

# Program Enhancement Projects for Adult Education (PEP) in LACES

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## P2: Corrections Education

### Enrollment:

All Corrections Education students must be identified at the **student level** during enrollment in the **Demographics** tab.

Demographics > Demographics > Correctional (select Yes-Community or Yes-State)

The screenshot shows a dropdown menu for the 'Correctional' field. The 'Correctional' label is highlighted with a red box. The dropdown menu is open, showing the following options: 'No Value Entered' (highlighted in blue), 'Yes - Community', 'Yes - State', and 'No'.

Additionally, in order to remove a student from the Correctional tracking if they are released, there must be a Release Date entered at the **student level** during enrollment in the **Demographics** tab.

Demographics > Corrections > enter Release Date

The screenshot shows the 'Corrections' section in the Demographics tab. The 'Release Date' field is highlighted with a red box. The 'Release Date' field is a date picker with a calendar icon. Other fields visible include 'Booking/Inmate Number' and 'Start Date'.

### Grant Reporting:

The following LACES performance tables will be requested for Corrections Education grant reporting.

- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 10 (Outcome Achievement for Participants in Correctional Education Programs)

## P3: Family Literacy Services

### Enrollment:

All Family Literacy students must be identified at the **student level** during enrollment in the **Education** tab by selecting Yes on the dropdown under Family Literacy.

Education > Education > Family Literacy > select Yes

Program*	No Value Entered ▼
Secondary Program	No Value Entered ▼
Family Literacy	Yes ▼
ESL Student	<input type="checkbox"/>

In order to ensure an accurate Family Literacy (FL) participant list

1. Create a view\* that shows all FL participants for the current fiscal year
2. Ensure that all students listed are indeed enrolled in FL for 2024-2025
3. If a student listed in not actively enrolled in FL this year, click into the record and change the FL program from Yes to No

\*Creating a view has been covered in the data administrator meetings

### Goals and Achievements:

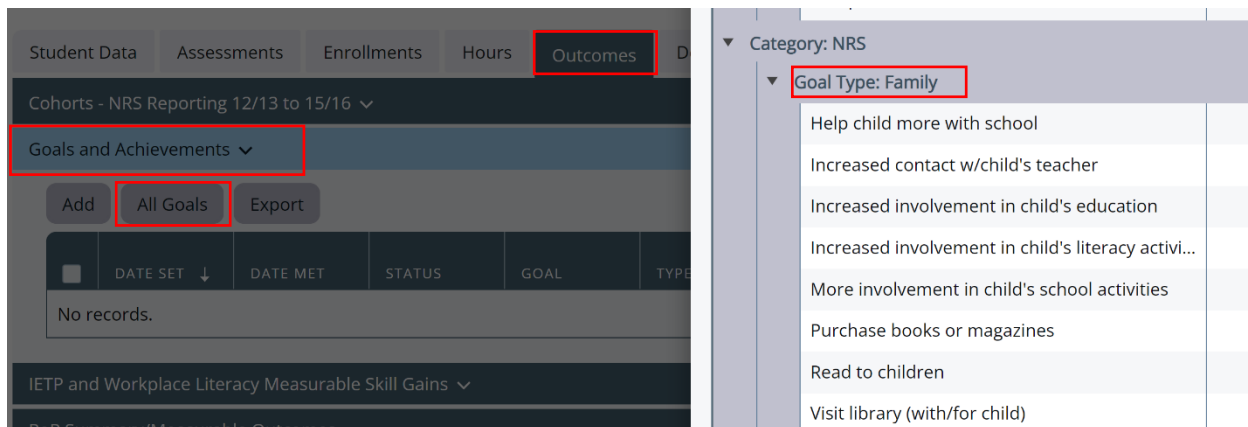
All Family Literacy students must have goals “set” at intake with a beginning date and at the end of the semester/program the goals should be “met” with an end date. These goals are identified at the **student level** in the **Outcomes** tab. This information populates NRS Table 8.

The Federal outcomes specific to Family Literacy are below.

- Increased Involvement in Children’s Education
  - Helped more frequently with school
  - Increased contact w/children's teachers
  - More involved in children’s school activities
- Increased Involvement in Children's Literacy Activities
  - Reading to children
  - Visiting library (with/for child)
  - Purchasing books or magazines

To add the goal “set” and “met” dates, go to the Outcomes tab.

Outcomes > Goals and Achievements > All Goals > Category: NRS > Goal Type: Family



## Attendance:

What counts for Family Literacy attendance\*

- ✓ Adult education (academic instruction)
- ✓ Training for parents (parental skills)
- ✓ Interactive literacy activities between parent and child (PACT)
- ✗ Age-appropriate education for children

\*All counted hours must be instructional with learning outcomes for adults

## Grant Reporting:

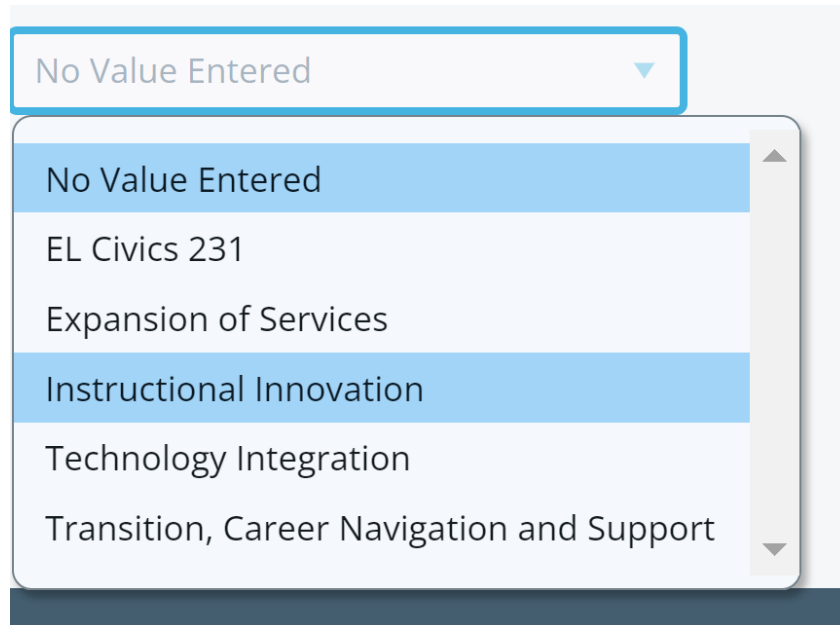
The following LACES performance tables will be requested for Family Literacy grant reporting.

- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)
- NRS Table 8 (Outcomes for Participants in Family Literacy Programs)
  - Please note that column B will only display the total number of participants who exited during the program year.

## P4: Instructional Innovation

All Instructional Innovation students must be identified at the **class level** during enrollment in the **Class Data** tab.

Class Data > Class Details > Department >select Instructional Innovation



A screenshot of a web application interface showing a dropdown menu. The menu is open, displaying several options. The option 'Instructional Innovation' is highlighted in blue, indicating it is the selected item. The other options are 'No Value Entered', 'EL Civics 231', 'Expansion of Services', 'Technology Integration', and 'Transition, Career Navigation and Support'. The dropdown menu has a light blue border and a white background. The selected item is highlighted with a darker blue background. The other items have a light blue background. The dropdown menu is positioned below a text input field that contains 'No Value Entered'.

### Grant Reporting:

The following LACES performance tables will be requested for Instructional Innovation grant reporting.

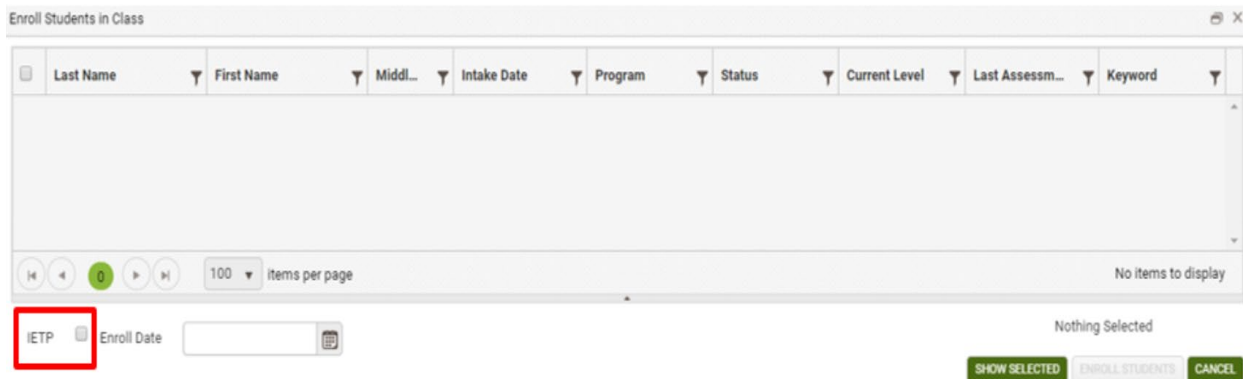
- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)

# P5: Integrated Education and Training (IET)

## Enrollment:

Enrollment into IET is done at the **student level** or **class level** in the **Enrollment** tab. All IET students, including student participating in Bridge programming and not yet in a credential training class, should be identified as IETP.

Enrollments > IETP/Credential



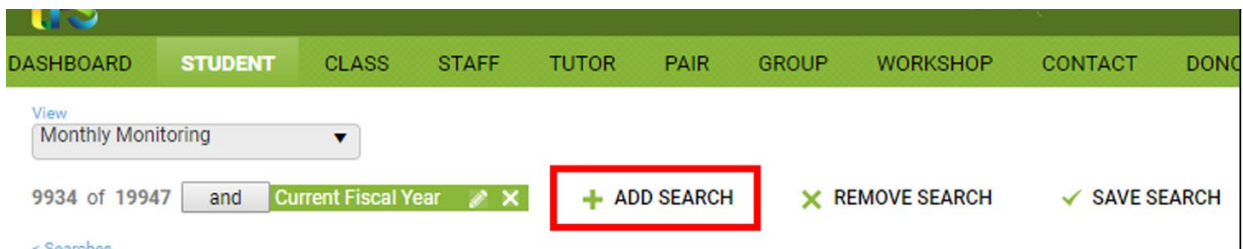
When you see the class enrollments, you can clearly see who is enrolled with IETP/Credential.

If you forgot to label a student, this can be changed/alterd by clicking in the line to change the student to IETP/Credential.

