New Features/ Updates in SIRAS

A virtual meeting link can now be added to the IEP meeting notice. When ‘Virtual meeting’ is entered as the Place for the IEP meeting, the Conference Link and Password fields will appear. Paste the link and password into the Conference Link and Password fields. Open the IEP meeting notice and the live link will appear on the notice. Parents will have access to the live link from the downloaded notice and on the day of the meeting, users will be able to click the Go To Link button in the IEP Manager to launch the meeting via your browser.

Green check mark added to quickly see which IEP meetings have been held from the Choose student list. A green check mark will appear if the meeting has been held.

Uploaded Documents: Users can now view a document uploaded to the basic forms within the IEP manager basic forms tab. When uploading, attach to Basic IEP Forms and choose the form order. This would be useful when uploading a transcript to attach to the course of study form. The file name and description will appear in the Edit Forms column and paginate with the Preview/Print button.
Updates for All Users

Toggling between ‘district’ view vs. ‘caseload’ view

SBAC, ELPAC and Alternate ELPAC supports have been updated by the CDE and are being updated in SIRAS.

“Parent Contacted, No Response” will soon be an option added in the dropdown for Parent Response. This will archive the IEP in the IEP Manager and generate a meeting record for CALPADS, so that CDE will know that an IEP meeting was held. The new Parent Response will give the ability to search for meetings where no signatures have been received. If the parent later returns the form with written consent, upload the signed form to the SIRAS record and change the parent response to “Accepts the plan” in the IEP Manager and notify your SIRAS Data administrator. The SIRAS Data administrator will confirm that any changes to the student’s MIS data are properly documented in current and archived records.
Administrators and MIS Clerks

Review Fall 1 snapshots, certification errors/warnings, submission errors/warnings, and accountability reports from CALPADS, make needed changes to SIRAS records and send the changes to CALPADS. Fall Data Monitoring and Certification Checklists are posted on the SIRAS4Admins and SIRAS4CALPADS Padlets. Schedule meetings with SELPA and/or SIRAS to assist with unresolved errors/warnings. The SELPA deadline for Fall 1 LEA approval is November 20, 2020.

The deadline for Fall DRDP data in SIRAS is December 18, 2020. Report students with all Unable to Rate on the DRDP Exception list and access DRDP Help on the SIRAS4Admins Padlet.

SIRAS is collecting your feedback on the program. Let Siras Systems know how the SIRAS program helps you serve students and work efficiently. Fill out this quick survey us the SIRAS Feedback Survey link.

Compliance Calendar:

December 18       CALPADS Submission Certification

January 29        CALPADS Amendment Deadline

General Questions
Where can I find the SPED guidance from CDE?
Refer to CDE SPED COVID-19 Guidance.

Email: support@sirassystems.com

Issues concerning bugs on forms; SIRAS procedures; troubleshooting questions; IEP Manager; configuration issues; MIS Summary page; CASEMIS and other general questions.

SIRAS Toll Free Hotline: 844-33 SIRAS or (844) 337-4727 [M - F: 8:00 to 6:00]