# **Educator Census Data Collection School Year 2016-2017**

**Software Instructions** 

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March 3, 2017

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# **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

#### **CPU**

Office 2003 requires a computer Pentium processor with a clock speed of at least 233 megahertz (MHz). Microsoft recommends a computer with a Pentium III or faster processor.

#### **Operating System**

Supports only the 32-bit edition of Access 2010: Windows XP with Service Pack (SP) 3, Windows Server 2003 SP2, MSXML 6.0.

# Memory

Microsoft recommends that your computer have a minimum of 128 MB of RAM. An additional 8 MB of RAM are required for each Office 2003 program that runs at the same time.

#### Available Hard Disk Space

Office 2003 requires 400 MB of available hard-disk space. Hard disk requirements vary, depending on your configuration. Custom installation choices may require more or less hard disk space.

# TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Call the helpdesk at (802) 479-1044 or Andrew McAvoy ((802) 479-1105 for assistance with data entry software.

Call (802) 479-1708 for questions about what data to include and how to enter it. Can (802) 479-1044 for assistance with the file sent to you, data submission and error problems.

# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Educator Census is available by download using the Secure EFT Server. Instructions for Setup and Connecting to the Agency of Education Secure EFT server are located on the <u>Agency</u> of Education Data Collections Web Page.

# STARTING THE APPLICATION

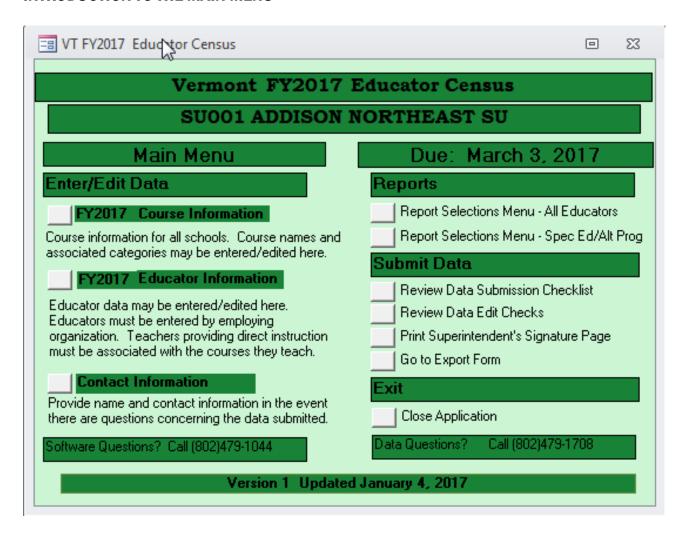
Go to the location on your computer, which was selected above to download the EdCensus17.mdb. Double-click on the EdCensus17.mdb to open.

# **DUE DATE**

The due date of this collection is March 03, 2017.



# INTRODUCTION TO THE MAIN MENU



#### **Enter/Edit Data**

Course Information Your 2015-2016 Course data has been pre-loaded. (Note: Special education primary instruction and team teaching assignment information are not pre-loaded from the previous year.) Course data should reflect all courses taught during the FY 2016-2017 school year. Refer to the Reporting Instructions for more information on how to enter courses.

Educator Information – In this section, you will enter information for <u>new educators</u>. Your 2015-2016 data on each educator has been pre-loaded. If pre-loaded information is incorrect, you cannot change it. See Reporting Instructions for more details. Information should be entered for all professional employees. Refer to the Reporting Instructions for more information on who to include in the Educator Census and how to enter courses and assignments.

Contact Information – In this section, you will enter the name, phone number, and email address of the person AOE should contact in the event we have a question about the Educator Census data you submit to us.