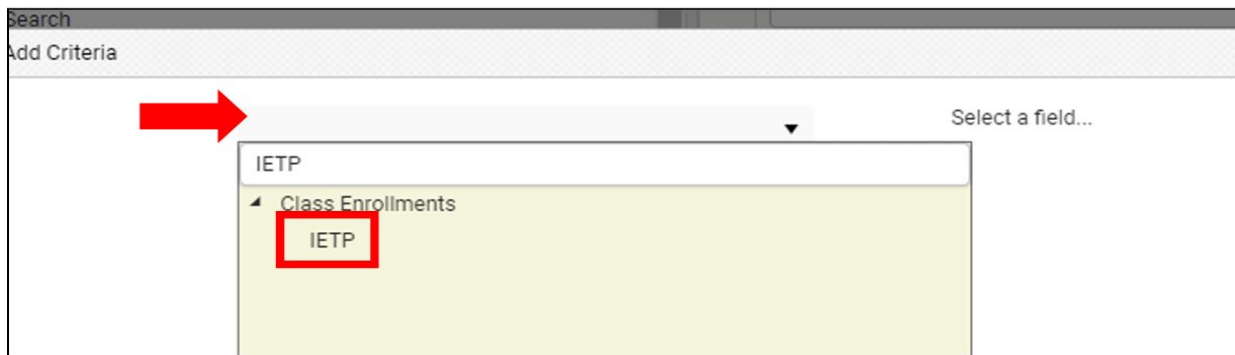
Suffix	Enroll Status	IETP	Enroll Date	Start Date
	Enrolled	IETP/Cred...	07/01/2022	07/12/2022
	Enrolled	No Value ...	07/01/2022	07/12/2022
	Enrolled	IETP/Cred...	07/01/2022	07/12/2022
	Enrolled	No Value ...	07/01/2022	07/12/2022
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## Searching IET in LACES:

Here is how to locate which student records have or have not been marked with an IETP class enrollment.



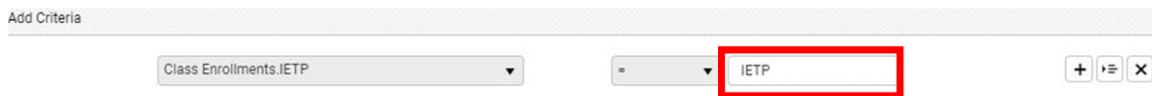
The “Add Criteria” window will appear. Click to place your cursor in the drop-down box in this window and type “IETP.” Then, click on “IETP” located under “Class Enrollments.”



The phrase “Class Enrollments.IETP” will now appear in the drop-down box. The box to the right is called the “Operator” box. This should default to an equals sign (=). Leave the equals sign in the Operator box.



6. In the text field next to the Operator box, type “IETP,” and then click in the white space outside of the text field so that the green “APPLY” button appears in the lower right hand corner of the Add Criteria window. Then, click “Apply.”



ADD CRITERIA TO END

APPLY CLOSE

### Reporting IET in LACES:

Participation in IET is reported in LACES in two locations.

1. Student Record > Education > Postsecondary Education or Training

This information should be added while the student is enrolled and up to one year after the student exits. Although the —> sections are not required\*, providers should make every effort to obtain this information.

Add New Postsecondary Education Or Training Record

\*Postsecondary Institution Type: No Value Entered

Name of Postsecondary School or Tr...: No Value Entered

\*Address 1:  Address 1 is Required

Address 2:

\*City:

\*State: No Value Entered

\*Zip Code:

District: No Value Entered

Phone at Address:

Industry: No Value Entered

Course of Study: No Value Entered

\*Enroll Date:

Exit Date:

Total Hours Attended:

Earned Credits:

Credential Attained:

Date Earned:

2. Student record > Outcomes > IETP and Workplace Literacy Measurable Skills Gains > IETP MSG Type

Add New IETP and Workplace Literacy Measurable Skill Gains Record

\*Date:  Date is Required

\*IETP MSG Type: No Value Entered

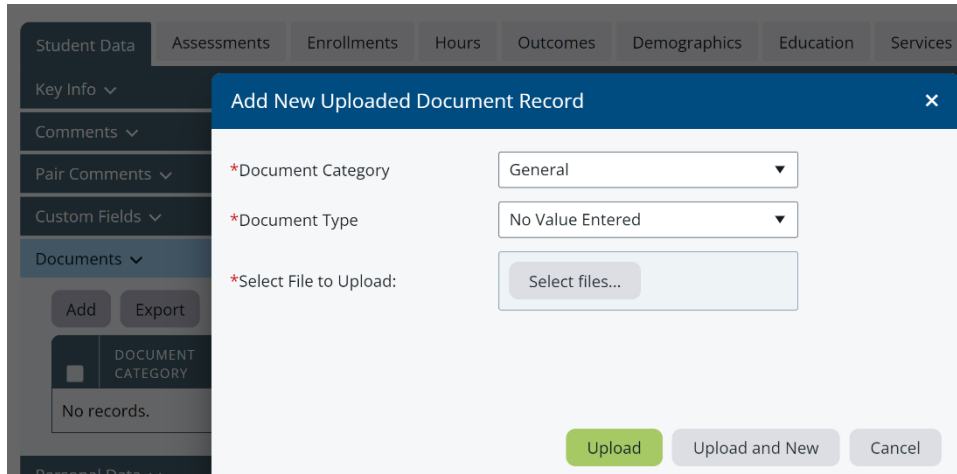
IETP MSG: No Value Entered

Additional Details: Technical/Occupational Skills Exams  
Secondary Transcript or Report Card  
Postsecondary Transcript or Report Card

SAVE SAVE AND NEW CANCEL



To upload the credential, go to Student Data > Documents > Add > Add New Document Record > Upload



The screenshot shows a software interface with a sidebar on the left containing navigation options: Student Data, Assessments, Enrollments, Hours, Outcomes, Demographics, Education, and Services. The 'Documents' section is expanded, showing 'Add' and 'Export' buttons. A modal window titled 'Add New Uploaded Document Record' is open, featuring three required fields: '\*Document Category' (set to 'General'), '\*Document Type' (set to 'No Value Entered'), and '\*Select File to Upload:' (with a 'Select files...' button). At the bottom of the modal are three buttons: 'Upload', 'Upload and New', and 'Cancel'.

