

## Home Base/RttT Biweekly Update



March 5, 2015

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## **NEW THIS WEEK**

### **Teacher Spotlight**

This week's [Teacher Spotlight](#) features this trio of teachers from West Craven Middle School, Sue Zingher, Haley Brown and Deborah Roll, described by their fellow educators as a "well-oiled machine" due to their collaborative team organization. These science teachers share how they collaboratively select questions, develop assessments, administer assessments and analyze their data from the Schoolnet Item Bank and Schoolnet Reports.

Classroom teachers, if you want us to feature your video and let us know how you use Home Base, please send an email to [Home Base Ready](#).

### **The Collaborative Conference for Student Achievement, March 30 - April 1**

The 2015 Collaborative Conference for Student Achievement (CCSA), March 30 - April 1, at the Sheraton Four Seasons/Joseph S. Koury Convention Center, 3121 High Point Road in Greensboro, is quickly approaching. Don't miss these relevant and notable sessions:

- Sparking Hope: Teaching as a Catalyst to Launching Great Learning – Sean McComb, 2014 National Teacher of the Year
- Your School's Brand Determines Student Outcomes *plus* Effective Vice-Principal Leadership – Baruti Kafele, School Leadership and Development
- The Resilience Revolution – Brooks Gibbs, Featured Presenter
- The Literacy Solution: More Reading, More Knowledge – Elfrieda Hiebert, TextProject, University of California, Santa Cruz
- Transforming 21st Century Teaching and Learning: Demographically Speaking – James H. Johnson, University of North Carolina, Kenan-Flagler Business

In addition, hear presentations from a group of important stakeholders – our students:

- Do You Know Me? – Hoke County Middle School Students
- Words as Weapons for Positive Change – Poetry Project, Guilford County Schools
- Student Six – Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools

Don't delay - learn more and register for the conference today!

<http://www.ncpublicschools.org/academicservices/conference/>

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### **Home Base Website Updated with Schoolnet Roles and Permissions Documents**

The Schoolnet Roles and Permissions webpages have been updated. Please check out <http://bit.ly/1ENLrEF> to find the latest documentation and information about setting up user roles and permissions for Schoolnet.

## **2013-14 Standardized Test Data Available in Schoolnet**

Additional standardized test data is now available in Schoolnet. The EOC/EOG data from 2013-14 has been added along with ACT, PLAN, EXPLORE, DIBELS and TRC data. The data can be found on the student profile under the standardized test data tab or in preformatted or custom reports on standardized test data.

To go with this additional data, Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for standardized test data have also been enabled for users. You can access the new KPIs under School and District Data Module within Schoolnet on the same dashboard where you already have access to benchmark test KPIs. The list below is the complete list of standardized test data that can currently be found in Schoolnet.

2012-13 and 2013-14 EOG and EOC

2012-13 and 2013-14 ACT, PLAN, EXPLORE

2012-13 and 2013-14 DIBELS and TRC

2012-13 CTE Post-Assessments (HS)

## **Department Codes in Schoolnet**

The effort to clean up and resolve issues related to department codes from PowerSchool to Schoolnet is complete. In Schoolnet, you will now see the full list of department codes and the mappings of courses match the same mappings in PowerSchool. This is especially helpful when scheduling assessments and/or mapping curriculum so please note you will now have the complete list of departments to improve your searching for courses.

## **Benchmarking Soon? Let Us Know When**

The NCDPI is pleased to report that Schoolnet continues to provide a stable instructional improvement system with no known system-wide issues. We are still continuing to improve and monitor Schoolnet, especially during peak usage times like when many districts administer their benchmark tests. In order for us to have the most up-to-date information in one place and to be able to anticipate peak testing time, we ask that you fill out a quick and simple form at <http://goo.gl/MB5oax> to let us know about your plans for benchmarking.

We look forward to hearing from you about your benchmark plans.

## **Coming in July 2015! Logging into Home Base with the IAM Service**

You may know by now that the IAM Service will be replacing the "PowerSchool Single Sign-on" solution after the 2014-2015 End-of-Year processing, July 6. With this change, all North Carolina K-12 students and employees will login to Home Base applications using their NCEdCloud username and password. The accounts are currently available and LEAs and Charter Schools can begin providing students and employees their accounts at any time. Employees can follow the "Claim Account" process described in [For Teachers and Staff](#) on the [NCEdCloud IAM Website](http://ncedcloud.mcnc.org) (ncedcloud.mcnc.org). Students' accounts will be issued by their teachers, who have access to their students' usernames and initial passwords. Parents will continue to use the PowerSchool Parent Portal for access to student information.