# **Reports**

Reports are for your reference only. Refer to the Reporting Instructions for a list of reports and documents to print and distribute to Principals, Special Education Directors, Career and Technical Center Directors, and Alternative Program Directors. The principals and directors should manually update or correct the information listed on the reports, and completes the blank educator and special educator forms for any new educators who joined their staffs in 2015-2016. The principals should return the corrected paper reports and forms to the SU office for data entry. To allow you sufficient time to enter new information, a deadline to return changes and updates to the Supervisory Union should also be given.

Reports initially reflect pre-loaded data. As you add and update information in the Educator Census, the changes and additions will be reflected on the reports.

#### **Submit Data**

Review Data Submission Checklist – Provides a list to review before performing data exports.

Review Edit Checks – Provides a list of possible errors in your data.

Print Superintendent's Signature Page – A signed Signature Page must be submitted with each Employing Organization's data.

Set Export Path and Export to Disk – Here you will create and export each Employing Organization's data.

#### Exit

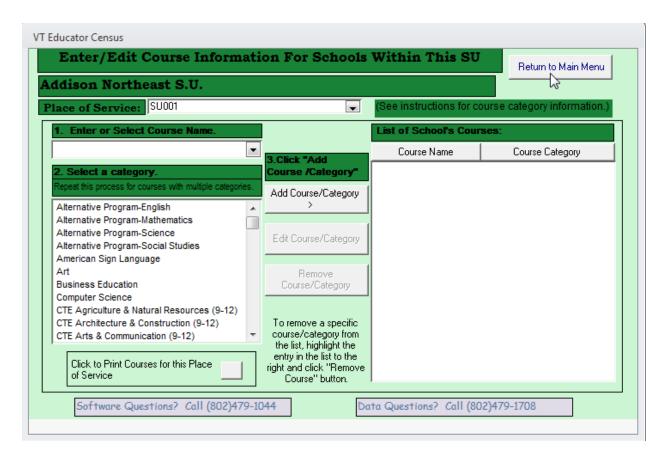
Close Application – This button allows you to exit the application; all data will be saved before exiting.



# **ENTER/EDIT DATA**

#### **Course Information Screen**

Select a Place of Service from the drop down list. Pre-loaded course names will appear in the List of School's Courses and are also available in the Enter or Select Course Name drop down list.



How to revise pre-loaded course information

If a course name or course category needs to be updated, select the course name from the List of School's Courses list by clicking on it, and select the Edit Course/Category button. You will now have the opportunity to edit the name of the course or course category.

Note: Changing the course category may affect HQT calculations for all educators teaching the course. See the Reporting Instructions for more information about HQT implications.

To delete a course at a Place of Service because it was not offered during the 2015-2016 school year, select the course name from the List of School's Courses and click the Remove Course/Category button.

Note: The course will not be deleted if there are still educators associated with the course. You can use the Courses with Associated Educators report to determine what educators are still associated with the course.



You may also leave the course in the list for that Place of Service if you expect it to be taught again in future years.

To delete a course for a specific person see pg. 10.

How to enter information for new courses

Enter additional courses that were taught during the 2015-2016 school year in the Enter or Select Course Name section. Then select a course category to associate with each new course from the Select a Category list. A course may need to be associated with more than one course category; in this case, for each course category, select the course category then click Add Course/Category.

Click the Add Course/Category button.

Note: A course can be associated with more than one category. For example, a 10<sup>th</sup> grade Humanities course that offers credit in either history or English should be entered twice, once in association with Social Studies-History and once in association with English (7-12).

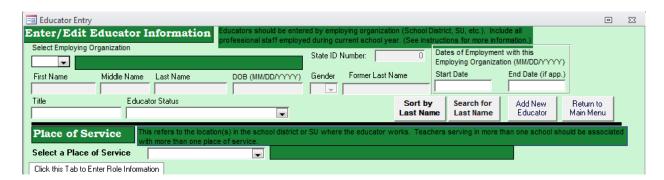
How to view courses for a Place of Service

Select the Print Courses for this Place of Service button. Select the printer icon on the tool bar to print, or select Close on the toolbar to close the view.