The following LACES performance tables will be requested for IET grant reporting:

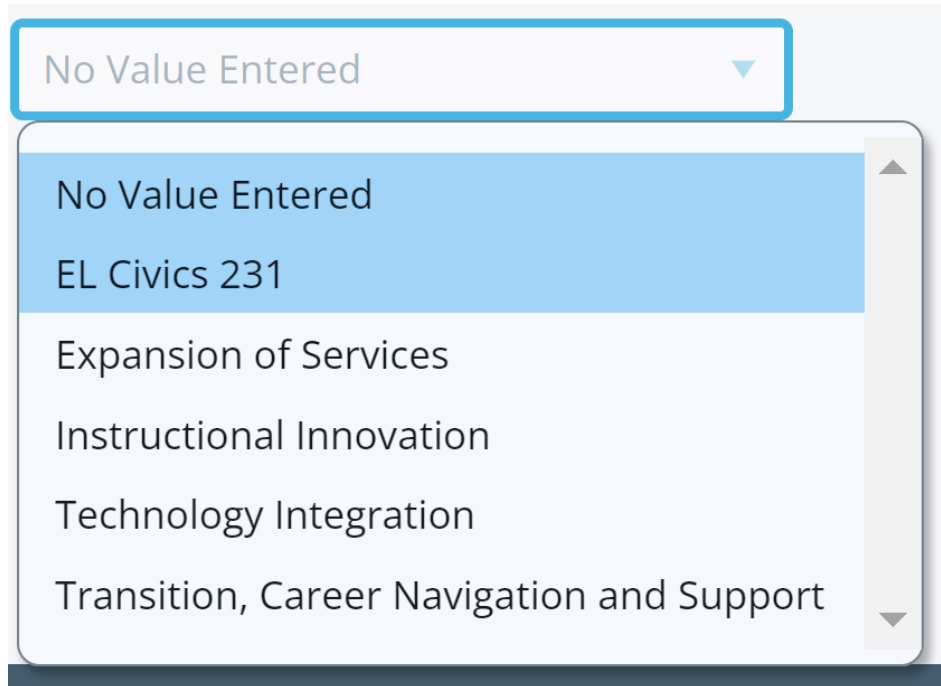
- NRS Table 3 (Participants by Program Type and Age)
- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)
- NRS Table 11 (Outcome Achievement for Participants in Integrated Education and Training Programs)

# P6: Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education (IELCE 231/EL Civics 231)

## Enrollment:

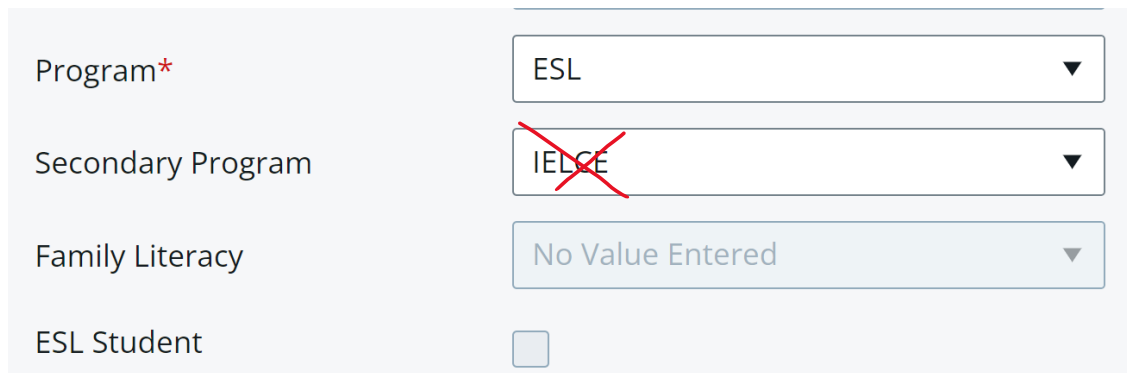
All IELCE 231/EL Civics 231 students must be identified at the **class level** during enrollment in the **Class Data** tab.

Class Data > Class Details > Department > select EL Civics 231



A screenshot of a dropdown menu. The top box shows "No Value Entered" with a downward arrow. The menu is open, showing a list of options: "No Value Entered", "EL Civics 231", "Expansion of Services", "Instructional Innovation", "Technology Integration", and "Transition, Career Navigation and Support". The "EL Civics 231" option is highlighted in blue.

IELCE 231 students should **NOT** be labeled IELCE under the secondary program. Only IELCE+T 243 students are identified as IELCE in LACES.



A screenshot of an enrollment form with four fields:

- Program\*: ESL
- Secondary Program: ~~IELCE~~
- Family Literacy: No Value Entered
- ESL Student:

**Grant Reporting:**

The following LACES performance tables will be requested for IELCE 231/EL Civics 231 grant reporting.

- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)

# P7: Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education + Training (IELCE+T 243)

## Enrollment in IELCE+T:

All IELCE+T 243 students must be identified at the **student level** during enrollment in the **Education** tab.

Education > Education > Secondary Program > select IELCE

IELCE+T should serve a cohort of identified limited English proficient learners.

Students who take the CASAS STEPS series assessment should score within NRS ESL Levels 4-6.

All participating NRS ESL 4-6 IELCE+T students must be identified in LACES as **IELCE** using the Secondary Program Area drop. It is not necessary to check “ESL Student”.

Program*	ESL ▼
Secondary Program	IELCE ▼
Family Literacy	No Value Entered ▼
ESL Student	<input type="checkbox"/>

All participating IELCE+T students who complete ESL Level 6 (239 and above) must be retested in the Goals series assessment and score within NRS ABE 3-4.

