

2012/13 Distributed Learning (DL) Enrolment Audit Program

Date of Visit: _____ **School Visited:** _____ **School District:** _____

Lead Auditor: _____ **Audit Team Members:** _____

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Teacher Regulation Branch (TRB)				
<p><i>To be eligible for provincial funding, Boards of Education must ensure that students are:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>under the supervision of, assessed and evaluated by a member of the Ministry of Education Teacher Regulation Branch</i> <p>(Ref: K-12 Funding General Policy)</p>	<p>Verification that all staff teaching K-12 students hold a certificate of qualification as a teacher, or a letter of permission to teach issued under Section 25(2) of the <i>Teaching Profession Act</i>.</p>	<p>Whether teaching staff are current members of the TRB.</p>	<p>Key Documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>School Act</i> Section 17 to 20 • BC Regulation 265/89, Sec.4-Duties of a teacher • K-12 Funding General Policy • TRB Website: www.bcteacherregulation.ca/CertificateServices/FindATeacher.aspx <p>Audit Steps</p> <p>1. Prior to the audit, verify teachers' membership in the TRB by reviewing each of the teachers' current membership.</p>	
B.C. RESIDENCY AND OUT-OF-PROVINCE STUDENTS				
<p><i>To be eligible for provincial funding, Boards of Education must ensure that students are:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>ordinarily resident in BC (and where applicable) with their parent/legal guardian</i> • <i>enrolled in the district</i> <p>(Ref: K-12 Funding General Policy)</p> <p><i>Boards or authorities are required to establish their own residency policy consistent with the School Act, Ministry legislation and policy. A Board or Authority may not charge tuition fees to students who are temporarily out of the province, but who are ordinarily resident in British Columbia, under their residency policy.</i></p>	<p>Confirmation that there is a District wide process to ensure funded students are ordinarily resident in BC.</p> <p>Evidence that those DL students who are living in or temporarily outside of British Columbia meet the ordinarily resident in B.C. requirement.</p>	<p>Whether the Board of Education has a residency policy/process in compliance with provincial requirements.</p> <p>That students reported for funding are ordinarily resident in BC and therefore eligible for provincial funding.</p>	<p>Key Documents: As above, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributed Learning – BC Residency Policy • School Act, Section 168 (3) • School, Act, Section 82 (1,2) <p>Audit Steps:</p> <p>Determine the school process for ensuring students (incl. adults), and parents/legal guardians (of school-age students) are ordinarily resident in BC.</p> <p>1. Interview appropriate staff, to determine board policy, guidelines and directives that ensure that the students and parents/guardians (where applicable) are ordinarily resident in BC. Obtain a copy of the Board's policy.</p> <p>2. Interview appropriate staff to determine board policy, guidelines and directives ensuring that the students and parents/guardians (where applicable), who are temporarily out of the province, are ordinarily residents of BC.</p> <p>3. Determine if there is evidence on file indicating when</p>	

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<p><i>Evidence used to establish residency must be kept in the student's file.</i></p> <p>Non-residents Within Canada: Boards or authorities may wish to enrol students located outside of the province in distributed learning schools or programs. The School Act outlines procedures for the provision of educational programs for students who are resident in the province, not for those temporarily or permanently residing outside of the province. (Ref: DL-BC Residency Policy)</p> <p>The DL BC Residency Policy does not enable boards/authorities to offer DL services outside of Canada.</p>		<p>Whether there is evidence for the sampled students who are temporarily out of the province indicating they intend to return to British Columbia within a reasonable amount of time.</p>	<p>each sampled student who is temporarily out of the province will be returning to BC.</p> <p>4. Document any discrepancies on an Observation Sheet and attach supporting documentation. NOTE: Student files should be able to clearly demonstrate that students are temporarily out of the province. NOTE: The evidence requirement is for Ministry audit verification only. Evidence may take the form of hard copy/electronic scanned documents, notes on file, conversations, and meeting minutes, etc. NOTE: Verification of residency and district enrolment is included in the audit steps below.</p> <p>Audit Steps – Non-Resident Students:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Interview appropriate staff to determine if there are any international or out-of-province students. 2. Obtain a list of those students and check them against the ECHO9100 report. <p>Note: International/Out-of-province students are not eligible for funding.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Document discrepancies on an Observation Sheet and attach supporting documentation. 	
STUDENT MUST BE ACTIVE				
<p><i>The Ministry will only fund enrolled students that meet the active policy... Active participation in distributed learning is equivalent to attendance in a school and is a requirement under the School Act.. Public boards of education or authorities must have evidence of active participation to be funded by the Ministry for a distributed learning student's course or program.</i> (Ref: DL-Active Policy)</p> <p>Definitions: Activation Submission Dates September Claims: September 28,</p>	<p>Evidence that the students claimed on Form 1701 have met the DL Active policy requirements.</p>	<p>Whether the students claimed for funding meet the requirements of the DL Active policy.</p>	<p>Key Documents: As above, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current DL Active Policy • DL Standards – February 2010 • Adult Funding Policy • Form 1701 Instructions (for 2012/13 school year) • Required Areas of Study in an Education Program Order M295/95 • Graduation Program Order M302/04 • BC Adult Graduation Requirements Order M320/04 <p>Audit Steps: Grades K – 9</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Using the student sample verify: that the student and parent/legal guardian (where applicable) is/are ordinarily resident in BC in 	

