





TEDS Monthly Notes

CTE Technical Education Database System Updates

December 2016

Simple Gifts (Lexington Brass Band)

Sometimes it's the simplest gifts that make people happy. So, my simple gift to you is an update on KOSSA and TRACK.

Industry Certifications and KOSSA lists are now updated in TEDS. You can use the KOSSA Test Ticket Report to see if all your students are properly entered in TEDS and have the appropriate KOSSA test tickets.

This is also a gift of time. Get your updates done early. Don't wait until the last week. Every possible distraction will come your way if you do. It's just Murphy's Law. Remember that imports and changes don't update on reports until the next day and January 15 is a Sunday. Don't let your simple gift turn into a lump of coal!



Gift of Gab

(Shawty Lo)

Most people who know me know I don't talk much. Writing on the other hand... forget about it! This is an intentionally short newsletter. Only a few things matter this time of year. Mostly it revolves around peace, love and care for each other. The sole purpose of this month's newsletter is to remind you not to forget about our kids. They depend on us for guidance and protection. Make sure you give these all important gifts by ensuring their information is correct in TEDS so they can take advantage of the opportunities before them. Remember: Don't give to get. Rather give because it is right. After all,

> We rise by LIFTING OTHERS

> > - Robert Ingersoll

Never look a Gift horse in the mouth... *(old proverb)*

You are absolutely right! This is not a song title! It is, however, important to consider this time of year.

Sometimes we want a gift to come to us is a certain way and on our terms. When it doesn't, we tend to not consider it a gift at all. In hindsight, we usually realize that the gift was not only timely, but important. I present to you now a gift horse...

There will be two more secondary school TEDS training sessions before the January 15 KOSSA deadline. They will be held on **December 14, 2016** and **January 5, 2017** in Frankfort. The registration link can be found on the <u>TEDS home webpage</u>.

The Sweetest Gift (Sade)

What do you call a gift that you either forgot about or didn't realize you needed? The Sweetest gift. This sweet gift is a reminder: A student is not preparatory until they meet the definition of preparatory.

Every CTE student is "Exploring" until they meet the definition for Preparatory.

"Preparatory" means the student has <u>completed two</u> <u>credits</u> (evidenced on the transcript) in a career pathway and has <u>enrolled in the third</u> credit (evidenced on a current year schedule) for the same pathway. As you update your student data in preparation for KOSSA and track, make sure you are following the guidelines and properly identifying your students.

Stir the Gift (Deitrick Haddon)

Sometimes gifts can be friendly reminders. It has come to our attention that we need to stir the gift (you know - say it again. Beginning this year, when you imported your data into TEDS from IC, a script ran for new enrollments to ensure that each new enrollment has one and only one federal indicator and, if necessary, the indicator is on a preparatory pathway. **HOWEVER**, the script does not fix existing errors. So...

if you did not run your duplicate federal indicator report last year, you should do so now to ensure your data is clean and accurate. If you take care of this NOW and get a blank report, you will be able to enjoy your gift. Don't wait until the middle of January because all you will stir is unpleasant feelings.

The Gift of Time...

	Data Cleanup Month
December	Ensure students are correctly identified as exploring or preparatory
January 15, 2017	Deadline for Students to be marked Preparatory for KOSSA and TRACK

