

Item/Table	Question for PennData 2007-2008	Answer
General	If the purpose is to obtain the most accurate information - is there a possibility that if errors are identified - in information reported out to LEA's - can the IU submit the corrections?	IUs should be working with their districts on an ongoing basis to assure that data submitted is accurate and timely. This issue of error corrections should have been addressed prior to the sign-off process.
General	If the 5 indicators being publicized have errors for whatever reason, can the data be changed to reflect accurate representation? Likewise, can any other errors identified be rectified?	There is a sign off process at the district and IU level to assure that data submitted is accurate. These data have already been forwarded to USDE. The time for verification and accuracy is in January and July prior to final submission to PDE. Again, IUs should be working with their districts on an ongoing basis to assure that data submitted is accurate and timely. This issue of error corrections should have been addressed prior to the sign-off process.
General	Can PDE give IUs the same error scripts they utilize so that IU's can run comparable error checks at the IU level before submitted to PDE?	Yes. Refer to the PennData Resource Guide - Appendix C
General	If a student is in a Children's Institutionalized Program, who would report the child if he/she is a Ward of State? Our IU reported directly to the State for these students.	Yes. At this time IUs will continue to report these students.
General	If a student is in jail in a different district than the parents, who counts this student for their 12/1 count? Where the parents live or where the child sits?	Students who are incarcerated in state and juvenile prisons are reported by Corrections Education in the corrections count. For students incarcerated in county prison facilities, the district in which the parents reside (home district) reports the student.
General	We are having some issues with our districts not being able to pull information (ex. Discipline info, PAsSecureID) from other departments within the district. Do you have any suggestions?	Local level discussions need to occur as the failure of the district to report the mandated federal data items will impact the districts' APR Determination.

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General	Is changing the due date to February or March for staff and additions/deletions to be submitted still being discussed?	No
Discipline	Request: Can you give examples & detailed explanations as to how to fill out the disciplinary tables.	IU 20 has prepared a TA document - this can be found at the link for Training Materials on the PennData website.
Discipline	I spoke with someone at Summit Academy to see if I should be calling there for ISS or OSS checks on our students. He explained that they do have OSS, however they don't call it that but if a student needs to spend a few days outside of Summit Academy, they are taken to a sanction unit in Pittsburg where they serve their time and are then returned. I assume that I would not track these as an OSS, even though it is their way of handling an out of school suspension, what do you think?	If a student is removed from the school setting and is not receiving FAPE this is counted as an OSS.
PA SecureID	Should EI have a PaSecureid or use the EIRs number?	MAWAs should use the Student ID number for Preschool children .
PA SecureID	PaSecureID - is this information required for preschool children?	No
Personnel	To confirm; Table 1 and Table 3 for Early Intervention staff will be reported as their own MAWA LEA.	Yes - All Mawa/LEA data must be reported on one file to PSU.
Personnel	Please clarify the definition of HQT. Do the need to be HQT by 12/1/06 or end of school year 06/30/2007? We heard that there is an extension.	Local Level Decision - Based upon the HQT criteria set forth by Teacher Certification under NCLB.
Personnel	Tables 1 & 2: Do paraprofessionals need to be highly qualified?	Yes. They must comply with the NCLB Paraprofessional Requirements.
Personnel	Are EI teachers who are employed by the IU to be put on the district Table 1 also? Some (most) of these teachers are itinerant at several districts or daycare providers.	MAWAs use the same process as their IU. All IU employees will be counted in an aggregate count on Table 1. The IU will include their employees in this submission. District's will report only district employees.

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Personnel	K5 Eligible children served - do staff FTEs serving these children need to be broken down and reported to the home district?	MAWAs use the same process as their IU. All IU employees will be counted in an aggregate count on Table 1. The IU will include their employees in this submission. District's will report only district employees.
Personnel	Personnel - for districts who educate children from other districts - does the FTEs for those staff need to be broken down and reported to the home district?	No. District's will report only district employees.
Personnel	I am a little confused on Table 3. We have IU teachers working in districts. I usually place them on my table 3. Is it true that the districts are now to report them totally or should the IU claim a percentage and the district claim a percentage.	Table 3 should only include paraprofessionals/related service personnel. All IU employees will be counted in an aggregate count on Table 3.
Services Plan	2. Please explain what date you are looking for in Field 23 Services Plan. If parents are allowed to go directly to IU for confidentiality reason, how can a district report this date? Even if the PennData Manager obtained those students from the IU EP Coordinator, we would not be able to give any info to the district to put in their file. Please explain further. I have asked this question before and the answer was that only students with IEP's are reported on PennData.	The IU is the responsible agency for the provision of EP Service Plans and would have this information available to report.
Table 8	If an IEP was started at the end of school and not completed until the beginning of the next school year should this be on Table 8 for the 2006-07 count?	Table 8 is for EVALUATIONS <u>NOT</u> IEPs.
Table 8	Some of our school districts are asking if there are guidelines as far as the days that are to be counted as "school days."	For Table 8 you use your school calendar.

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Table 8	<p>The Resource Guide has a section called “Terminology” it starts on page 109. On page 110, there’s a definition for “school day” – it states: “(1) School day means any day, including a partial day, that children are in attendance at school for instructional purposes. (2) The term school day has the same meaning for all children in school, including children with and without disabilities.” And then it continues on about calculating percentage of time outside of regular classroom, etc. Is this definition of “school day” universal and applicable for Table 8 purposes? One of our districts mentioned that they sometimes count in-service days as school days, so I thought I’d better verify.</p>	<p>Use the definition of school days as provided in the Resource Guide.</p>
EI/Preschool	<p>1. During 7/07 our IU will be submitting and verifying data for 2006-07 school year. (EI will end their school year in mid-August.) We cannot “roll-over” our database until the FINAL 2006-07 child count is verified and final in mid-August. Will a July 2007 EI Aggregate Count be required with updated Status Code, Field 25? If so, that is a problem because we cannot update that field with the proper code until the “roll-over.”</p>	<p>Please refer to the Resource Guide comments for Item 25 to determine the appropriate code for each eligible young child. The code used should reflect the status of the child for the July 1-June 30 school year.</p>
EI/Preschool	<p>Building Data - Does this only impact Preschool?</p>	<p>No</p>
EI/Preschool	<p>Preschool - do we need to track service during scheduled breaks? For Preschool?</p>	<p>This is a state requirement and will be tracked through the monitoring process.</p>

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EI/Preschool	At the May 11th meeting it was stated that Penn State didn't usually collect EI aggregate data file in July, August and September. That was new information for me; I always submitted a monthly aggregate file to them for IU3's MAWA, even during July, August and September. However, if that is the case my question is not applicable if aggregate files will not be collected until October.	Aggregate data will be collected every month.