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<p>2012. For all students enrolled in Distributed Learning Schools, report according to the "active" policy as at September 28.</p> <p>September Timeline: report all new courses leading to graduation in which the Grade 10-12 student was active between May 5, 2012 and September 28, 2012.</p> <p>February Claims: February 15, 2013. For all students enrolled in Distributed Learning Schools, report according to the "active" policy as at February 15.</p> <p>February Timeline: report all new courses leading to graduation in which the Grade 10-12 student was active between September 29, 2012 and February 15, 2013.</p> <p>(Ref: Form 1701 Instructions)</p> <p>Active Date – for a student in a course or program is the earliest date, supportable with evidence, which satisfies the policy conditions.</p> <p>Attend – To be enrolled in an educational program that includes distributed learning; and to participate in an educational activity by means of distributed learning.</p> <p>Student Learning Plan (SLP) – A document listing the courses or components of a student's program of studies meeting Required Areas of Study or Graduation Program Order requirements.</p> <p>Course Selection/Enrolment Form - A document on file at the school listing the course(s) in which the student is enrolled and the date(s) of enrolment.</p> <p>Course Plan - A document for each</p>			<p>accordance with District policy/procedures.</p> <p>To determine that the students were active in the funded program by the appropriate activation submission timeline listed in the Form 1701 Instructions, verify that the school records meet the Active policy requirements. Is there:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evidence of the student's active participation in the program three weeks after the activation date? Are exceptions (e.g. sickness) documented and reasonable? 2. A teacher-developed student learning plan (SLP) and a documented commitment to the learning plan from the parent. A documented commitment can include such evidence as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a logged parent/teacher meeting discussing the SLP • email discussion between parent and teacher regarding the SLP • documented information about parent reviewing SLP • other documented forms of communication identifying parent was involved in SLP development 3. Evidence the SLP was in place by the appropriate activation submission date. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has the plan been created by and is it being led by a BC Certified Teacher? • Is there evidence to ensure the roles of teachers and parents are clearly defined and communicated before the student enrolls? 4. Document discrepancies on an Observation Sheet and attach supporting documentation. <p>Grades 10 – 12</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Using the student sample verify that the student and parent/legal guardian (where applicable) is/are ordinarily resident in BC in accordance with District's policy/procedures. <p>To determine that the students in the sample were active in each course claimed for funding by the</p>	

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<p><i>course that provides links to learning outcomes, performance standards, required resources, and assessment strategies. Examples include course outlines, syllabi, and instructional designs.</i> (Ref: DL Active Policy)</p> <p>To be considered active in a DL course/program for funding purposes: <i>School files for Grade K-9 students must contain dated evidence that a student is active at the activation submission date, as listed in the 1701 Instructions to claim funding. The minimum evidence is a teacher-developed learning plan and a documented commitment from a parent. Additionally, there must be evidence of the student's active participation in the funded educational program three weeks after the activation submission date:</i></p> <p><i>School files for Grade 10-12 students (including all adult claims) must contain all of the following at the activation submission date as listed in the 1701 instructions to be claimed for funding.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>at least one substantive student course activity submitted by the student to the teacher. The substantive student course activity will be clearly linked to the learning outcomes of each course claimed, will be dated, marked, and represents a minimum of five percent of the course's learning activities. Evidence supporting the gradebook entry must be provided, and dated on or</i> 			<p>appropriate activation submission timeline listed in the Form 1701 Instructions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Verify there is a course plan (that meets the Active Policy's description) for each course in which the student is claimed. 2. Verify there is a current course selection/enrolment form (that meets the Active Policy's definition), dated and signed by the student and/or parent, listing each eligible course claimed for funding. The current course selection/enrolment form will be on site, or there is documentation readily available to verify that the school of record maintains the course selection/enrolment form. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For non-graduated school age and adults – the FTE claimed reflects eligible courses and the course(s) listed meet the graduation requirements • For school age graduates – the FTE claimed reflects eligible courses. • For graduated adults – the courses are only those contained on the list of tuition free courses for Graduated Adults (known as: Appendix 1) 3. Verify there is evidence of substantive student course activity (that meets the Active Policy's description), for each eligible course, submitted to the teacher by the student prior to claiming funding. 4. Document discrepancies on an Observation Sheet and attach supporting documentation. 	

