TEA Designed Early College High Schools (ECHS)

In the 2015-2016 school year an ECHS indicator was placed in PEIMS. All designated ECHS must ensure that the required ECHS Indicator Code is included as a data element for Submissions 1, 3, and 4. Submission 1 is the fall snapshot date in October (last Friday in October). Please coordinate with the PEIMS coordinator at the school or at the district regarding specific PEIMS questions.

This document provides information regarding the indicator which is submitted on the Student Extension Complex Type.

Additional information regarding submission requirements may be found in the TEDS Student Category Data Submission Requirements.

- If the designated ECHS is a stand-alone school (all students at the school are in the ECHS) – all students should be identified in E1560 with the indicator code of 1.
- If the designated ECHS is a school-within-a school (not all students at the school are in the ECHS program) then:
  - The students enrolled in the ECHS should be identified in E1560 with an indicator of 1.
  - Students not enrolled in the ECHS should be identified in E1560 with an indicator of 0.

The following screenshot from the Student Extension Complex Type provides information about the indicator:

The code table associated with the screenshot above:

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Description
The Student Extension Complex Type represents a student for whom instruction and/or services are provided in an elementary, secondary, or post-secondary educational program under the jurisdiction of an LEA.

ECHS-INDICATOR-CODE (E1560) indicates whether a student is enrolled in an Early College High School as defined in Texas Administrative Code §102.1091.

The data collection for E1560 will be collected in Submissions 1, 3, and 4.
- **Submission 1** - Students enrolled in ECHS on the last Friday in October (Fall Snapshot date) are reported.
- **Submission 3** - Students enrolled in ECHS at any point in time during the school year are reported.
- **Submission 4** - Students enrolled in ECHS over the summer are reported.
ECHS PEIMS Indicator FAQs

1. **What schools are required to complete the ECHS PEIMS indicator?**
   *Answer:* Any school that is designated by TEA is required to use the ECHS indicator in the year in which they are designated.

2. **What students should be coded with the indicator?**
   *Answer:* All students that are enrolled in the ECHS must have the E1560 ECHS Indicator Code of 1.

3. **Should we only use the ECHS indicator for students that are taking dual credit courses?**
   *Answer:* No, all students enrolled in the ECHS must be coded as 1 on the E1560 ECHS Indicator Code regardless of dual credit taken.

4. **Should we use the ECHS Indicator Code with students who are TSI ready?**
   *Answer:* No, all students enrolled in the ECHS must have an E1560 ECHS Indicator Code of 1 regardless of TSI status.

5. **Our district uses Chancery Software, can TEA help us find where in the software the indicator is located?**
   *Answer:* No, the school/district should contact the software vendor and let them know that assistance is needed with the E1560 ECHS Indicator Code on the Student Extension Complex Type. The software vendor will be able to assist in locating this data element in their product. If a district uses TxEIS, they should reach out to their ESC PEIMS contact.

6. **Who should we involve at our school/district to ensure students are correctly coded on the indicator?**
   *Answer:* This will vary across districts, at a minimum, coordinate with the PEIMS coordinator at the school or at the district level regarding this indicator. Always follow local procedures.

7. **Will TEA tell us which students should be coded as a 1 on the ECHS indicator?**
   *Answer:* No, during the designation process, the school identifies the ECHS model they will be implementing and indicates the number of students they expect to enroll for each grade level. The ECHS indicator data must be aligned with the student enrollment data submitted on the ECHS designation application.

8. **When does the ECHS Indicator Code need to be submitted each year?**
   *Answer:* The ECHS PEIMS indicator is required data element for Submissions 1, 3, and 4. Submission 1 is the fall snapshot date in October (last Friday in October). TEA publishes the Texas Student Data System (TSDS) PEIMS submission dates for the school year in Section 8.2 of the Texas Education Data Standards (TEDS).

9. **What if the student is in ECHS for some classes, but not all, how do I code that student?**
   *Answer:* Students are either enrolled in the ECHS or not enrolled in the ECHS. If the school is a school-within-a-school model, those enrolled in the ECHS must be coded on the E1560 ECHS Indicator Code with a 1 and students not enrolled in the ECHS must be coded with a 0.

10. **We are a school-within-a-school (SWS) ECHS school with 3,000 students, I understand that we are required to use the indicator 1 for the 400 ECHS students enrolled in our program. Do we have to code 2600 non-ECHS students with an indicator of 0?**
    *Answer:* Yes. Students enrolled in the SWS ECHS at the school must submitted with an E1560 ECHS Indicator Code of 1. Students not enrolled in the ECHS should have an E1560 ECHS Indicator Code of 0.
11. We are a stand-alone ECHS school with over 3,000 students, are we required to use the indicator for students with disabilities?
   Answer: All students enrolled at the school must submitted with an E1560 ECHS Indicator Code of 1.

12. Is there a document that I can share with the PEIMS coordinator at my school?
   Answer: The ECHS PEIMS Indicator guidance and FAQs document may be shared.