More information on the IAM Service, including Getting Started, FAQ, Resources and background

information is available on the [NCEdCloud IAM website](http://bit.ly/1KpkLfH) at <http://bit.ly/1KpkLfH>

### **Principals' Registered Yet? 2015 Principal READY Begins in March**

Principals across the state will engage in sessions on EVAAS, Teachers Working Conditions data (TWC) and supporting the Universal Design for Learning (UDL). Discussing professional teaching standards, the classroom observation process and specific school data, administrators will interact with colleagues and Educator Effectiveness staff for the 4<sup>th</sup> session of the principal professional development series.

#### Dates:

- Region 1, April 22
- Region 2, April 21
- Region 3, March 12
- Region 4, March 10
- Region 5, April 14
- Region 6, April 13
- Region 7, March 24
- Region 8, March 25

Registration Link: <http://bit.ly/1GtVTi9>

### **Home Base Weekly Webinar Series**

The NCDPI invites you to take advantage of the weekly Home Base Webinar Series which invites system users to discuss timely topics. Webinars are designed to assist users with PowerSchool, Educator Evaluation/PD System plus Schoolnet and OpenClass on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. These webinars are always free and offer attendees the opportunity to learn about best practices, tips for success and new aspects of the system. Participants are also given a chance to ask questions and connect with experts. Upcoming topics include:

- Mid-Year Graduates in PowerSchool
- North Carolina Educator Evaluation System
- What does Quality Online PD look like?
- Creating Classroom Assessments in Schoolnet
- KPIs and Pre-Formatted Reports in Schoolnet

For a full list of upcoming topics, webinar start times and registration links, please visit <http://bit.ly/1E7iqV1> and click *Webinars* on the left navigation bar. The calendar is being updated daily with new training sessions so check back often.

Specific upcoming webinars on Schoolnet, OpenClass and PowerSchool/PowerTeacher are also listed below.

### **Weekly Webinars on Schoolnet and OpenClass in March and April**

The Schoolnet and OpenClass webinar series continues on Thursdays throughout the school year and features weekly sessions on each of the components within Schoolnet (Classrooms, Assessment Admin, and School and District Data) and on OpenClass. Webinar details are posted on the Home Base website at <http://bit.ly/1KpINZ2> and <http://bit.ly/1Dq1RU1>.

Please visit our [online calendar](#) for future webinars.

Below you will find the new topics for the upcoming March and April Schoolnet webinars.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>3/5/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	Schoolnet – Curriculum and Instruction Series – Designing Instructional Sequences	Participants of the Governor's Teacher Network share their experiences designing Instructional Sequences by creating lesson plans using the state template, linking resources and adding aligned assessment items to provide high quality materials from teachers in the field for use by educators statewide.	<a href="#">Webinar</a> <a href="#">Registration</a>
<b>3/12/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	Schoolnet – Curriculum and Instruction Series - Introduction to Curriculum Manager	Review of Schoolnet resources hierarchy. Create curricular units and district curriculum. Link resources to units. Bulk upload and manage your district instructional resources and materials.	<a href="#">Webinar</a> <a href="#">Registration</a>
<b>3/19/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	Schoolnet – Curriculum and Instruction Series - Advanced Curriculum Manager	In this webinar, you will learn how to develop and organize your district curriculum utilizing Schoolnet's powerful curriculum manager tool. Topics covered will show you how to define scope and sequence, course mapping and how to schedule / publish curriculum to educators.	<a href="#">Webinar</a> <a href="#">Registration</a>
<b>3/26/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	OpenClass – Building Online Capacity and Best Practices	<p>In this webinar, you will learn how educators can use OpenClass to present online course content, explore subjects using social learning, collaborate on projects, and hold active discussions.</p> <p>Best practices will be discussed by local instructional designers and developers.</p>	<a href="#">Webinar</a> <a href="#">Registration</a>