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<p><i>before the Active date.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A clear course plan for each subject listed on the signed student course selection form, which links to learning outcomes, performance standards, required resources and assessment strategies. This course plan is the evidence supporting the requirement that assigned work is meeting the learning outcomes. • A current course selection/enrolment form listing the claimed eligible courses that meet graduation requirements. (Ref. DL Active Policy) 				
FUNDING				
<p><i>School-aged students in K through Grade 9 can only be reported in one school. By agreement between schools students may take courses in schools and DL schools concurrently, exchanging appropriate fees for services, however only one school may report the student for funding purposes. (Form 1701 Instructions, P.3)</i></p> <p>Grade 10–12: A student enrolling only in Grade 10-12 courses in a DL school or program, who is also enrolled in a Grade K-9 school or program in another school, is counted as a Grade 10-12 student for funding purposes.</p> <p>Adults: All adults must become active in their eligible course(s) to be claimed for funding.</p> <p>Non graduated adults: may take eligible courses that lead to the British Columbia Certificate of Graduation (the Dogwood) or the Adult Graduation Diploma (the Adult Dogwood).</p>	<p>Verification that students enrolled in DL schools/ programs are enrolled and claimed for funding in accordance with Ministry requirements.</p>	<p>Whether the student funding claims meet the requirements for enrolment for the DL courses.</p>	<p>Key Documents: As above, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Act Section 3 – Entry to educational program. • Current DL Funding Policy • LearnNow BC website www.learnnowbc.gov.bc.ca <p>Audit Steps - Grades K-12:</p> <p>1. For the sampled students who are claimed for the first time in the February count, how many of these students transferred from a bricks and mortar school after September 30. Note on an observation sheet and provide details.</p> <p>Audit Steps - Grades K–9</p> <p>Note: No compliance audit step is required to identify duplicate enrolment for the K-9 students. The BCeSIS and Form 1701 process identifies duplication in enrolment. Boards make their own arrangements for shared services as long as no tuition fees are charged to the student.</p> <p>Audit Steps - Grades 10–12</p> <p>1. Determine if any of the sampled students re-enrolled in the same course(s) in consecutive funding periods.</p> <p>Definition: determination of re-enrolment (or re-registration) refers to DL courses only and does not</p>	

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<p>• Graduated adults: <i>Adults that have completed the graduation requirements from a secondary school or high school in BC or in another jurisdiction are only eligible for courses contained on the list of tuition free courses for Graduated Adults.</i></p> <p>Re-Claimed Courses: <i>Students are not allowed to take the same course at the same time at two different schools. A course must be completed or withdrawn from before a student can enrol in the same course again.</i></p> <p><i>For Grade 10-12 students (including adults) to be eligible for new funding in the same DL course(s) in the same DL school, the following conditions must be met:</i></p> <p><i>i. The student must have been previously reported as failed (through course completion), or completed the course and want to improve their mark, or were withdrawn from that course.</i></p> <p><i>ii. If course was withdrawn from or not completed there must be a record of student inactivity for two DL enrolment counts along with a corresponding record of attempts made by the DL school to contact the student for that course.</i></p> <p><i>iii. All areas of study consistent with the Integrated Resource Package requirements for the course, must be provided to the student in all re-claimed course instances.</i></p> <p><i>iv. Assessment of the student's past</i></p>			<p>apply to students withdrawing from a course in a traditional school and then re-enrolling for the same course in a DL school. (see audit criteria - Re-Claimed Courses)</p> <p>2. Determine that FTEs reported on ECHO9100 represent only new course claims. Schools cannot report for new funding in the same course unless following are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligible course re-claim a) previous course claimed was completed and either failed or improved mark required, and b) assessment of past work cannot be used to evaluate re-claimed course. • Withdrawn or incomplete re-claims are ineligible unless there is a) a record of student inactivity for two DL reporting periods; b) corresponding records of attempts to re-engage student in the course; and, c) assessment of past work cannot be used to evaluate re-claimed course. • For all eligible re-claims, all areas of study consistent with IRP requirements for course must be provided to student. <p>3. Check all selected non-graduated adults and verify that they are being claimed in accordance with DL Active and Adult Funding policy requirements (non grads must be taking eligible courses that lead to graduation).</p> <p>4. Check all selected graduated adults to verify that the course(s) are eligible as listed on Appendix 1 and meet the DL Active and Adult Funding policy requirements.</p> <p>5. Document discrepancies on an Observation Sheet and attach supporting documentation.</p>	