*Program:	ABE ▼
Secondary Program:	IELCE ▼
WIOA Core Program:	No Value Entered ▼
Family Literacy:	No Value Entered ▼
ESL Student:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

In order to ensure an accurate IELCE+T participant list (**Reminder: in LACES IELCE+T will be listed as IELCE**)

1. Create a view that shows all IELCE+T participants for the current fiscal year
2. Ensure that all students listed are indeed enrolled in IELCE+T for 2024-2025
3. If a student listed in not actively enrolled in IELCE+T this year, click into the record and change the IELCE program from IELCE to No Value Entered

**Goals and Achievements:**

All IELCE+T 243 students must have goals “set” at intake with a beginning date and at the end of the semester/program the goals should be “met” with an end date. These goals are identified at the **student level** in the **Outcomes** tab. This information populates NRS Table 9.

The Federal outcomes specific to IELCE+T are below.

- Achieve citizenship skills
  - Participant attains the skills needed to pass the U.S. citizenship exam.
- Increased involvement in community activities
  - Participant increases involvement in the following community activities:
    - Attending or organizing meetings of neighborhood, community or political organizations
    - Volunteering to work for such organizations.
    - Contributing to the support of such organizations.
    - Volunteering to work on community improvement activities.
- Vote or register to vote
  - Participant registers to vote or votes for the first time anytime during the program year.

To add the goal “set” and “met” dates, go to the Outcomes tab.

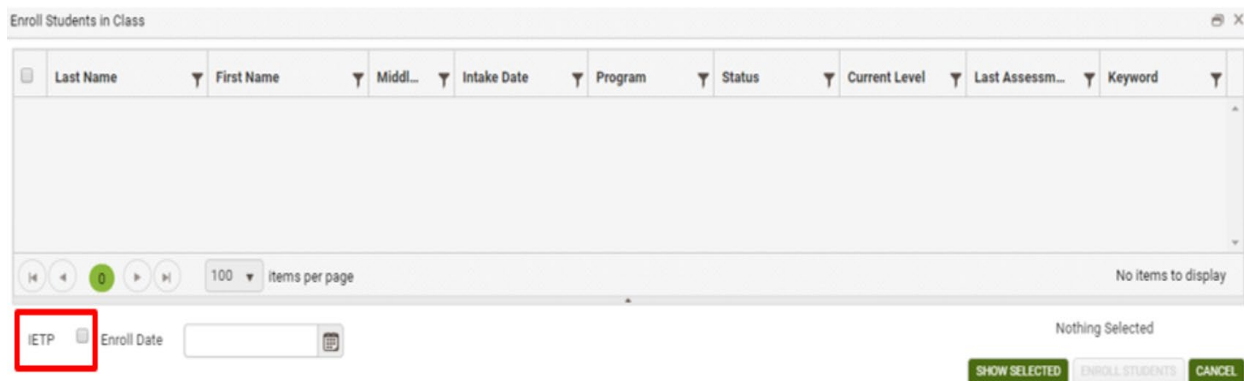
Outcomes > Goals and Achievements > All Goals > Category: NRS > Goal Type: Societal/Community

▼ Goal Type: Societal/Community			
Achieve citizenship skills			
Increased involvement in community activities			
Vote or register to vote			

## Enrollment in IET as part of IELCE+T:

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Enrollments > IETP/Credential



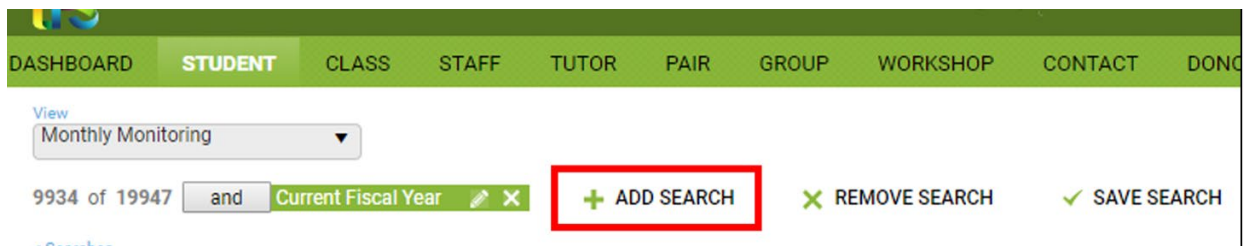
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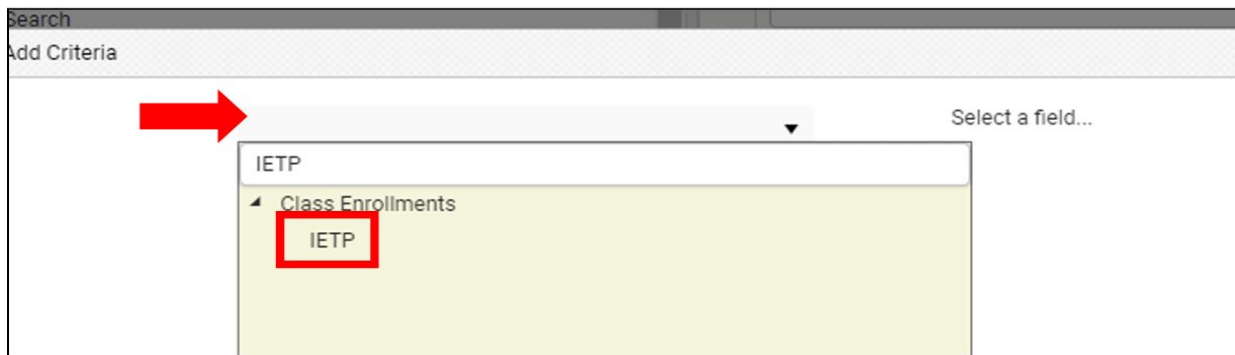
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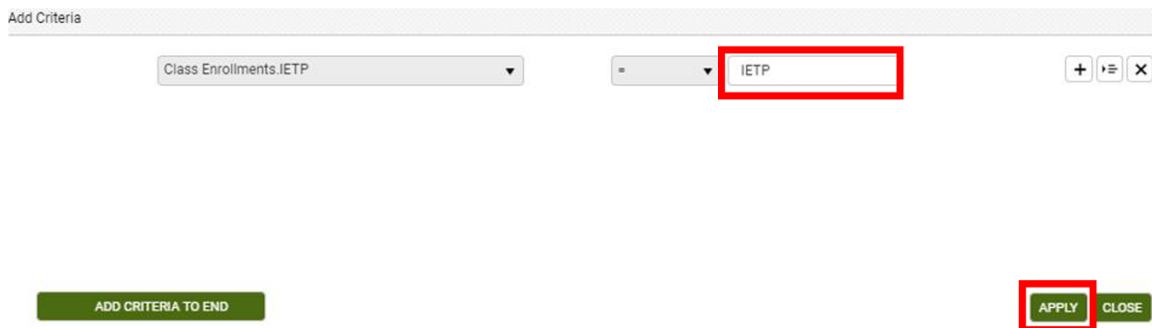
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Address 2:

