



Technical Update LLS-2014-01

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Upcoming Modifications to NSLDS

This information is intended for the person in your organization who is responsible for working with the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS). Please ensure the appropriate person receives this update.

Introduction

The purpose of this Technical Update is to inform lenders and lender servicers of the following upcoming modifications to NSLDS:

- New Enrollment Status Code
- Enrollment Reporting Notification File Enhancements

These changes will be implemented on **April 14, 2014**.

New Enrollment Status Code

A new enrollment status code will be added to Enrollment Reporting to collect $\frac{3}{4}$ (three-quarter) time status from schools. NSLDS will use the letter 'Q' to represent $\frac{3}{4}$ time. Below are the Enrollment Status Codes, to include the new 'Q' code:

F – Full-Time	G – Graduated
Q – Three-Quarter Time	W – Withdrawn
H – Half-Time	D – Deceased
L – Less Than Half-Time	X – Never Attended
A – Leave of Absence	Z – Record Not Found

The new 'Q' status will be included in data exchange files, reports, and displayed on the [NSLDS Professional Access](#) Web site.

Enrollment Reporting Notification File Enhancements

The Enrollment Reporting Notification file will be updated to include the new enrollment status of 'Q' (three-quarter) time collected from schools.

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Additionally, the School Code will be updated to an 8-digit OPEID field instead of a combination of the 6-digit school code with the 2-digit school branch code. This change will allow NSLDS to accept school locations for schools which have more than 99 locations and subsequently report those certified/attended OPEIDs on outbound files to data providers, schools, and trading partners.

Note: The OPEID is the combination of the 6 digit school code and the 2 digit school location code. If a school has more than 99 locations, the first digit of the OPEID is then incremented to 1. If the school has more than 199 locations, the first digit is then incremented to 2, and so forth. For example, location 00 = 06789900, location 101 = 16789901, location 202 = 26789902.

The updated file layout is now available in the [NSLDS Record Layouts section of the IFAP Web site](#).

For detailed instructions on how to sign up to receive the weekly Enrollment Reporting Notification file from NSLDS, refer to [Technical Update LLS-2012-04, “NSLDS Enrollment Reporting Including Lender/Lender Servicer Enrollment Notification File Setup,” dated July 6, 2012](#). Note that as stated in previous communications, the enrollment data received from NSLDS is the data the Department considers to be the certified record from the school and the record upon which servicing action should be taken. Entities receiving data directly from NSLDS will use the NSLDS records as the ‘actionable’ information.

If you have any questions, please contact the NSLDS Customer Support Center at 800/999-8219 or by e-mail at NSLDS@ed.gov.