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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents  
District IT Directors  
District Testing and Accountability Roundtable

**FROM:** Sheila Quinn, Deputy Superintendent  
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**DATE:** September 17, 2015

**RE:** New Student Data Collection Software

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Testing and Accountability Roundtable on the South Carolina Department of Education's (SCDE) upcoming transition to a new student data collection tool: Enrich Data Collection. This software will assist the SCDE and districts in completing regular data collections from Power School in a more efficient manner.

The Enrich Data Collection tool has been evaluated and tested by 15 volunteer districts over the past 15 months during a test pilot. All pilot survey respondents reported that the Enrich Data Collection tool is easier to use and more accommodating because it allows users to either schedule unattended collections/submissions, or start the process and let it run unattended.

Despite the success of the Enrich Data Collection Pilot, it is necessary to point out facts about the system; please see responses below to frequently asked questions:

i. **What data is collected by Enrich?**

The data collected from the district's PowerSchool system includes the following categories of elements, all of which are currently collected in the SIS Web Extract and Export Tool (SWEET) process.

- Student Demographics
- Enrollments
- Attendance
- Discipline
- Teachers and class rosters
- Final course grades
- IGP data
- Diploma orders, graduates, and dropouts
- Funding data
- Student special program enrollments
- Precode

**ii. What data is NOT collected by Enrich Data Collection Software?**

Enrich program data (IEP, RTI, 504, etc.) is NOT collected by Enrich Data Collection. The only assessment data that will be collected is the Dial3/Dial4 scores for pre-kindergarten students, which has been part of the SWEET collection to date. The district can easily view the data collection queries and tables to verify what is being sent to the SCDE.

**iii. Who has access to the data collected?**

The collected data is sent directly from the district to the SCDE where the staff accesses it for reporting purposes.

**iv. Where is the data stored?**

The collected data is received into the Enrich Central database at SCDE. It is then moved by SCDE staff to various data repositories for reporting.

**v. How does this software compare to Enrich IEP?**

The Enrich Data Collection tool is also used by district special education staff for their annual state and federal reporting. However, Enrich security allows the PowerSchool and Special Education collections to be segmented so that district special education staff can view ONLY the special education collections, and PowerSchool staff can view ONLY the PowerSchool collections. The data tables are completely separate from each other.

The executive summary of the pilot and implementation timeline are attached for your review. If you have any further questions regarding the Enrich Data Collection Pilot, please contact Will Ladson at [WLadson@ed.sc.gov](mailto:WLadson@ed.sc.gov) or Susan Bell at [SBell2@ed.sc.gov](mailto:SBell2@ed.sc.gov).