\*City:

\*State: No Value Entered

\*Zip Code:

District: No Value Entered

Phone at Address:

Industry: No Value Entered

Course of Study: No Value Entered

\*Enroll Date:

Exit Date:

Total Hours Attended:

Earned Credits:

Credential Attained:

Date Earned:

4. Student record > Outcomes > IETP and Workplace Literacy Measurable Skills Gains > IETP MSG Type

Add New IETP and Workplace Literacy Measurable Skill Gains Record

\*Date:  Date is Required

\*IETP MSG Type: No Value Entered

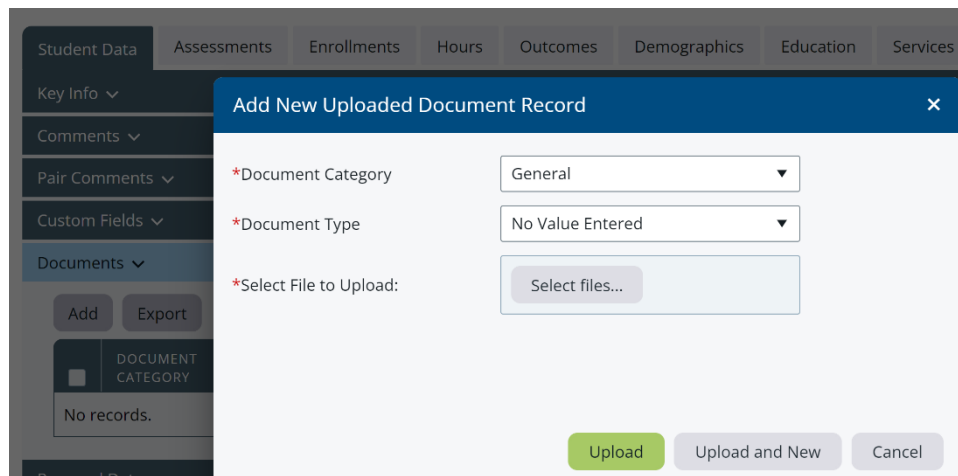
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Additional Details: Technical/Occupational Skills Exams  
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The following LACES performance tables will be requested for IELCE+T grant reporting:

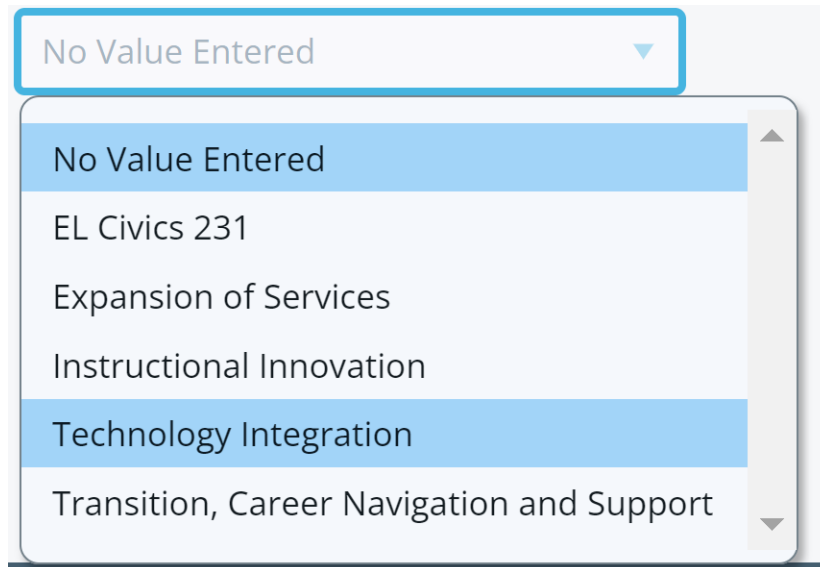
- NRS Table 3 (Participants by Program Type and Age)
- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)
- NRS Table 9 (Outcome Achievement for Participants in Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education)
- NRS Table 11 (Outcome Achievement for Participants in Integrated Education and Training Programs)

## P8: Technology Integration

Although not required for the Technology Integration funding, you may want to create a specific class to teach technology skills to students, such as a Northstar class, DART class or Google Applied Digital Skills class.