Repeat this process as needed for each specific Place of Service within your SU or District. A template will then be built for each Place of Service.



#### **Educator Information Screen**



Enter/Edit Educator Information –You will not edit information that has been preloaded about existing educators. If you believe any part of the pre-loaded educator information is incorrect and have checked with the educator themselves, have them update the information themselves in the ALiS system so it will be pre-loaded correctly the following year. See the Reporting Instructions for more information. To begin entering educator information, select an Employing Organization from the drop down list. Once an Employing Organization has been selected, all pre-loaded educator information for that organization will be available. You should then add any new educators. Be careful, as any errors here will remain until the following year.

How to add/enter new educator information

Click on the Add New Educator button on the right side of the screen. This will give you a blank record to input data for a new educator.

How to navigate the enter/edit educator information section

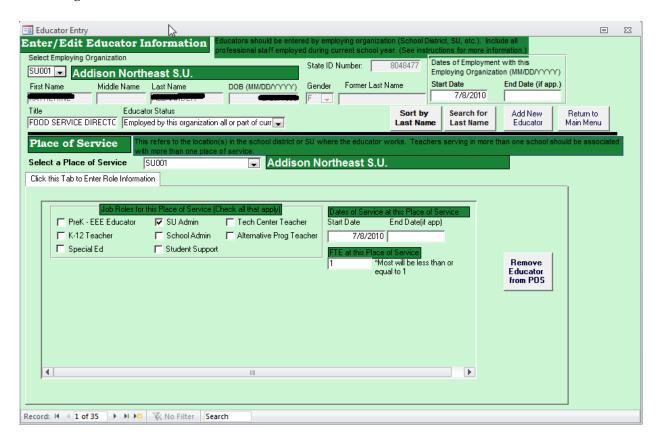
Selecting the Search for Last Name button will allow you to bring up a specific record for an educator that is loaded into the application.

Selecting the Sort by Last Name button will organize the records alphabetically. Selecting the Return to Main Menu will return you to the main form of the application.



## **Place of Service Information**

Select at least one Place of Service for each educator using the drop down list. Enter the following information:



Job Role - Indicate which job role(s) the educator has at this Place of Service.

Dates of Service

Start Date - Indicate when the educator began working at the Place of Service.

End Date - If the educator stopped working at this Place of Service during the current school year, enter their last day of service.

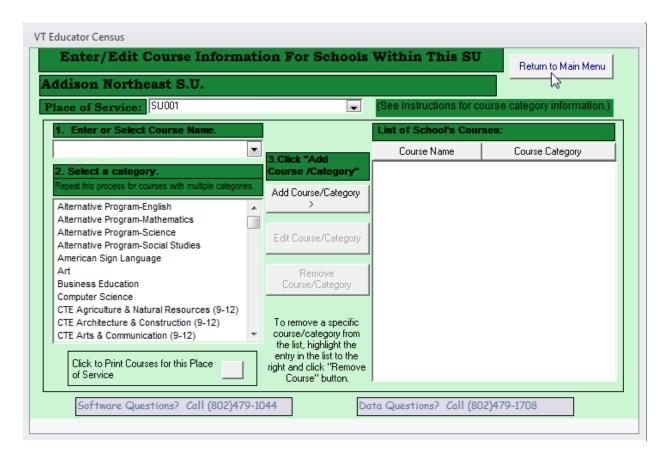
FTE at this Place of Service - Indicate the full-time equivalent (FTE) employment of the educator's service time at this Place of Service. Typically, the total FTE for an educator at all Places of Service should not be greater than 1.

Remove Educator from POS button is used for duplicate or incorrect entries.

Refer to the Reporting Instructions for more information about job roles, the steps to use when entering end dates, and FTEs.



