



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 Version 15.4 features

The new CIITS version 15.4, scheduled for release in April, will include changes in the Instructional Management System (IMS). Enhancements to the Instructional Management System (IMS) include:

- Equation Editor: updated characters/symbols
- Teacher Notes for Items/Assessments
- Anchor Papers
- Enhanced ScanIt Upgrade Process
- Item statistics in Item Central
- Authoring and student input in Latin, Italian, and Chinese (simplified)
- Improved EQUELLA integration for assessment items
- Support for newest item types on Android tablets
- Faster searching for tests, and overall test tunnel maintenance
- QTI updates

(Continued development work is in progress to support the additional multiple measures for supporting teachers to complete Professional Growth Plans and Self Reflections. Pearson has scheduled this development to be complete for the 2014-15 school year.)

An overview of release 15.4 is available [here](#).

Do you have comments or suggestions for the newsletter? Please contact linda.burton@education.ky.gov.

CIITS HELP

It is extremely important that districts report CIITS issues to:

- CIITS Help Desk at 855-435-7459, or ciitshelp@schoolnet.com – include a cc to [Maritta Horne](#), CIITS service manager at KDE

For more information on CIITS Help resources available on-line, click [here](#).

KDE and SchoolNet continue to work together to improve performance issues. Districts confirm that they have experienced improvements from system upgrades that were put in place through January; however, there is indication that some districts are still experiencing issues. We need specifics on these issues, especially if the problem is slowness or latency, documented through CIITS Help Desk tickets to fully research issues. Specifics on what users are experiencing and in what application the issues are occurring is critical to help diagnose the problems. Please remind teachers and staff in schools that they can individually report all issues to the CIITS Help Desk.

2013 Social-Emotional/Self-Help assessment data available

2013 Social-Emotional/Self-Help (part of K-Screen) assessment data is now available in CIITS.

To view the assessment data, go to School & District Data > Pre-Formatted Reports > Standardized Assessment Performance, or click on the Standardized Assessment tab on the Student Profile.

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