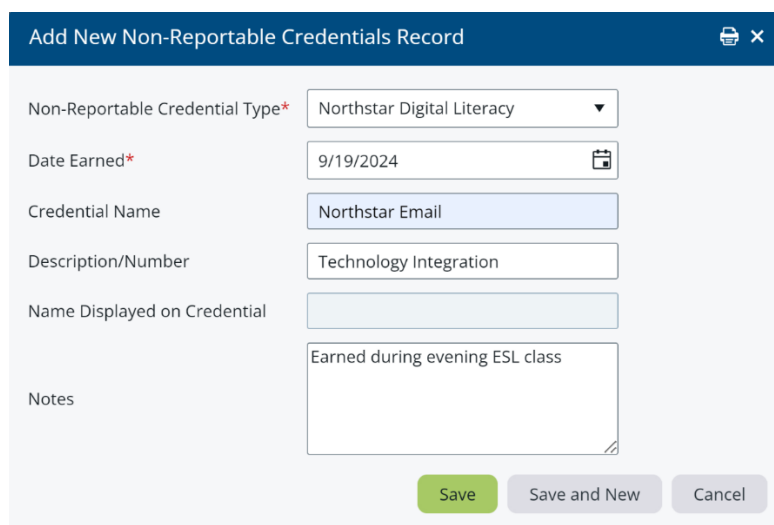
If you choose to create a class, students must be identified at the **class level** during enrollment in the **Class Data** tab.

Class Data > Class Details > Department > select Technology Integration



A screenshot of a dropdown menu. The menu is open, showing a list of options. The top option is 'No Value Entered'. Below it are 'EL Civics 231', 'Expansion of Services', 'Instructional Innovation', 'Technology Integration' (which is highlighted in blue), and 'Transition, Career Navigation and Support'. The dropdown is set against a light gray background.

To report Technology Integration Northstar Digital Literacy certificates, follow the path to Student Record > Education Tab > Non-Reportable Credential Panel.



A screenshot of a web form titled 'Add New Non-Reportable Credentials Record'. The form has a dark blue header with a close button. The fields are as follows:

- Non-Reportable Credential Type\***: A dropdown menu with 'Northstar Digital Literacy' selected.
- Date Earned\***: A date input field with '9/19/2024' and a calendar icon.
- Credential Name**: A text input field with 'Northstar Email'.
- Description/Number**: A text input field with 'Technology Integration'.
- Name Displayed on Credential**: An empty text input field.
- Notes**: A text area with the text 'Earned during evening ESL class'.

At the bottom right, there are three buttons: 'Save' (green), 'Save and New' (gray), and 'Cancel' (gray).

**Grant Reporting:**

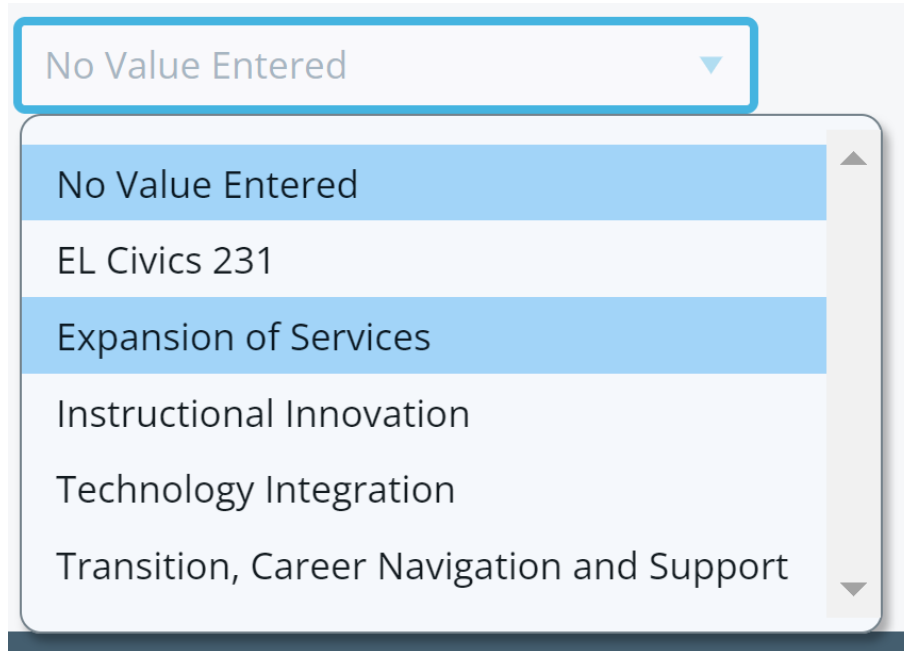
The following LACES performance tables will be requested for Technology Integration grant reporting.

- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)

## P8: Expansion of Services

All Expansion of Services students must be identified at the **class level** during enrollment in the **Class Data** tab.

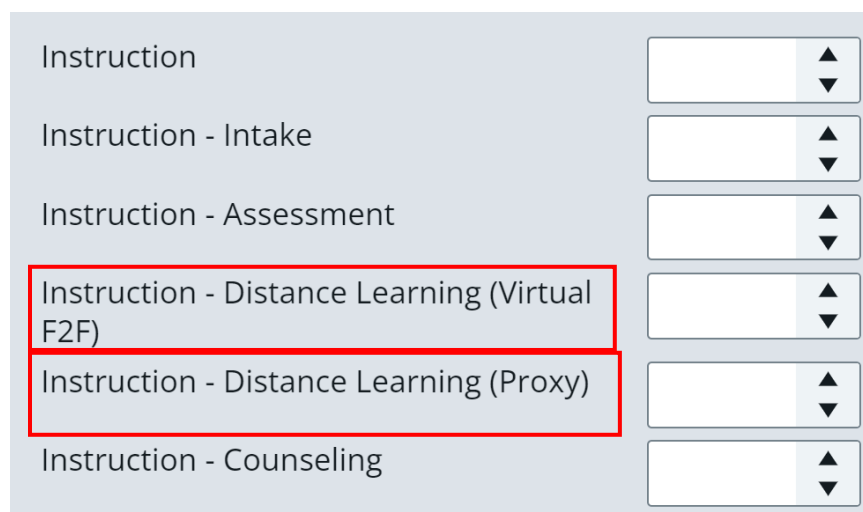
Class Data > Class Details > Department > select Expansion of Services



