

Introduction

As a service of the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team (FCMAT), California School Information Services (CSIS) assists LEAs in addressing a variety of challenges in the management and exchange of school student, staff, and institutional information. This report provides a summary of CSIS work over the last two months.

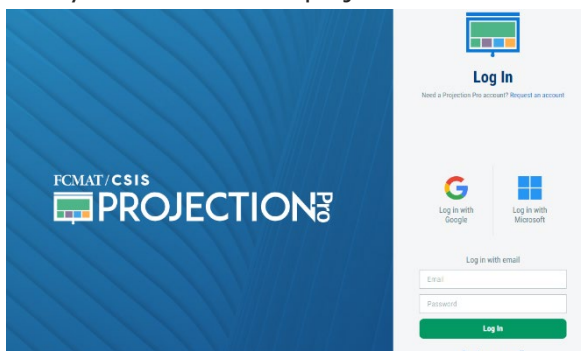
New FCMAT Website

The CSIS development team helped FCMAT launch a new feature-rich website redesigned for accessibility and mobile users. The site features the latest news headlines and the ability search FCMAT publications and reports with an easy to navigate UI.



Projection-Pro

The initial release of Projection-Pro, FCMAT's new multiyear and cash flow projection software is finally



here! [Projection-Pro](#) opened to the public in August. CSIS developers and testers collaborated with FCMAT to develop a multiyear and cash flow projection software that can be used by multiple types of LEAs, including school districts, charter schools, and county offices. Any LEA that reports financials using SACS can use the SACS export or similar file from its financial system in Projection-Pro to generate the base year of the projection. For charter schools that report using the charter alternative format, Projection-Pro uses an Excel template to generate the base year of the projection.

The projection that is initially created from this data will contain many elements of a quality projection. LEAs then customize it with local information to produce a complete projection. The results can be used by LEAs in preparing budgets, interim reports, and year-end financial reports.

Learn more at one of the [15 training workshops](#) with sites across the state.

CALPADS

As part of the CALPADS team, CSIS business analysts, developers, testers, trainers, and service desk agents assist the California Department of Education (CDE) in the maintenance, operations, and support of CALPADS. During this period, the CALPADS team continues to make additional improvements to the CALPADS system:

- Implementing year rollover changes including new nonbinary gender code, new file formats validations, and functionality for reporting data about students with disabilities (SWD).
- Finalizing data collection requirements for 2019-20, including working with CDE to restructure course file layouts and course codes for assignment monitoring, and discipline file layouts to allow for multiple disciplinary actions

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for an incident and collection of restraints/seclusion data.

CALPADS - IMPORTANT DATES

October 2, 2019 – Fall 1 starts
 December 6, 2019 – LEA Approvals Due
 December 20, 2019 – Fall 1 Certification Deadline

[More dates ...](#)

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES (SWD) DATA

User acceptance testing with vendors and LEAs using special education system APIs ended in August. These efforts are helping to improve CALPADS with additional validations as well as highlighting the need for LEAs and charters to examine local data entry procedures and cross-department data review and verification practices.

CALPADS LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

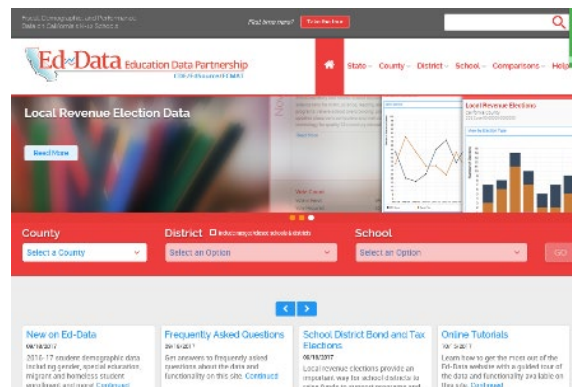
New learning opportunities for Fall 1 and Fall 2 submissions are under way and will address SWD reporting and the new LEA and SELPA certification workflow. CSIS is partnering with CDE and CETPA to offer CETPA regional groups additional [CASEMIS to CALPADS learning opportunities](#). CSIS is currently creating additional resources and courses to address training needs for newer CALPADS features such as assignment monitoring.

CALPADS INFORMATION MEETING (CIM)

Do you know how CALPADS data are used? LEAs are strongly encouraged to attend the next CIM, scheduled for October 8, 2019 to learn about system updates, upcoming changes in CALPADS, and assessments and accountability updates.

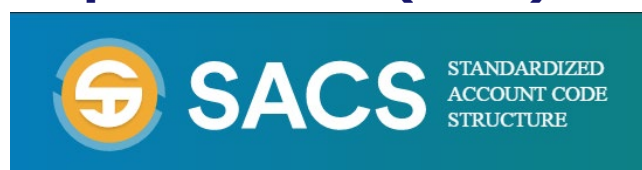
Ed-Data

Ed-Data is a partnership of the CDE, EdSource, and FCMAT designed to offer quick access to timely and comprehensive data about K-12 education in California. As part of the Ed-Data partnership, CSIS



works with the CDE and EdSource to maintain and enhance the [Ed-Data website](#). In the last two months, CSIS continues to improve the site with minor enhancements and bug fixes.

SACS System Replacement (SSR)



The SSR system will be a modern, web-based system designed and purposefully built through a multi-year project to satisfy the needs of the CDE, California's local educational agencies and their county offices in collecting, reviewing, and disseminating LEA financial data.

The SACS business analysis team is continuing to detail the remaining requirements and is expected to have the full scope of the project defined by November 2019. The SACS development team has doubled in size and is now working synchronously as two sprinting teams. The teams are in their 14th sprint with approximately 18 months to complete the software. All new features are tested with automated regression tests and continuous integration and continuous delivery to the sandbox and testing environments.

SACS FIRST GLIMPSE AT THE CBO SYMPOSIUM

Join us November 21, 2019 at the [CASBO CBO Symposium](#). We will introduce attendees to the security model, dataset workflow, and other new features of the web-based SACS System.