<b>4/2/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	Schoolnet – School and District Data Component: Best Practices by District Leadership	In this Schoolnet webinar, School District testing educators and staff participate in a roundtable discussion sharing best practices using custom and pre-formatted reports in Schoolnet.	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>4/9/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	Schoolnet – School and District Data Component: Using Scan-it to Upload Answer Sheets	This Schoolnet webinar demonstrates how to scan bubble/answer sheets using the Scan-it software tool and how to capture assessment data into Schoolnet. Best practices will be discussed by school and district educators experienced with Scan-it.	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>4/16/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	Schoolnet – Classrooms Component: ITF and Media Coordinators Best Practices	This webinar offers a roundtable discussion by the NCDPI Schoolnet experts and SLMCs and ITFs experienced in Schoolnet on best practices and more! For the ITF and SLMC focus, essential questions will be answered including "How can Schoolnet help me meet my professional standards?" and "How can Schoolnet help me meet the performance indicators for my evaluation?"	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>4/23/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	OpenClass – Formative Assessment and Schoolnet Resources	This webinar demonstrates using OpenClass to support the formative assessment process in the classroom. Also how to tie in Schoolnet resources and resources from Pearson's Exchange into OpenClass courses to deliver high quality, multimedia rich, and standard based content.	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>

<b>4/30/2015</b>	3:30-4:30	Schoolnet – User Management Roles & Permissions	This webinar will provide training in managing user access in Schoolnet. You will learn how to review recently added and existing roles and permissions. Specific examples and issues pertaining to user roles and permissions will also address multiple permissions for roles.	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
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### Webinars Help Educators Find Solutions

Looking for feedback from peers from other districts? Teams or individuals may now participate in Cross-district Strategic Solutions statewide topic-based forums. The purpose of *Cross-district Strategic Solutions* sessions is to build a problem-solving, solution-generating Professional Learning Network of educators open to district leaders, administrators, teachers and coaches across the state. Educator Effectiveness PD Leads will assist you with facilitating the process. During the forum sessions, teams or individuals introduce a challenging issue and receive feedback from other participants across the state. Each forum session is held in the late afternoon. See the schedule below and join the conversation!

Positive feedback from past attendees:

“This framework offers a structure for presenting issues, asking questions and gathering feedback I can use back in my district.”

“A great venue for learning from educators we never get to see and getting ideas from peers across the state.”

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<b>3/5/2015</b>	EE Student Engagement	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>3/16/2015</b>	EE Bullying: The Whole School Participates in Preventing Bullying	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>3/26/2015</b>	Getting Excited About Data	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>4/15/2015</b>	Transitioning to Digital Text	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>4/16/2015</b>	Differentiated Instruction Based Upon Data	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>

<b>4/20/2015</b>	Preparing for Math I While Remediating Middle School	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>4/28/2015</b>	Recruitment and Retention	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>
<b>4/29/2015</b>	Vertical Transition from 5 <sup>th</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<a href="#">Webinar Registration</a>

To view an example of a Cross-district Strategic Solutions forum, visit <http://bit.ly/virtualmodeling1030>. To download the protocol, go to: <http://bit.ly/cdssprotocol>. Questions? Contact Educator Effectiveness consultant, Heather Stewart, [heather.stewart@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:heather.stewart@dpi.nc.gov)

### **Educator Effectiveness Facilitated Online Courses, Spring 2015**

Looking for high-quality professional development and the opportunity to interact with peers? Registration will open March 9 for online instructor-facilitated online courses starting Monday, March 30.

<b>Course name</b>
Digital Literacies in the Classroom (7 weeks)
Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science and Technical Subjects: Part 1 (5 weeks)
Introduction to Data Literacy (5 weeks)
Data Literacy in Action (6 weeks)
Introduction to Universal Design for Learning (4 weeks)
Universal Design for Learning: Part 2 (4 weeks)
Connecting with our 21 Century Learners (6 weeks)
North Carolina Professional Teaching Standards (6 weeks)
Building and Sustaining PD (6 weeks)
Responsibilities of the 21st Century Educator (7 weeks)

For a description of the courses and associated CEUs, visit our website <https://rt3nc.org/>. These courses are available at no cost to North Carolina educators and are facilitated by the NCDPI professionals. The courses are completed entirely online. Participants are expected to meet all weekly deadlines in order to



receive CEUs. Partial credit will not be given for these courses.

Registration is limited to 35 participants per section. Follow the instructions below to log into Home Base to self-register for a course.

- Log in to the NCEES system using your usual PowerSchool log in or the alternate log in <https://ncees.homebase.ncpublicschools.gov/alternateLogin.html>
- Click the Professional Development tab.
- You can search for the course, or list all opportunities to find your course.
- Click on the course title and section.
- Click on the register button.

Directions on how to register are also available at <http://bit.ly/1ACOUzt>. Questions, contact Educator Effectiveness Online Developer, Dr. Geetanjali Soni at [Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov).

