



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 15.2 Release Includes Numerous Enhancements

The new 15.2 version of CIITS is available for all users and includes enhancements in the Instructional Management System. Some of the key highlights are:

- **Performance-based Tasks** – Districts and schools are able to aggregate data on performance-based tasks as well as administer the assessment via system-generated answer sheets.
- **New Technology Enhanced Hot Spot** – Test authors are able to author, edit and report against Hot Spot assessment items.
- **Accommodations** – Students with visual impairments

have expanded supports to use screen readers, magnification and Braille printer support when taking an assessment in the test tunnel.

- **Enhanced Language Support** – Test authors are able to author assessment items in German and French. Students also may construct assessment responses in German, French and Spanish.

Click [here](#) for detailed information about the new enhancements.

For questions, contact CIITS Service Manager [Maritta Horne](#).

Advisory: CIITS Password Reset Coming December 21

To enforce stronger security measures, the KDE CIITS administrator will reset all CIITS user passwords Dec. 21. Your CIITS password should contain a lowercase letter (a, b, c,); an uppercase letter (A, B, C,); and at least one number (1, 2, 3,). One way to create a strong password is by using a passphrase that is easy for you to remember, randomly capitalize various letters and turn some letters into numbers. As an example, take the phrase "CIITS Is Great" and change it to "CiitsisGreat." Next, turn some letters into numbers, such as "C11ts1sGr3at." This is only an example; please do not use this as your password.

State-Sponsored Curriculum Manager Training Available

KDE will sponsor Curriculum Manager training in December and January. It will be open to 25 districts for each daylong session. Half a day will be on how to use the Curriculum Manager tool and the rest of the day will be devoted to working with participants on entering their district curriculum. Click [here](#) to register. Dates and locations for this training are:

- Western Kentucky Educational Cooperative (WKEC), Dec. 5
- Green River Regional Educational Cooperative (GRREC), Dec. 6
- Jefferson County Public Schools, Dec. 9 and 10
- Corbin, Dec. 11 and 12
- Northern Kentucky, Jan. 2014

State Summative Assessments Now Available in CIITS

K-Prep, Alternate K-Prep, Student Growth Percentile for Reading, Student Growth Percentile for Math, and End-of-Course for Algebra II, English II, Biology and U. S. History

are now available in CIITS. You can view this data using the new Key Performance Indicators (KPI) or the pre-formatted report feature.

New CIITS Contact Roles

As KDE continues to move toward one collection system for school and district contacts, we have changed names for some of the CIITS contact roles and added new contact roles. Please see the table below for the new and expanded list of CIITS contact roles that are available for districts to assign. To assign a contact role to an individual, see a Web Apps Administrator Point of Contact (WAAPOC) in your district. For a complete list of WAAPOCs in your district, click [here](#). For more information on People Manager (aka Person Role Manager), see the October [KSIS and More](#) newsletter.

Contact Role	Description
CIITS Primary Point of Contact – District (previous name: Continuous Instructional Improvement Technology System (CIITS) Point of Contact – District)	assign to only one district level individual per district to ensure receipt of important CIITS communications from KDE
CIITS Primary Point of Contact – School (previous name: Continuous Instructional Improvement Technology System (CIITS) Point of Contact – School)	assign to only one school level individual per school
CIITS Alternative Point of Contact – District (new)	assign to an unlimited number of individuals at the district or school level
CIITS Alternative Point of Contact – School (new)	