EMIS Change 26-25: Public Comments & Responses

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Public Comment #1

From: DEW EMISPublicComments <EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2025 1:52 PM
To:
Subject: RE: Change 26-25

Good afternoon,

EMIS change 26-25 is to comply with a federal mandate and is only required for students with disabilities in the exiting student follow up collection. I hope this helps to clarify the change.

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From:
Sent: Wednesday, April 30, 2025 9:06 AM
To: DEW EMISPublicComments <EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov>
Subject: Change 26-25

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We have been very unsuccessful in the last 3 years of being able to collect any of the data you are requesting. Our former students do not want to share their personal information. We sent out **numerous** email requests to complete a survey of the required data requested. This year we have a total of 7 students that have responded out of over 200 students. Last year we were successful in collecting data on a total of 21 students, out of over 200 students. This collection has been a waste of our time and energy that should be used elsewhere for the CURRENT students. All the 26-25 change is

doing is adding even more work. The FW should not be used on report cards because the school district can not and should not be held responsible for reporting on former students. I truly understand the need to collect CTE & Sped Ed students, but the typical students should not be collected.

Public Comment #2

From: DEW EMISPublicComments <EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2025 1:57 PM
To:
Subject: RE: EMIS Change #26-25, Public Comment

Good afternoon,

Thank you for this feedback. I have sent your comments and suggestions to the appropriate staff at the Department.

Thanks,

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From:
Sent: Thursday, May 1, 2025 4:23 PM
To: DEW EMISPublicComments <EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov>
Subject: EMIS Change #26-25, Public Comment

Hi,

This is a beneficial change to align with the previous reporting of follow-up data for students with disabilities; tracking, reporting and getting credit for attempts and non-responses/refusals. Thank you!

The following suggestions about this change were raised up and we were asked to be submit:

- Can we have the ability to track, and report, the **number of attempts?**

- o This additional data element would display to the DEW program office the amount of time LEAs are spending trying to interview/survey prior students, who are now adults, after they exit High School, and have no responsibility to tell their High School LEA what they are doing post-high school.

- Need the ability to code follow-up students who are incarcerated (for SWD, GRAD, CTE)

  - o Because LEAs know where they are but are unable to report accurate data, as unknown seems like incorrect data reporting.

- Can DEW distribute FLUP files earlier, especially for Grads? Since that is the largest group to follow-up on?

  - o LEAs did not receive complete FLUP files for 2024 students until 4/30/25 even though the Follow-Up (FW) Final Collection opened 2/6/25.

  - o Due to over 28 current year EMIS Collections being processed during this time of year, that are critical to funding and accountability data, it presents additional challenges to process data files that are almost a year old. Due to the lateness, it causes issues for LEAs to have adequate time for data quality tracking, alignment and reporting for 2024 gradates, especially. The distraction puts other more important collections at risk because LEAs are trying to manage 2025 current year data reporting.

- Since AU (autism) and JP (jon peterson) students are not to be followed up on, can they be removed from the files when the FLUP files are published?

- Can DEW update the FLUP reports with CTE students, who have already reported during the initial FW collection, so there aren't errors and data analysis concerns for data already received by DEW?

Thank you for your considerations on this proposed EMIS change and related FW data and reports.

Public Comment #3

From: DEW EMISPublicComments <EMISPublicComments@education.ohio.gov>
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Good afternoon,

The exiting student follow up collection and associated measures on the report card are required in law. The Department does leverage the National Student Clearinghouse, however, because we do not have student name, social security number, etc., we are limited in options to link with wage data from other sources.

Thanks,

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From:
Sent: Tuesday, April 29, 2025 1:31 PM
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Subject: EMIS Change #26-25, Public Comment

Follow up reporting places an unreasonable time demand on districts to collect information that graduated students are under no obligation to give. Some families see it as an invasion of privacy to ask for this information.

The information can be displayed on the report card, but should not be a measure. Districts should not be penalized for inability to collect the information.

DEW should have the ability to collect data regarding those employed through ODJFS and has the ability to collect data regarding those in college through the National Clearinghouse. These data resources should be leveraged instead of placing the responsibility on districts to collect this information. Adding a reporting option will not relieve that heavy responsibility.