#### **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education-Higher Education Financial Services

- Coordinating agency
- Housed within the state education agency (K-12)
- Data collected from 2-year public, 4-year public, and independent (private, non-profit) institutions in the state
- Financial aid entity
- The District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education has received 1 NCES Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems grant (FY07), totaling over \$5.7 million.
- 1 of 2 state level postsecondary student unit record (SUR) systems
- Other postsecondary SURs in state (click on active link(s) to view profile):
  - District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education-Career Technical Education (not included in study)

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

## SUR NAME DC OneApp

Year SUR Established 2000

Last period of upgrade/modification Since 2000

Start up funds received **no**Recurring funds received **n/a** 

#### **Reasons SUR was Established**

-awarding financial aid

#### **Legal Authority to Collect Data**

-other legal authority (United States Congress)

#### INSTITUTIONAL COVERAGE, TYPES OF DATA, AND METADATA

#### **Institutional Coverage**

- -2-year public
- -4-year public
- -independent (private, non-profit)

## **IPEDS Roles**

## Verification

-coordinator

## Reporting

-coordinator

#### Participation in IPEDS Surveys not applicable

#### Types of Data Collected

- -demographic
- -postsecondary enrollment
- -finance (tuition, fees, fiscal management)
- -financial aid
- -completions

# **Authority to Change Data Elements/Definitions**

-agency/entity staff

#### Internal Primary Key(s) to Build Longitudinal Records

-Social Security Number (plans to discontinue use as internal primary key)

#### Metadata

#### business procedures

-data element dictionary

#### **USES OF SUR DATA**

## **Current Uses and Purposes**

- -decision-/policymaking
- -generating reports and statistics (internal and external)
- -research

#### **Types of Reports**

- -completions
- -financial aid (independent institutions included)
- -retention
- -transfer
- -tuition/fees/college costs

#### **Audiences Receiving Some or All Reports**

governor's office, federal agencies, other audience (community based organizations)

# LINKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH AGENCIES, STATES, AND ORGANIZATIONS

State P-20 Data Warehouse no

## Links to State Agencies/Entities

-state education agency (K-12)

Access to K-12 agency elements yes

## Links to Other States no

#### **Links to External Organizations**

-National Student Clearinghouse

## **Primary IDs Used in Matching**

-K-12 ID

#### **Demographic Elements Used in Matching**

- -name
- -date of birth
- -address

## **Legal Mechanisms Enabling Linking**

-memorandum of agreement/understanding

#### **Barriers to Linking**

- -coordination with other state authorities/administrators
- -FERPA concerns
- -lack of interest from other agencies



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## **MECHANISMS TO ENSURE DATA QUALITY**

## **Responsibility for Entering Data**

-office/division within agency/entity

## Responsibility for Checking/Verifying Data

-office/division within agency/entity

## **Method of Informing IR Personnel of Data Submission Inconsistencies**

-manual notification (e.g., email, phone call from agency/entity)

On-site Institutional Data Audits no

Professional Development for IR Professionals yes Mandatory? no Frequency as needed



#### **DATA ELEMENTS COLLECTED**

## Postsecondary Elements (36)

demographic

- ✓ student name
  - date of birth
    - gender
    - race/ethnicity
    - Social Security Number
    - K-12 identification number
    - Institutional identification number
    - student identification number
- ✓ citizenship
- ✓ state residency status

## postsecondary academic history

- admissions scores
- placement scores
- ✓ prior college(s) attended
  - transfer credits

enrollment status

- ✓ degree seeking status
- ✓ attendance status (full-/part-time)
- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> term of academic history
- ✓ program/major

financial aid

- dependency status
- family income
- ✓ federal financial aid
- ✓ state financial aid
- institutional financial aid
  - other financial aid
  - merit-based financial aid
  - need-based financial aid
- ✓ FAFSA fields

## academic activity

- course title
- course mode of instruction
- course grade
- term student credit hours (SCH) attempted
- term SCH earned

## academic attainment

- degree awarded
  - degree date
    - cumulative SCH earned
- ✓ cumulative GPA

## K-12 Elements (13)

demographic

- student free and reduced-price lunch eligibility
  - language spoken at home
  - disability status

high school background

- high school attended
  - district/school code
  - student resident county-district code

#### academic activity

- date student enrolled
- course type
- course title
- course grade

## academic attainment

- ✓ high school GPA
- high school graduation date
  - assessment scores

## Labor/Workforce Elements (15)

- employer ID number
- employer size (# of employees monthly)
- employer county
- wages earned
- wage type code
- hours worked
- employment quarter code
- employment year
- date student/employee applied for Unemployment Insurance (UI)
- date student first received UI check
- other agencies providing services to student while student is receiving UI
- U.S. Census North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code
- U.S. Census NAICS title
- U.S. Department of Labor Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) code
- U.S. Department of Labor SOC title