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Authorization Webinars

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Progress Monitoring and Reporting Network (PMRN) Release

The PMRN/FAIR application is scheduled for release on Friday, August 15, 2014. Prior to its release, SSO Admins may authorize users for access. Three authorization webinars are scheduled to provide this information.

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Item Bank and Test Platform (IBTP) Release

The Item Bank and Test Platform (IBTP) application was officially released on Friday, July 18, 2014. Two webinars were hosted for school districts that indicated a high priority level. SSO Admins still needing to authorize users for access to IBTP may attend the authorization webinars mentioned above. The webinars will cover both IBTP and PMRN authorization information.

Location Changes

As the new school year approaches and staff move to new assignments within the school district, please be aware of how location changes affect SSO accounts. When an identity file is received and an existing user is reported with a different location, the user's location is updated and their authorizations are removed during the nightly file processing. The next day, an authorization file must be submitted to re-add the authorizations during the nightly file processing. This means there could be a one day gap between when a user's applications are available. If access to an application is urgently needed during the day, the SSO Admin Portal is available to re-add the authorization. Additionally, there are some authorizations that can't be submitted in files such as SSO Admin Portal access and IBTP staff or leadership access. These authorizations have to be re-added using the SSO Admin Portal following a location change.

New Service Center Information

The Florida Department of Education has created a new, integrated education network service center to assist end users with various "tier 1" issues for applications or services including: SSO, IBTP, PMRN/FAIR, CPALMS, CET, RVT, eIPEP, and ELAFAS. The service center can be reached by calling toll-free 1-855-814-2876 or by emailing IENHelp@fldoe.org, Monday to Friday from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM (EST).

TIBCO/FTP Changes

As announced earlier in the summer, the secure FTP site address for transferring SSO and CET files is changing. The SSO team will contact SSO Admins with the new host and directory information beginning August 18th.

If you have any questions regarding the updates included in the newsletter, please contact <u>fldoe-sso@fldoe.org</u>.