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Subject: New and Improved Exit Codes for Students transferred to Correctional Institution/State Custody

Good Morning,

We get lots of vague cases where students are removed and put in protective custody by the state and they don't provide contact info, sometimes to protect the children from their parents. We have students that show up on a district's dropout roster, but, said student had been placed in a group home during the school year. OCS makes sure that students under the age of 17 receive educational/health services while under their jurisdiction.

In response to this, we are expanding the correctional institution exit code, 12, to include OCS type exits/judicial protective custody orders/Witness Protection.

Below is how these changes are listed in the updated SIS User Guide (will be available on the web shortly).

Exit Documentation (Page 29):

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Correctional Institution/State Custody (ages under 17)

A signed statement from the sentencing judge, Office of Juvenile Justice, representative of the correctional facility or DSS-Office of Community Services (OCS)

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Correctional Institution/State Custody (ages 17 and above)

A signed statement from the sentencing judge, Office of Juvenile Justice, representative of the correctional facility or DSS-Office of Community Services (OCS)

Changes for 2008/2009 (Page 8):

New and Improved Exit Codes (for 2008-2009 EOY)

We expanded exit code 12, Correctional Institution to include OCS type exits/judicial protective custody orders/Witness Protection. This code would pertain to students under the age of 17. They will not be dropouts. Also, we added exit code 34, Correctional Institution/State Custody for students ages 17 and above. They will be dropouts.

Exit Reason Codes (Page 28):

12 - Correctional Institution/State Custody (ages under 17)

34 - Correctional Institution/State Custody (ages 17 and above)*: Student is not known to be receiving services.

Thanks!

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