



CIITS News You Can Use

CIITS News, a supplement to the KSIS & More newsletter, is focused on CIITS data quality. CIITS data comes from Infinite Campus, Kentucky's Student Information System (KSIS); therefore, it is important to know how KSIS data is used and the critical need for accuracy.

CIITS Leadership Custom Roles Now Available

Two new CIITS custom roles have been added to the Title drop-down selections on the District Assignments tab in Infinite Campus. The new roles are CIITS District Leadership and CIITS School Leadership. KDE created these roles for school-level assistant principals and district-level instructional supervisors and assistant superintendents to facilitate use of the Education Development Suite (EDS) for the Professional Growth and Effectiveness System (PGES). **Do not assign these roles to principals or superintendents.**

These custom roles may be added to district and school staff just like any other CIITS custom role. Districts should carefully review staff requests before provisioning these roles, as the individuals who are assigned either of these roles will have the same permissions as leadership (principals and superintendents). It is recommended that these new roles be provisioned only for select users such as instructional supervisors, assistant principals, directors of federal programs, etc.

All custom roles assigned on the District Assignments tab in Infinite Campus are related to an institution (district office or school). It is important to remember that the user will have the custom role at the institution level where the custom role is assigned. If the custom role is provisioned at the district office, the user will have the custom role at all institutions in the district. If the custom role is provisioned at a school, then the user will have the custom role assigned only at that school.

For detailed steps and screenshots on assigning default and custom roles for district and school staff, please see the [Assigning CIITS Roles and Permissions through Infinite Campus](#) training document.

2012-13 ACT Scores Available

2012-13 juniors' ACT scores are available in CIITS. To view standardized assessment scores for a student, search for the student, then click Standardized Tests tab on the Student Profile. Use the Show Filters button to filter to the test you wish to view.

To view standardized assessment reports for a district, follow this path: **School & District Data Module > Preformatted Reports > Standardized Assessment Performance.**

CIITS District Webcasts

KDE conducted a CIITS Update for Districts webcast Aug. 22 using Lync Online Meeting Space. The session covered new CIITS features and functionality and provided a chance for district staff to ask questions. KDE will conduct additional sessions 2-3 p.m. EDT Sep. 25 and Oct. 24. Chief academic officers will receive an Outlook meeting invitation and an agenda prior to each session. All sessions will be recorded and available on the [CIITS training Web page](#).

Updates to CIITS

A number of enhancements have been made to the Instructional Management System within CIITS. Here is a summary of the new features:

- Assessment capabilities have been extended to more fully support complex performance-based tasks.
- Test authors can incorporate audio and video files into assessments as part of the assessment items, passages or answer choices for delivery to students through the online test tunnel.
- New tools have been added to the student's test-taking toolbox, including a four-function calculator, scientific calculator, graphing calculator and formula sheet.

Renaissance Learning Data added to CIITS

KDE entered into a partnership agreement with Renaissance Learning to add interim assessment data to CIITS. Renaissance provides the data through an efficient direct data transfer to Schoolnet, our CIITS vendor.

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), districts that want their Renaissance Learning assessment data included in CIITS must provide authorization by completing this [Data Disclosure Authorization](#) form. Return the signed agreement to [Maritta Horne](#), CIITS service lead.

Enhancement to CIITS Gradebook Transfer Process

Enhancements have been made to the process that sends grades from CIITS to Infinite Campus. For enhancement details, please see the [KSIS Notification](#) sent to KSIS contacts Aug. 27. (KSIS Notifications are available on the [KSIS Alerts and Notifications](#) Web page for 60 days.)