Consent Date** field is still available for SY 2023 and prior.

- ☐ Deleted the following rules for SY 2023-2024 and beyond:
  - 41163-0075
  - 41163-0076
  - 41163-0077
  - 41163-0079
  - 41163-0081
  - 41163-0084

### Registration > Maintenance > Core Collections > Charter School Waitlist

- ☐ Modified the page to make the following required field changes:
  - Remove Edit: School District of Residence is required.

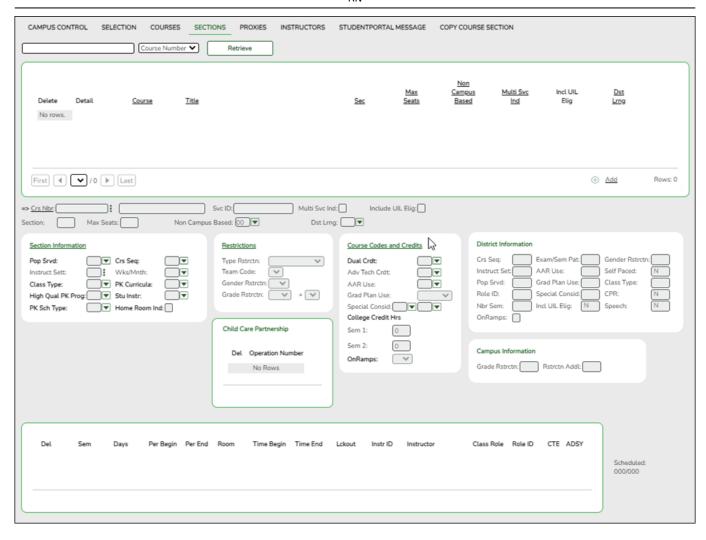
- Remove Edit: Race is required.
- Add Edit: Grd Lvl Applying For is required.
- ☐ Modified the **School District of Residence** field to allow up to 300 characters.

#### **Registration > Utilities > Charter School Waitlist Import**

☐ Updated the program to add the following fields to the import for school year 2023.

- DTS UPDATE
- ETHN HISPANIC
- RACE AMER INDIAN
- RACE ASIAN
- RACE BLACK
- RACE\_PACIFIC\_ISL
- RACE\_WHITE
- CAMPUS ID RES NAME
- S NBR
- NVR ENROLLED PUBLIC SCH
- OTH CHILD APPLYING CHART
- NAME OTHER CHILD APPLYING
- TIME OF DAY AM
- TIME OF DAY PM
- PK QUALIFY
- PHONE PREF

#### Scheduling > Maintenance > Master Schedule > Campus > Sections



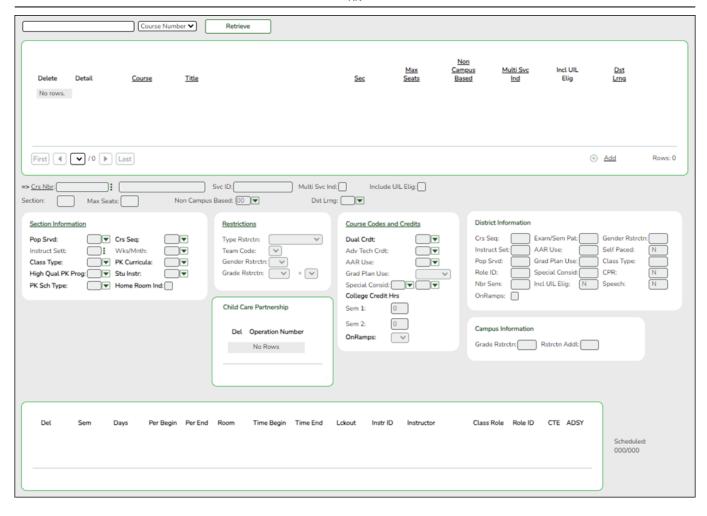
$\square$ Removed the <b>PK Prog Eva</b>	<b>Type</b> option from the <i>Sectio</i>	<i>n Information</i> group box.
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□ Added a Child-Care Partnership	group	box so	users	can	enter	multiple	Child-	Care	Operation
Number(s) per section.									

### Scheduling > Maintenance > Master Schedule > Campus > Copy Course Section

☐ Added a code to the page logic to copy Child Care Operation Number(s) when a course section is copied.

### Scheduling > Maintenance > Master Schedule Generator > Generate Campus Schedule > Sections



Removed the PK Prog Eval Type option from the Section Information gro	roup h	n (	natior	format	Inf	on	ectio	Se	the	from	option	'vpe	al T	Εv	Prog	PK	the	emoved	$\Box$ F
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☐ Added a Child-Care Partnership	group	box so	users	can e	enter	multiple	Child-Care	Operation
Number(s).								

### Scheduling > Utilities > Create NY Master Schedule > Campus

☐ Added a code to the page logic to copy Child-Care Operation Number(s) when a campus section is copied.

### Scheduling > Utilities > Delete NY Master Schedule > Campus

☐ Modified the utility to add a *Child Care Operation Numbers* table to the delete **Campus Sections** logic.

When the user selects **Campus Sections**, rows from the CR\_SEC\_CHLD\_CARE\_PRTNR\_NYR table (*Child Care Operation Numbers*) are successfully deleted.



### **ASCENDER TeacherPortal**

Release Date: 9/8/23

**ASCENDER Update**: 8.0100 **ASCENDER TeacherPortal Update**: 8.0100

Grades > Elementary Report Cards > Elementary Letter Skills Grades > Elementary Report Cards > Elementary Numbers Skills Grades > Elementary Report Cards > Elementary Word Skills

☐ Corrected an issue with the **Retrieve** button so users are able to retrieve more than one student.



### **Back Cover**