### **PD MOOClet: Effective Digital Strategies for Teaching and Learning in the K-12 Classroom**

The Educator Effectiveness team announces another session of Effective Digital Strategies for Teaching and Learning in the K-12 Classroom: A PD MOOClet, starting March 30. Registration will open March 9. Duration: 6 Weeks (20 hours) Credits: 2 CEUs Maximum registration: 300

This course focuses on using digital tools and strategies to support teaching and learning and enriching individuals' knowledge through developing communities of practice across the state. In this course, we will look at keystones for the 21st century classroom, the 4Cs - Creativity, Critical Thinking, Communication and Collaboration. This MOOClet:

- Is learner-centered, focusing on participants' professional needs in different disciplines and grade levels
- Focuses on participants as creators of content as much as they are "consumers" of content
- Involves extensive peer-to-peer communication
- Includes a larger number of students than a typical facilitator-led course

Who should participate?

Active, collaborative learners who are self-driven, motivated, flexible and enjoy sharing information and resources. To register, follow the instructions shared above to log into the Professional Development system of Home Base.

Contact Educator Effectiveness Online Developer, Dr. Geetanjali Soni at [Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov) if you have any questions.

### **North Carolina Educator Evaluation System (NCEES) March Webinars**

Please join NCEES presenters on select Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m. for two March webinars:

#### **March 17 - NCEES Process: Completing the Teacher Summary Evaluation Form**

This webinar will provide you with an opportunity to review the process for completing a Summary Rating Form in the online tool, and coaching for peak performance during the end-of-year summary evaluation conference.

Register here: <http://bit.ly/1DnztIO>

#### **March 24, 2015 - Home Base PD System: Your Turn Now**

This webinar will showcase upcoming courses from NCDPI and discuss district created courses. How have you implemented your ideas? What obstacles have you faced using the system and how have you addressed those obstacles? Please send all questions about the system to Mandy Taylor at [mandy.taylor@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:mandy.taylor@dpi.nc.gov) by March 17. We will provide answers to pre submitted questions live.

Register here: <http://bit.ly/1GghI9f>

### Spring 2015: Instructor-Facilitated and CEU Credited Online Courses

Looking for high-quality professional development and the opportunity to interact with peers? Now you can participate in a series of instructor-facilitated online courses that are being offered for Session 1, Spring 2015. Registration is now open. Our spring session will be offered starting March 30.

Course name
Digital Literacy in the Classroom (6 weeks)
Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science and Technical Subjects: Part 1 (5 weeks)
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Complete online registration is at no cost to North Carolina educators. Courses will be facilitated by the NCDPI professionals. Participants are expected to meet all weekly deadlines in order to receive CEUs. Partial credit will not be given.

For a description of the courses and associated CEUs, visit <https://rt3nc.org/>. Registration is limited to 35 participants per section. To register, follow these instructions: Log in to the NCEES system using your usual PowerSchool log in or the alternate login <http://bit.ly/1zX2bmU>

- Click the Professional Development tab.
- You can search for the course by name and populate the list to select it.
- Click on the course title; then click on the section.
- Click on the register button.

Directions on how to register are available here: <http://bit.ly/1AwHYtb>. Contact Dr. Geetanjali Soni at [Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov) if you have any questions.

## **PowerSchool Scheduling – Q & A Forum Webinars**

These webinars are facilitated forums and won't offer any presentations. They will be an open forum for attendees to ask their scheduling questions to a panel of the NCDPI staff members.

### Dates, Times and Registration Links

- Wednesday, March 11, 1:00 p.m.

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/829296344>

- Wednesday, March 18, 1:00 p.m.

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/843805984>

- Wednesday, March 25, 1:00 p.m.

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/866556920>

**\*\* Please note all registration information is subject to NC Public Records Law.**

For more information about NC SIS training and documentation, please visit our website at

<http://www.nc-sis.org>.

## **Next Home Base Maintenance Weekend is March 13-16**

The next Home Base maintenance weekend is scheduled for Friday, March 13, through Monday, March 16. The system will shut down Friday at 5 p.m. Once maintenance is completed, a message will be sent to notify users that the system is up and available for use.

Home Base will be returned to service no later than 6 a.m., Monday morning. If a delay in bringing up the system should occur, users will be notified via NC SIS email and the new [Home Base Alert on Twitter](#):

<http://bit.ly/1zVb561>

You can view the entire upcoming schedule of maintenance weekends [here](#) (or copy and paste <http://bit.ly/1HEB335>).

