

**DATA Project
Progress Review
December 2008**

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December DATA Project Progress Review

1 Executive Summary

The 8 planned regional trainings for Strand 2 Instructional have been completed. Local ESDs have also been completing trainings in Strand 1 Instructional. As of the end of December participation is as follows:

Strand 1: 13 districts with 102 participants
Strand 2: 81 districts with 342 participants.

Two additional sessions for Strand 2 Instructional have been planned for February and March. One session will involve Portland Public Schools. The other session will involve participants from the greater Salem area and will be held at ODE. This session will be videotaped in the ODE studio for use in follow-up Webex materials.

Strand 3 Instructional has been developed and is ready for a pilot with Portland Public administrators and teachers at the end of January. The 8-regional ESD schedule begins in February.

The technical training strands have been developed. Strand 1 Technical will be aimed at Superintendents and Business Directors to raise awareness for the need of a "Culture of Data Quality." Strand 2 will train district representative(s) in creating the Culture of Data Quality within their own district. This one-day training will be offered at the same 8 regional ESD sites as were used in the Instructional strand trainings. Strand 3 will be technical training modules available via the web for district personnel involved with data file submissions.

The technical strands will be piloted in a field test with David Douglas School District in January. After refinement, a schedule for roll-out will be created.

2 Summary of Progress for the month of December 2008

2.1 *Review of Activities and Outputs*

2.1.1 **Project Related Meetings**

- Strand 2 Instructional Trainings

- Roseburg – Dec. 9, 10
- DATA Project Overview
 - Clackamas ESD Advisory Committee – Dec. 4

2.1.2 Project Tasks – Completed

- Strand 3 design completed
- Technical strands 1 & 2 designed and ready for pilot

2.1.3 Project Tasks – In Progress

3 Planned Activities for January 2009

3.1 Project Meetings

- SLDS report – January 8
- Strand 3 Instructional Pilot – January 26, 27
- DATA Project Overview
 - ODE Directors – January 7
 - Clackamas ESD Superintendents – January 14

3.2 Project Documentation – Review and/or Approval

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3.3 Project Tasks

- Pilot Strands 1 and 2 Technical – David Douglas School District

4 Attachments

4.1 Bi-Weekly Report 12/19/08

STATUS REPORT	Status: Green [X] Red [] Yellow []		
	Cause: Time [] Scope [] Quality []		
Date covered:	<i>November 29 – December 19, 2008</i>		
Project Name:	<i>DATA Grant</i>		
Project Manager:	<i>Ron Hoppes</i>	Project Director:	<i>Baron Rodriguez</i>
Milestones-Activity Since Last Report (<i>progress/outcomes & problems</i>):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>Presented a DATA Project overview with a focus on the technical training plans to Clackamas ESD tech advisory committee (Dec. 4)</i> ❖ <i>Re-organized the technical strand focus to match audience for state collections.</i> ❖ <i>A new strand 1 technical presentation is finished focusing on district superintendents and business managers to raise the awareness of the need for data quality.</i> ❖ <i>Met with John May, technology/data for David Douglas School District, to discuss technical training strands and solicit them to be a pilot site.</i> ❖ <i>David Douglas School District's Superintendent has committed to be one of the two pilot sites for the technical training strands (start in January)</i> ❖ <i>Visited Clackamas Community College to see their use of an Adobe product for online distance learning. Shared a sample with Mike Mendez for discussion purposes. Similar to Comotiv but records sessions for later viewing and end users only need a browser.</i> ❖ <i>Presented update on technical training work to Baron and Dennis via Comotiv session.</i> 			
Next Period Milestones/Activities (<i>high level outline of how you will get from A-Z</i>):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>Identify a second pilot sites for Technical Training strands (small district)</i> ❖ <i>Present DATA Project Overview to ODE directors (Jan. 7)</i> ❖ <i>SLDS Conference Call (Jan. 8)</i> ❖ <i>Create pilot Strand 2 technical training modules (3-4 modules for 1 hour meetings)</i> 			
Challenges/ Obstacles:		Challenges/ Obstacles Mitigation:	
Comments			
Next status report due January 9, 2009			

4.2 SLDS Monthly Status Report 12/11/08

SLDS MONTHLY STATUS NOTES

STATE: OREGON

DATE: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008

FROM: ELEANOR WANG

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ACTION ITEM STATUS:

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED:

QUESTIONS:

NOTES:

**Written update submitted by Oregon Department of Education (ODE) in place of December 2008 SLDS call.*

1. Professional Development – Instructional Strand 2.

Updates:

A total of 4 training sessions were held during the month of November. This brings the total number of training sessions to 10. As of the end of November, 71 districts were represented with a total of 277 participants.

Challenges/Obstacles & Areas Needing Improvement:

Breakthroughs/Victories:

Expected Accomplishments by Next Monthly Update:

We have added one more training session that will be held at the beginning of December in Roseburg, OR.

2. Professional Development – Instructional Strand 3

Updates:

Groundwork has been completed in the design of Instructional Strand 3 – Using Data to Improve Learning in the Classroom. The University of Arkansas will be creating this strand of training with a planned roll-out date of February 2009.

Challenges/Obstacles & Areas Needing Improvement:

Breakthroughs/Victories:

Expected Accomplishments by Next Monthly Update:

3. Technical Training Strands

Updates:

The decision was made to focus the initial trainings at district personnel responsible for state data collections. Strand 1 training will focus upon creating an awareness/need for identification of essential duties that when met would create an improved Culture of Data Quality. Strand 2 training will focus on sharing a basic model and helping districts create their own organizational plan to meet the responsibilities of a Data Quality Steward. A pilot is planned to be ready by January 2009. Strand 3 will focus on creating web-based modules that provide training and technical support for data collections. These modules will be created in coordination with the ODE Collection Helpdesk.

Challenges/Obstacles & Areas Needing Improvement:

Breakthroughs/Victories:

The ability to meet with different educational enterprise stakeholders had really assisted us in determining the make up of the Technical Training Strands.

Expected Accomplishments by Next Monthly Update:

4. Data Warehouse Vendor (KIDS III Project)

Updates:

Final ODE review of the contract is completed. DOJ will complete a final review of the contract prior to formal approval.

Challenges/Obstacles & Areas Needing Improvement:

Breakthroughs/Victories:

Expected Accomplishments by Next Monthly Update:

Contract signed and vendor work starts.

5. Population of regional data to ODE central ODS

Updates:

All 6 regional data warehouse providers are submitting data and are working on correcting errors.

Challenges/Obstacles & Areas Needing Improvement:

Breakthroughs/Victories:

Over 50 % of the state's student records have been submitted through the regional data warehouses. New student records continue to be added.

Expected Accomplishments by Next Monthly Update:

Increase in amount of data submitted and reduction of errors

6. OSAT ODS

Updates:

Conversion of historical test data into the OSAT ODS has started.

Challenges/Obstacles & Areas Needing Improvement:

Testing vendor does not use unique test ID's and this has created an issue with data from different years being consolidated under the wrong year. A plan was put in place to resolve the test ID problem.

Breakthroughs/Victories: Almost all records for all years have been loaded.

A plan was put in place to resolve the test ID problem.

Expected Accomplishments by Next Monthly Update:

Conversion of historical test data into the OSAT ODS completed.

User acceptance testing to validate all data started.

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL: Thursday, January 8, 2009, 11:30 a.m. (ET)