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Discipline Collection (DOE – ES Collection)

Purpose of the Collection

The purpose of this data collection is to gather student suspension, expulsion, and arrest data including whether the incident involved bullying, gang related activity, or firearms. IC 20-34-6 requires the Department of Education (DOE) to submit arrest data to the Legislature Council and the Criminal Justice Institute annually. IC 20-34-6 requires the DOE to post bullying data online annually. IC 20-26-18 requires the DOE to submit gang related data to the Governor and the Indiana General Assembly. IC 20-20-40-13 requires the DOE to include Restraint and Seclusion instances on each school's Annual Performance Report (APR). IC 20-20-8-8- requires the DOE to include suspension and expulsion data on the APR.

Current Deadline

The submission deadline for the 2015-2016 school year is August 4, 2016, with the signoff deadline being September 5, 2016.

Recommendation

For the 2014-2015 school year, schools had to report their arrest and bullying data separate from their expulsion and suspension data. Furthermore, the gang and restraint/seclusion data are a new requirement. The DOE recommends changing the Discipline Collection for 2015-2016 school year to include the arrest, bullying, gang, and restraint/seclusion data into a single collection. The DOE also recommends adding additional type codes for theft, sexual misconduct, technology misuse, and non-deadly weapons to make the data more meaningful than using the type of "other".

Legislative Action Necessary

No legislative action necessary

Implementation Date of Change

These changes are ready to be made for the 2015-2016 school year.