## **IN CASE YOU MISSED IT**

### **New District-to-District Sharing Feature is Now Available!**

You can now designate resources in Schoolnet at the district level as "All Districts" materials and share them among all districts in NC. As schools submit teacher work through Schoolnet for district approval, districts will now have the option to make those resources available to all other districts in the state. Resources created at the school or district level can also be shared among districts. This means you will be able to showcase and share your teachers' and curriculum leaders' work, not only within your own district, but across all districts in North Carolina. This option is now available, in addition to the Submit to State option as another way NC teachers and leaders can share instructional resources statewide. We hope you will take advantage of the ability to showcase the work being done in your district and the opportunity to share with your peers.

To learn more, please view the archived video at <http://bit.ly/1zU8uO3>. Register here:

<http://bit.ly/1M38Nq1>

## **New Instructional Materials and Assessment Items Added to Schoolnet!**

Below is a breakdown of the number of materials added by type in the Classrooms Module.

Instructional Units K-12: 49

Lesson Plans K-12: 686

Resources K-12: 620

Assessments K-12: 35

In addition, 2,660 additional benchmark assessment items were added. These items have the publisher NCDPI\_Benchmark and are available to district level users for creating district benchmark assessments. The 2,660 items cover ELA (grades 3-8 and ENG II), Math (grades 3-8 and Math I) and Science (grades 5 and 8 and Biology).

1300 additional classroom items were added. These items have the publisher NCDPI\_Classroom and are available to all users and intended for use by teachers at the classroom level. Similar to the benchmark items, the new classroom items cover ELA (grades 3-8 and ENG II), Math (grades 3-8 and Math I) and Science (grades 5 and 8 and Biology).

## **Reminder about Reports in Schoolnet**

As a reminder, the School and District Data Module within Schoolnet is the primary source for running reports on student performance within Schoolnet. While there is a student performance option under the Classrooms Module, this option will only look at reports for the current semester enrollments. So if you want to look at yearlong results, it is best to use the reporting options within the School and District Data Module.

## **Schoolnet Training Site**

The Schoolnet training site has more meaningful data/reports to explore and review in your training efforts. Additionally, the training site offers tens of thousands of assessment items and instructional materials to support your training efforts, including these features:

- Each LEA and Charter School will have their own new unique set of teacher login accounts to use for training purposes and can access students and school leadership connected with their teacher.
- LEAs / Charter Schools will share district leadership accounts.
- You will now also have logins for additional role-specific users. LEAs/Charter School will share a pool of logins for scenario-based login accounts, e.g. School Library Media Coordinators, ITFs, Coaches, Teachers who have permission to create benchmarks, staff or any teacher who has ability to approve assessment items, or approve instructional materials and more.

The training site will continue to be accessed at <http://bit.ly/Wb2yNC>. Then select Home Base Training District from the dropdown tab next to the "sign in with" prompt. Next, log in with your user/password.

If you are a trainer in your district or charter school, please look for an email with your new login credentials. If you have any questions, please contact the Home Base Support Center at [homebase.incidents@its.nc.gov](mailto:homebase.incidents@its.nc.gov)

## **High Quality Online PD Modules: Available Now!**

Please take advantage of our self-paced, facilitated modules and mini-modules available to teachers and principals at no charge! You may click here to access a printable version of current modules: <http://bit.ly/1BDKgam>. All modules may be accessed through the Educator Effectiveness PD System

through Home Base. In addition, you may get ideas for staff and PLCs using the implementation guide, found here: [www.rt3nc.org](http://www.rt3nc.org). Over 50 professional development opportunities are listed here for your educators.

Please contact Dr. Geetanjali Soni, [Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:Geetanjali.soni@dpi.nc.gov) or any member of the *Educator Effectiveness Division* with any questions.

### **Discover the Rich, High-quality and Instructional Content Available in Schoolnet!**

You are probably aware that users can access approximately 30,000 instructional materials in Schoolnet, including open education resources vetted at the state level, SAS Curriculum Pathways, Pearson's OLE resources for social studies and science, plus a More tab which includes a collection provided by the NC Department of Cultural Resources. To learn more, join a webinar Wednesday, March 25, 3:30-4:30 p.m. called Free Instructional Resources in Schoolnet. This webinar focuses on how educators can access high quality resources for Math, World Languages, Arts, Health, PE and ESL. Register here: <http://bit.ly/17Op4mb>

**We encourage you to share this Update, and for past issues of Home Base Biweekly Updates, please visit [Biweekly Updates](#). To visit updates from 2014, go [here](#).**

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**To follow Home Base Alerts on Twitter, sign up [here](#).**

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