#### **Course Information**



Course Assignments for K-12 Teachers, Tech Center Teachers, and Alternative Program Teachers

You will be required to input course information for educators with the K-12 Teacher, Tech Center Teacher, and Alt Prog Teacher roles in the Click this Tab to Enter Course(s) Taught form that opens when these roles are checked.

To remove a course associated with the educator at this Place of Service, check the Remove Course checkbox to the right of the course you wish to delete and click the Click to Remove Course button. Do not remove the Role (i.e. K-12 or SPED teacher) without first deleting the courses. Do not remove the courses by deleting them manually. You must click the remove button to avoid data from remaining. See Reporting Instructions for more details.

Primary Instruction Assignments for Special Educators

When the Special Ed role is checked, Click this Tab to Enter Special Ed Information form opens. Here you will need to choose a consulting or a primary instruction role:

For consulting Special Educators who provide NO primary instruction, choose "This special educator provides no primary instruction to students in "core" content areas."



For Special Educators who provide primary instruction, choose "All or part of this special educator's position involves the primary instruction of individual students or groups of students in "core" content area(s)."

You will be required to input core area primary instruction assignment information for special educators who provide primary instruction.

Refer to the Reporting Instructions for more information about entering SPED courses and assignments.

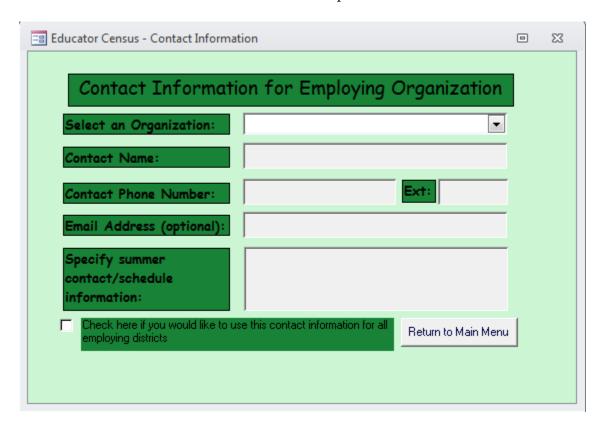
#### **Contact Information**

#### **Enter Contact Information**

You will use this screen to enter contact information for questions the Vermont Agency of Education may have in reviewing your data submission. Click on the box on the lower left of the contact information form to use the same contact information for all of your Employing Organizations.

You will not be able to export data for an Employing Organization unless the contact information is provided.

Please make sure that all contact information is up-to-date.





# **REPORTS**

# **Reports - All Educators**

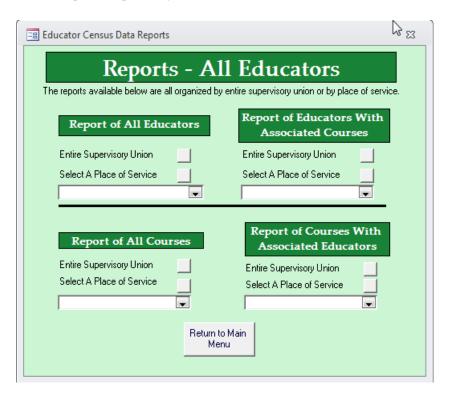
This report menu is accessed by clicking the Reports Selection Menu – All Educators button on the main menu. You can view/print reports by the Entire Supervisory Union or by the Place of Service.

You can print the following reports from this menu:

- Report of All Educators
- Educators with Associated Courses
- Report of All Courses
- Courses with Associated Educators

# **Printing Reports**

To view/print reports by:

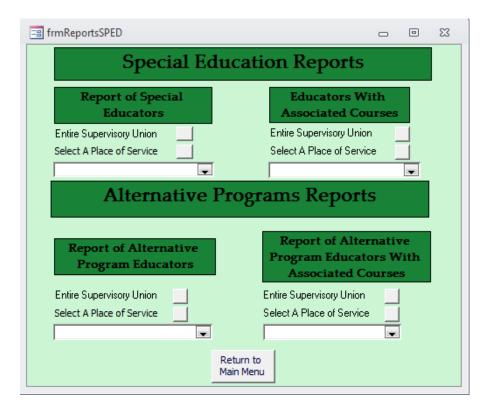


Click the gray box to the right of Entire Supervisory Union under the Heading Selection to view report for all Educators in the Supervisory Union

Click on the drop down arrow and click on Place of Service to select it. Click on the gray box to the right of Select a place of Service to view a report for individual schools.



