Student Interchange Collection Timeline

2026-2027

The **Student Interchange** files are utilized across many data collections throughout the school year. LEAs are encouraged to upload student interchange files regularly throughout the school year. Files include the Student Demographic (DEM), Student School Association (SSA), Graduation Guidelines (GG), and Adjustments (ADJ).

Notes:

- LEAs who choose to use tagged DEM & SSA files should be aware that OCT tagged files only apply to the Student October collection. DEC tagged files only apply to the Special Education December Collection. All other connected data collections utilize untagged DEM & SSA files.
- The GG and ADJ files are only used as part of the Student End of Year collection.
    - The GG file may be uploaded at any point throughout the reporting year so LEAs may leverage related student interchange reports.
    - The ADJ file may only be uploaded during the Student End of Year collection timeframe.

Collection Checkpoints and Other Dates

Date	Event	Event Description
7/20/2026 9:00-10:30am	Training	Student Interchange Overview (Option 1 of 2) *This training session is offered in two identical sessions. Topics include general data respondent information, student interchange files and process, 2026-2027 changes, timeline, business rules, and much more!* **Register for 7/20 training**
7/29/2026	Open	DEM, SSA, and GG files open
8/14/2026 1:00-2:30pm	Training Event	Student Interchange Overview (Option 2 of 2) *This training session is offered in two identical sessions. Topics include general data respondent information, student interchange files and process, 2026-2027 changes, timeline, business rules, and much more!* **Register for 8/14 training**
9/25/2026	Collection Checkpoint	Student October: Upload initial DEM & SSA files
10/9/2026	Collection Checkpoint	Student October: Error-free DEM & SSA files
11/2/2026	Other Date	Upload initial GG file • *Allows LEAs to utilize CEDAR/COGNOS reports to monitor potential 2026-2027 graduates for GG completion* • *CEDAR/COGNOS reports for GG monitoring require untagged DEM & SSA file uploads*
12/16/2026	Collection Checkpoint	SPED December: Error-Free DEM & SSA files

Date	Event	Event Description
1/1/2027	Other Date	All Spring Collections only utilize untagged DEM & SSA files. LEAs who chose to use tag files for OCT or DEC should
1/29/2027	Other Date	Upload DEM, SSA, and GG files and address errors related to mid-year transfers.
3/11/2027	Collection Checkpoint	Upload DEM & SSA files • ***LEAs are expected to have an upload date 3/1/2027 or later to meet this Collection Checkpoint*** • *Student Discipline, SPED Discipline, WIDA ACCESS SBD*
3/17/2027	Other Date	Error-free DEM & SSA files records when matching record in *WIDA ACCESS SBD*
4/1/2027	Other Date	Upload DEM, SSA, & GG files to begin preparing for remaining Spring student-level collections • *Assessment SBD, Student Attendance, Student End of Year, READ Spring Assessments, SPED End of Year, TSDL, PWR Collection*
4/27/2027	Other Date	Error-free DEM & SSA files for use in the *Assessment SBD* snapshot
5/6/2027	Open	ADJ file opens *This file is only used in the Student End of Year collection under for specific circumstances related to the AYG Cohort.*
5/6/2027	Collection Checkpoint	Upload DEM, SSA, GG for use in Spring collections • ***LEAs are expected to have an upload date 4/1/2027 or later to meet this Collection Checkpoint*** • *SSA file should include attendance data from this point forward*
5/27/2027	Collection Checkpoint	Error-free DEM & SSA files • *Student Discipline, SPED Discipline, READ Spring Assessments, AEC Renewal file*
6/10/2027	Collection Checkpoint	Error-free interchange files (all Spring collections) • *Student Attendance, Student End of Year, SPED EOY, TSDL*
6/10/2027 to 11/30/2027	Other Dates: Error-free window	Maintain error free interchange files throughout the remainder of the interchange timeframe
11/30/2027	Closed	DEM, SSA, GG, and ADJ files close

Connected Collections

Error free student interchange records are required for a student's interchange data to be utilized in a data collection.

Connected Student Collection	Collection Type	2026-2027 Collection Window
Alternative Education Campus (AEC) Collection: Renewal Applicant File	Periodic	March/April 2027
Assessment SBD	Snapshot	April/May 2027
PWR Data Collection (WBL & IRC files)	Periodic	April to June 2027
READ: Spring Assessments file	Periodic	April to June 2027
SPED December	Snapshot	November 2026 to February 2027
SPED End of Year	Snapshot	May to September 2027
Student Attendance	Snapshot	April to July 2027
Student Discipline	Snapshot	April to June 2027
Student End of Year	Snapshot	May to December 2027
Student October	Snapshot	August to November 2026
Student Restraint and Seclusion	Periodic	April to June 2027
Summer EBT	Periodic	February 2027 (main collection); May-August 2027 (corrections window)
Teacher Student Data Link (TSDL)	Snapshot	February to September 2027
WIDA ACCESS SBD	Periodic	March 2027

Collection Event Definitions

Event	Definition
Open	Interchange is available for LEAs.
Other Date	An important date for the data collection as determined by the collection lead. More information is provided in the event description.
Training Event	Opportunity for data respondents to learn more details for the collection.
Collection Checkpoint	LEAs are strongly encouraged to meet these criteria by this date to remain on track for this collection.
Closed	Interchange is no longer available for LEAs.