2019 Illinois Report Card FAQs

1. Questions on Teacher Salary: what data source is being used?
   a. Teacher Salary data is pulled directly from the Employee Information System (EIS).

2. Is the Data Quality Dashboard still relevant?
   a. Yes – the audits in the Data Quality Dashboard (DQD) are still relevant. ISBE has a development roadmap for the DQD and expects to begin making updates after the 2019 Report Card cycle. For more information about how ISBE monitors data quality, please see the following link: https://www.isbe.net/ilreportcard, click and expand the Presentations & Webinars section, and select the content for the July 9, 2019, webinar.

3. How does the College and Career Ready Indicator (CCRI) relate to the Report Card? When will we have more information regarding this?
   a. This is the first year that we are collecting data for CCRI and it will not be included in the 2019 Report Card (released October 31, 2019). CCRI will be included in the 2020 Report Card and it will be included in the Summative Designation calculation for SY 2021. For more information about the CCRI please see the information here: https://www.isbe.net/Documents/CCRI_Report.pdf.

4. Where is the Data Review and Verification Tool (DRVT) located? In IWAS?
   a. The DRVT is not in IWAS. The DRVT is in the MyIRC. Go to www.illinoisreprotcard.com, follow the link to “log in” in the upper right. For more information about the DRVT, please see the following link: https://www.isbe.net/ilreportcard, click and expand the Presentations & Webinars section, and select the content for “An Introduction to the Data Review and Verification Tool - June 11.”

5. How do we request an IIRC account to access the data verification tool? Can you walk us through this?
   a. First someone needs to add a role for you to the IIRC. If your role is at the school level, the principal will need to add you. If your role is at the district level, the district superintendent will need to add you. For more information about getting MyIRC access please see the following link: https://www.isbe.net/ilreportcard, click and expand the Presentations & Webinars section, and select the content for “An Introduction to the Data Review and Verification Tool - June 11.”

6. Will this year's instructions clarify whether you want "enrolled" or "housed" data?

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7. How can I get access to the Year End Collection (YEC) system?
   a. You can request access to YEC by going through IWAS, “Want to Signup for Other Systems?” This is available now.

8. Will the Year End Collection become a new SIS collection with XML schema?
   a. The Year End Collection is a repository for data collections that are not collected in other major ISBE systems such as SIS, EIS, ELIS, ISTAR, EPS, etc. Certain data elements collected via the YEC may be added to SIS, but the YEC will continue to exist with the collection requirements likely changing slightly every year.

9. What data will the Year End Collection be collecting?
   a. Student Count for Truant Minors
   b. No Pass No Play Count- number of Suspension/Ineligibility per duration from School Athletic or Extracurricular Activities
   c. Health & Wellness- average number of days per week of physical education per student
   d. Minutes per Week- average number of minutes allocated during the 5-day school week for instruction in Mathematics, English, Science, and Social Studies at Grade Levels 3, 6, and 8.
   e. For more information about the YEC, please see the following link: https://www.isbe.net/ilreportcard, click and expand the Presentations & Webinars section, and select the content for “Year End Collection – May 14.”

10. Why are Superintendents signing off on the report prior reviewing the summative designation?
    a. In order to provide Superintendents timely access to their summative designations and the Report Card, ISBE needs districts to review and verify the accuracy of their data in a timely fashion. The “sign off” is an indication that the district has performed its due diligence when submitting its data. Once all districts have approved of their metrics, ISBE can move forward with the final calculations for the summative designations. Superintendent signoff is due on September 9, 2019, in the Data Review and Verification Tool.

11. Did the dropout rate calculation change this year? And why?
    a. Historically, ISBE has calculated dropout rate by dividing the number of dropouts by the school’s fall enrollment where the number of dropouts were self-reported by districts. The U.S. Department of Education recommends not only including self-reported dropouts, but ALSO students that were enrolled in the previous school year and were not enrolled the following fall. For a more specific

12. Will this change cause my dropout rate to increase or decrease?
   a. This will cause dropout rates for every district in the state to increase or remain the same compared to the old calculation.

13. Will the dropout rate change affect my summative designation?
   a. Dropout rate is not included in the formula for Summative Designations, and therefore, will not impact your schools' accountability or any associated funding.

14. Is the dropout rate calculation included in the DRVT?
   a. You can view your districts current SY 2019 dropout rate based on the new calculation in the Data Review and Verification Tool (DRVT) located at www.illinoisreportcard.com. (You will need log in credentials for MyIRC to access the tool). More information about the DRVT is located at https://www.isbe.net/Pages/IL-Report-Card.aspx under “Presentations and Webinars” on June 11, 2019.