A screenshot of a dropdown menu. The menu is open, showing a list of options. The top option is "No Value Entered" with a small downward arrow to its right. Below it are "EL Civics 231", "Expansion of Services" (which is highlighted in blue), "Instructional Innovation", "Technology Integration", and "Transition, Career Navigation and Support". A vertical scrollbar is visible on the right side of the menu.

### Attendance:

When entering attendance, you must identify the type of Distance Learning (Virtual or Proxy).



A screenshot of an attendance entry form. It consists of a list of seven rows, each with a text label on the left and a dropdown menu on the right. The labels are: "Instruction", "Instruction - Intake", "Instruction - Assessment", "Instruction - Distance Learning (Virtual F2F)", "Instruction - Distance Learning (Proxy)", and "Instruction - Counseling". The two "Instruction - Distance Learning" rows are highlighted with a red rectangular border. Each dropdown menu has a small upward arrow on the left and a downward arrow on the right.

## Grant Reporting:

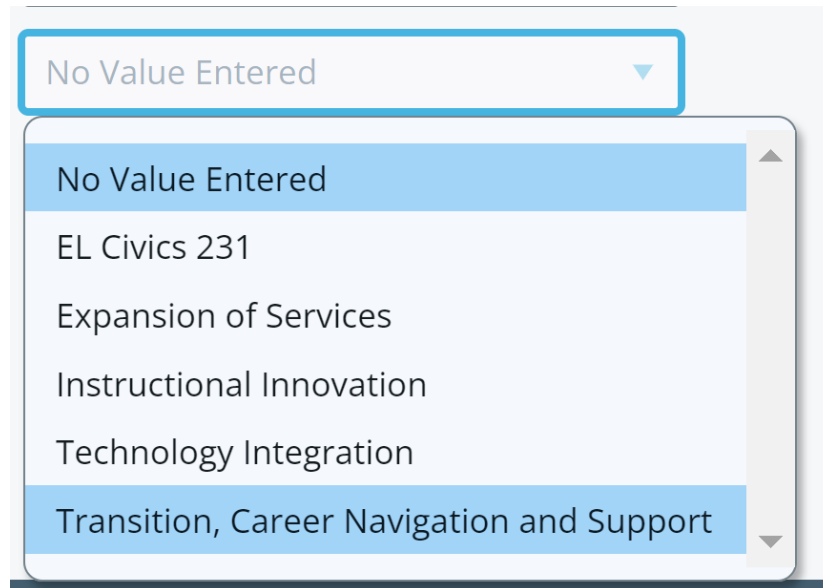
The following LACES performance tables will be requested for Instructional Innovation grant reporting.

- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 4C (Measurable Skill Gains by Entry Level for Participants in Distance Education)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)
- NRS Table 5A (Primary Indicators of Performance for Participants in Distance Education)
  - Please note that students are considered Distance Learners if **Greater Than 50%** of a student's total instructional hours in the year of exit are "Instruction-Distance Learning (Virtual or Proxy)" hours.

## P9: Transition, Career Navigation and Support

All Instructional Innovation students must be identified at the **class level** during enrollment in the **Class Data** tab.

Class Data > Class Details > Department > select Transition, Career Navigation and Support



### Grant Reporting:

The following LACES performance tables will be requested for Instructional Innovation grant reporting.

- NRS Table 4 (Measurable Skill Gains (MSG) by Entry Level)
- NRS Table 4A (Educational Functioning Level Gain)
- NRS Table 5 (Primary Indicators of Performance)

# Expected Performance Outcomes for All Priority Areas

Classes must be of sufficient intensity and quality so that students achieve substantial learning gains and relevant performance measures.

The CSDE must track and report data on the following Primary Indicators of Performance for each participant in each period of participation. This data is combined with data from other CT WIOA agencies on the Statewide Joint Performance Report annually. The CSDE will negotiate performance targets for these indicators and local agencies will be expected to set and meet targets under this contract. For each of the Primary Indicators of Performance, each program entry and exit per participant during the reporting period is considered a period of participation. An individual may have more than one period of participation in a program year; however, every period of participation is treated as a separate event for a participant and performance indicators apply separately to each period. This means that for each period of participation, the local provider must report measurable skill gains and conduct follow-up on the participant after exit from each period to collect data on the appropriate post-exit indicators. Additionally, only the most recent Measurable Skill Gain (MSG) achieved is reported per period of participation, even if more than one MSG is achieved.

Primary Indicators of Performance and CT Targets for 2024-2025.

Primary Indicators	Target
Employment Rate Q2	34.1%
Employment Rate Q4	35.2%
Median Earnings	\$6,600
Credential Attainment Rate	29.0%
Measurable Skills Gains (MSG)*	39.6%
Effectiveness in Serving Employers	N/A

\*Participants in a correctional institution under section 225 of WIOA who remain incarcerated after exit are included in the MSG indicator but excluded from:

- 2nd Quarter Employment Indicator
- 4th Quarter Employment Indicator
- Median Earning Indicator
- Credential Attainment Rate