EDFacts Overview and History

- **EDFacts** is a U.S. Department of Education (ED) initiative to collect, analyze, report on and promote the use of high-quality, kindergarten through grade 12 performance data.

- These data are used in planning, policymaking, and budget decision-making along with grant and program management at ED.

- **EDFacts** centralizes data provided by state education agencies (SEAs) on the state, local education agencies (LEAs), and schools.

- **EDFacts** relies on the Education Data Exchange Network (EDEN), which is a centralized portal through which states submit their educational data to ED.
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- Final regulations published on January 25, 2007 under 72 FR 3698 require that SEAs use the system for submission of all data collected by EDFacts beginning with data collected for SY 2008-09.

- The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approves the EDFacts data set before collection begins. Current clearance through school year 2012-13 collection.

- Each SEA identifies a staff member to serve as the EDFacts Coordinator, who is the official SEA contact for the EDFacts team.

- EDFacts does not collect individual student- or staff-level information. All information provided to EDFacts is aggregated at the school, district, or state level. None of the information is personally identifiable to individual students or staff members.
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Data Collected via ED Facts

- **Data on Student Counts:**
  - Membership and demographics
  - Program participation (IDEA, ESEA programs, Perkins CTE)
  - Academic Outcomes
    - State assessment system participation and results
    - Graduation and Dropout
    - Postsecondary Enrollment and Credit Earning (SFSF Metric – Pending)

- **Data on Administrators, Faculty and Staff:**
  - Classes taught by Highly Qualified Teachers
  - Teacher Evaluations (SFSF Metric – Pending)

- **Data on Districts and Schools:**
  - Computer/Technology Counts
  - Accountability Determinations (AYP and School Improvement)
  - Courses offered (Civil Rights Data Collection)
EDFacts Systems

- EDEN Submission System (ESS)
  - Designed in 2003-04 (.NET and SQL programmed)
  - Enhanced each year, based upon batch file submissions

- EDFacts Reporting System
  - Implemented in 2005
  - Internal Cognos-based tools for ED offices

- EDFacts Metadata and Process System (EMAPS)
  - Implemented in 2008
  - Utilizes Appian Enterprise to gather and maintain metadata, contextual explanations from states and data status
EDFacts and Common Education Data Standards (CEDS)

- **2007** – EDFacts ‘proof-of-concept’ implemented with South Carolina to submit data to ESS without batch files. Utilized technology and processes of SIF

- **2010** – Version 1 of CEDS released.
  - Focus upon data elements for K-12 to Postsecondary transition
  - 161 elements, definitions and code set values

- **2011** – EDFacts Modernization
  - Planning is underway to update the EDEN Submission System
  - Database to database transmission may help to relieve reporting burden on state education agency employees
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- **Work Underway**
  - Validate mapping done by CCSSO’s P20 State Core work on student and teacher level data needed for EDFacts reporting
  - Identify the gap between CEDS v1 and the student level requirements across EDFacts Data Groups
  - Conduct alternatives analysis on possible reprogramming needed to remove ESS dependency upon batch files

- **Work Planned for 2011**
  - Represent EDFacts on the CEDS v2 Technical Working Group
  - Develop requirements for ESS modernization
  - Begin first phase of ESS modernization