November 23, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey
State Superintendent of Education

RE: Specialized Treatment Centers Data in InformationNOW

Beginning school year (SY) 2021-2022, students who are placed in Specialized Treatment Centers (STCs) will not be withdrawn from their home school or local education agency (LEA). Students will remain enrolled in the school of origin and will, instead, be registered for classes in PowerSchool through Cross-LEA enrollment.

In order for the student data to transfer correctly from InformationNOW (INOW) into PowerSchool, students from every LEA who are currently in an STC must be labeled as such in INOW. All STC fields will be located on the Student > Custom Tab and will be live effective December 1, 2020. The LEAs should begin enrolling students in STCs using the process below on March 1, 2021.

Each student in an STC will be flagged as non-traditional, then tagged to the appropriate STC via a dropdown tab. On the tab, select the appropriate STC, the placement reason, the start and end dates that the student was in the facility, and the withdrawal reason from the STC. Please refer to the INOW screenshots below.

[INOW screenshot]

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This data will **not** be included in any accountability reporting for the 2020-2021 school year. The student STC enrollments will be imported with the conversion to PowerSchool in June 2021.

For more information, please contact Dr. Sabrina May by email at smay@alsde.edu.

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