Reports - Special Education Reports & Alternative Programs



Click the gray box to the right of Entire Supervisory Union under the Heading Selection to view report for all Educators in the Supervisory Union

Click on the drop down arrow and click on Place of Service to select it. Click on the gray box to the right of Select a place of Service to view a report for individual schools.

This report menu is accessed by clicking the Reports Selection Menu – Spec Ed/Alt Prog button on the main menu. You can view/print reports by the Entire Supervisory Union or by the Place of Service.

You can print the following reports from this menu:

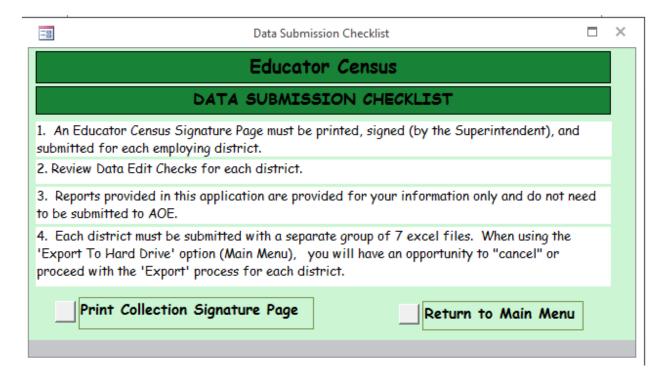
- Report of All Special Educators
- Special Educators with Associated Primary Instruction Assignments
- Report of All Alternative Program Educators
- Alternative Program Educators with Associated Courses



# **SUBMIT DATA**

# **Review Data Submissions Checklist**

The Data Submission Checklist screen is accessible by clicking the Review Data Submission Checklist button on the main menu.



The Educator Census Signature Page must be printed and signed (by the Superintendent) for each Employing Organization.

The Educator Census Signature Page can be printed from the Data Submission Checklist screen or from the Main Menu.

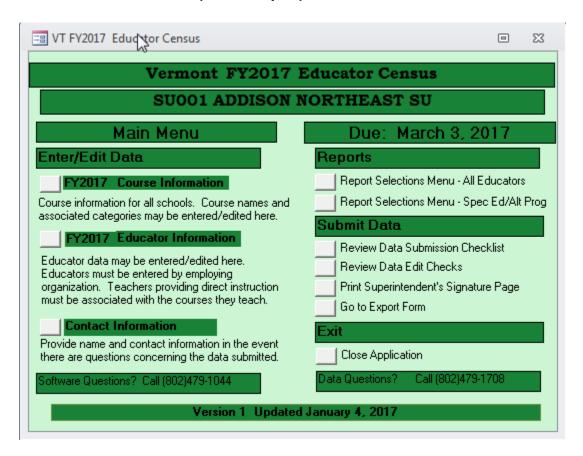
Review edit checks for each Employing Organization. Click the button Review Data Edit Checks on the main menu and follow the on-screen instructions.

Reports provided in this application are submitted for your information only and do not need to be submitted to AOE. NOTE: Before submitting data, however, it's a good idea to review all reports for accuracy. If you have time after entering/correcting the data, it's a good idea to send updated copies of the reports to the principals, special education directors, alternative education directors, and career and technical center directors so that they can verify that the information they gave you is correct.

