

TSDS Upgrade to Ed-Fi

Amplify mCLASS Texas and ECDS for the 2024–25 school year

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Overview

Amplify Education's Ed-Fi Integration streamlines student data management for the ECDS process, facilitating secure data transfer to the Texas State Data System (TSDS). Amplify's role includes providing mCLASS[®] Texas BOY assessment data to TEA. The integration supports the ECDS submission timeline, covering rostering, assessments, and audits.



Using Ed-Fi integrations to manage Amplify student data

By utilizing Amplify's Ed-Fi integration, you can securely receive the data that Amplify is delivering to your state or district via Ed-Fi.

Amplify's role in the ECDS submission process

The Early Childhood Data System (ECDS) is a state reporting feature in the Texas Student Data System (TSDS). All public schools and open-enrollment charter schools (LEAs) in Texas must report assessment data collected using assessments that are aligned with the Texas Education Data Standards (TEDS) and on the commissioner's list of approved assessments, such as Amplify's mCLASS Texas edition. Amplify will provide the mCLASS Texas BOY assessment data (under the academic subject "Composite" for Language and Literacy) directly to the Texas Education Agency (TEA).



The ECDS Ed-Fi submission timeline

The following infographic provides a general outline of the process and helpful tips to support districts throughout the ECDS submission. Please use the key to determine who is responsible for each step.

TIMING AND TASKS	TASK OWNER
June-Aug. 2024	District + Amplify
Rostering	Ensure all kindergarten students are rostered in mCLASS. Ensure all kindergarten students have their 10-digit State ID included in data share.
	Please refer to this video: <u>On-Demand Webinar: Accessing the DYD Report</u> for further information.
	 Instructional PDFs: <u>TX ECDS Instructions for Clever, Classlink, and Admin Portal</u> <u>TX ECDS instructions for mCLASS enrollment: mCLASS SSE or Auto</u> <u>SSE</u>
	For questions regarding enrollment and/or State IDs, simply log in at <u>learning.amplify.com</u> and click the orange button in the bottom right corner to chat live with our support team. Remember to mention "ECDS" to ensure our dedicated support team answers your questions.
	You can also contact <u>help@amplify.com</u> . Please include "ECDS" in the subject line of all correspondence to our help teams.
AugOct. 2024	District
Kindergarten BOY benchmark assessment window	Ensure all kindergarten students are benchmarked within 60 days of the first day of school.
	 Helpful resources: Article: <u>TEA guidance for Dyslexia Screening Exception Reason in the Texas Student Data System (TSDS)</u> Article: <u>Starting a Benchmark Assessment</u>

	Run weekly completion reports during the benchmark window to ensure your Kindergarten students are benchmarked and have a composite score. Helpful resources: • Articles:
	 <u>Understanding the DIBELS 8 completion report</u>
	• mCLASS Lectura
	Guides:
	 mCLASS Texas D8 BOY measures guide
	 mCLASS Lectura BOY measures guide
Oct. 2024–Jan. 2025	District

Data validation and district submission

Complete a data audit to ensure accuracy of all required data. Please double-check the accuracy of the 10-digit State ID and the composite scores for all kindergarten students. Also, check that there are no duplicate students.

Helpful resources:

- Article: <u>How to Download my mCLASS Data</u>
- Video: <u>On-Demand Webinar: Accessing the DYD Report</u>

Setting up my Ed-Fi integration

Set up your Ed-Fi integration based on your rostering method.

Based on how you share your rosters with Amplify, please select one option below for information on how to add your Ed-Fi integration.

If you are unsure of how your district is rostered in Amplify, simply log in at <u>learning.amplify.com</u> and click the orange button in the bottom right corner to chat live with our support team. Remember to mention "ECDS" to ensure our dedicated support team answers your questions.

You can also contact <u>help@amplify.com</u>. Please include "ECDS" in the subject line of all correspondence to our help teams.

To set up your Ed-Fi integration through:

Clever, Classlink, GG4L, or Amplify Admin Portal	mCLASS–SSE or Auto SSE
Follow the instructions within <u>this help article</u> .	 Follow the instructions within <u>this help</u> <u>article</u>. <u>Use this secure link</u>. (Login required)



Data sharing with TEA

After you have successfully set up your configuration for the Ed-Fi integration, Amplify will send data to the district's Operational Data Store (ODS) **twice a day, at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. CT**.

For additional information on how to access the Ed-Fi ODS, please connect directly with TEA by submitting a TIMS ticket.

Amplify only shares student assessment data with TEA for the ECDS Submission. This includes:

☑ Administration
 ☑ Score result
 ☑ Student Identifier
 Date

This data is also available with the mCLASS Download Your Data (DYD) feature.

Data shared with Ed-Fi	Corresponding data in mCLASS DYD
Administration Date	Client date
Score result	Composite score
Student Unique ID	Student State SID

Amplify Troubleshooting

How do I verify my connection status?

You can check your connection status in the Admin Portal under Ed-Fi integrations.

Helpful resources:

- Admin Portal: Ed-Fi integrations
- mCLASS Enrollment: Ed-Fi integrations

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How do I verify my credentials?

Please use the district ODS to verify your credentials. For questions about this process, please submit a TIMS ticket or connect with your regional Education Service Center (ESC).

How do I verify my data?

For questions about verifying your Amplify mCLASS data, simply log in at <u>learning.amplify.com</u> and click the orange button in the bottom right corner to chat live with our support team. Remember to mention "ECDS" to ensure our dedicated support team answers your questions.

You can also contact <u>help@amplify.com</u>. Please include "ECDS" in the subject line of all correspondence to our help teams.

For questions about your Ed-Fi credentials, district ODS, or the TSDS, please submit a TIMS ticket or connect with your regional Education Service Center (ESC).

How do I submit help tickets?

Our chat agents are standing by to assist you. Log in at <u>learning.amplify.com</u> and click the orange button in the bottom-right corner to chat live with our support team. Please remember to mention ECDS so that our dedicated team can assist you. Our support hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. ET.

Don't have a login yet?

Email us: <u>help@amplify.com</u>. Please include "ECDS" in the subject line of all correspondence to our help teams.

Need more help?

Check out <u>amplify.com/support</u> or our <u>Help Center</u> for more help at any point of implementation.

For questions related to Ed-Fi or TSDS, please contact TEA directly via a TIMS ticket.

TEA Troubleshooting

The following resources provided by TEA review the TSDS Upgrade Project and provide additional information regarding the new process.

Ed-Fi and ECDS Specific Resources

- <u>TSDS Upgrade Project</u> shares an overview of the TSDS Upgrade Project.
- Regarding data flow and the changes that will happen, refer to <u>TSDS Upgrade</u> <u>Project: Data Flow</u>.
- Learn more about known issues of the TSDS Upgrade Project here.
- <u>TSDS Upgrade Project: Data Collection Documentation</u> provides links to ECDS Data Documentation.
- Refer to <u>Texas Education Data Standards (TEDS) Overview</u> for more information on TEDS.

TEA Early Childhood Resources

- Early Childhood Data Collection Requirements: Requirements for PK-2
- <u>Data Tool Selection Guidance</u>: Instrument information and requirements, including the vendor-provided information.
- <u>Early Childhood Education Division Support Portal</u>: Programmatic questions/support

For more information, chat with our support team through learning.amplify.com and mention "ECDS", or visit <u>amplify.com/mclass-texas</u>.

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