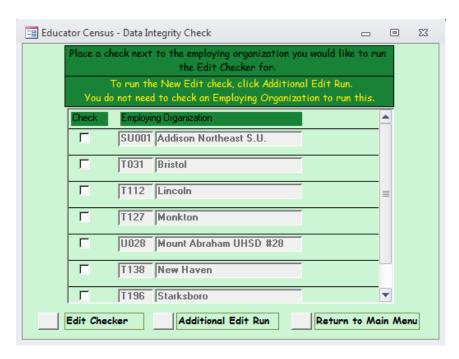
Each Employing Organization must be submitted. A folder will be created upon Export. You will only need to use one disk (CD) or upload to the AOE via FTP server to submit data. When using the Set Export Path and Export to Disk (Main Menu), you will have an opportunity to cancel or proceed with the Make a Disk process for each Employing Organization.



# **Review Data Edit Checks (Before Export)**

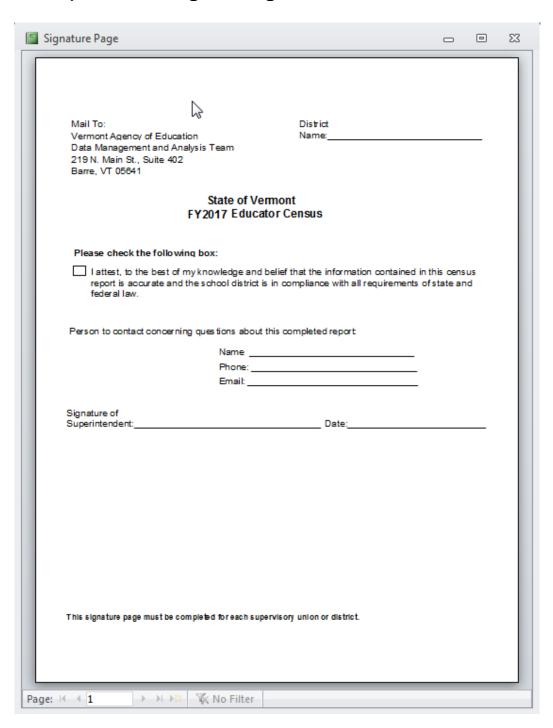


You will have the ability to choose which Employing Organization(s) you would like to run review edit checks for before exporting data.





# **Print Superintendent's Signature Page**



Print a Signature Page for each District

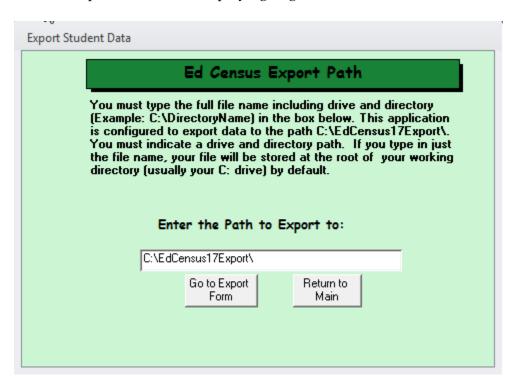
Each disk must be submitted with a Signature Page signed by the Superintendent certifying the accuracy of the information provided. Mail the disks and signature pages to the address below.

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# **Set Export Path and Export to Hard Drive**

Click this button to create the export path for each Employing Organization to be either exported to be saved and send via EFT Server or CD. When using the Set Export path and Export to Disk option (Main Menu), you will have an opportunity to cancel or proceed with the Make Disk process for each Employing Organization.



# Export to Hard Drive-

If you are submitting data by the FTP Server, please export the files for each Employing Organization to the default Ed Census location (C:\EdCensus17Export\). You will be notified when each export is completed; each Employing Organization will have six (6) Excel files. Connect to the EFT Server and log in using the username and password that was provided to you. Find the folder EdCensus15Export located on your C: drive under the Local Site. Upload the files using the process outlined in the Secure File Transfer instructions on our data collections webpage.

#### **EXIT**

# **Close Application**

Click Close Application to exit the Educator Census Application.