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<p><i>work must not be used to evaluate re-claimed course progress.</i> (Ref. DL Funding Policy)</p>				
<p>Course Claim Eligibility (Number of Eligible Courses Reported) <i>The Board will provide a tuition-free educational program by means of Distributed Learning through LearnNow BC (Ref. Sec.6 Distributed Learning Agreement)</i></p>				
<p style="text-align: center;">‘COURSE’ Clarifications:</p> <p>Course Definition: <i>A course is defined by the Student Credentials Ministerial Order M164/96...consider a four credit course (approximately 120 hours) as one course and a two credit course (approximately 60 hours) as a half course (see chapter 2 of the Handbook of Procedures for the Graduation Program for credit definition).</i> (Ref: Form 1701 Instructions, P.12)</p> <p>Not fundable through Form 1701: (Ref: Form 1701 Instructions, P.12) <i>Items that are not secondary courses, such as prior learning assessment, credit granting, tutorial time and teacher consultation, and courses completed via challenge. NOTE: Partial credit courses are Ministry approved and must have assigned Ministry course code (verify through online Course Registry).</i></p> <p>Planning 10: Planning 10 is a four-credit grade 10 course designed for delivery within the school timetable at grade 10. Planning 10 is ineligible for partial credit. (Ref. Planning 10 FAQ http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/pdfs/health_career_education/support_materials/planning10_qa.pdf). Planning 12 is a course that will allow non-graduated adult students to take Planning 10 as a Grade 12 elective for the Adult Dogwood Program (if Planning 10 was not completed in secondary school). Adults in the Adult Dogwood program receive Grade 12 credit recognition based on the previous completion of Planning 10 – not a duplicate funding claim.</p> <p>General Education Development (GED): (Ref: GED Preparation Course Funding Policy and Form 1701 Instructions, P.2) <i>The Ministry of Education will fund the delivery by Boards of Education of a locally developed GED preparation course for adult students preparing to write the GED tests. Funding for a GED preparation course will be subject to the Adult Funding Policy. The Ministry of Education does not fund students to write the GED tests. The Ministry of Education will only fund the locally developed GED preparation course as one course, not as five courses for each subject area of the GED. The Ministry of Education will not fund school-aged students to enrol in a GED preparation course.</i></p> <p>Graduation Transitions <i>is only be reported once for a student taking a graduation program leading to a BC Certificate of Graduation – Dogwood during their K-12 education and are to be reported when the student is enrolled in grade 12.</i> (Ref: Form 1701 Instructions, P.12)</p> <p>Advanced Placement – <i>Schools may claim an AP course as a separate course..only if it meets the definition of a course, is a separate and distinct instructional session of 80-100+ hours on the student’s timetable, the course is being taught by a certified teacher and is in accordance with the Student Credentials Ministerial Order M162/96.</i> (Ref: Form 1701 Instructions P.12)</p> <p>Support Blocks: <i>Support block are not to be reported...by Distributed Learning schools.</i> (Ref. Form 1701 Instructions P.14)</p> <p>Self-paced courses have an open-ended timeline but encompass one organized set of learning outcomes. While the completion of the course’s learning outcomes may be over a number of registration periods, only one course is undertaken and therefore eligible for only one funding claim. NOTE: There has to be evidence of a qualified teacher’s instructional component to be in compliance with Section 17 of the <i>School Act</i> and BC Reg 265/89, Section 4 (Duties of a Teacher)</p> <p>Independent Directed Studies (IDS): <i>allows schools to recognize prior learning in a Ministry-developed or board authorized course that a student may not have completed...the process is intended to encourage schools (including DL) to allow students to pursue further studies in a course not previously completed. IDS credits</i></p>				

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<p>may only be used to satisfy elective requirements. IDS credits may be awarded by schools to students who have successfully completed independent work based on a subset of outcomes of Grade 10, 11 and 12 Ministry courses or board authorized courses... The number of credits a student earns for an IDS will be set out in the plan developed by that student and a teacher, and approved by a principal. (Ref: Earning Credit through Equivalency, Challenge, External Credentials, Post-Secondary Credit and Independent Directed Studies Policy)</p>				
<p style="text-align: center;">CAREER PROGRAMS (FOR NON GRADUATE STUDENTS ONLY)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOTE: DL Course claims must meet 'active' requirement in addition to career directives</p> <p><i>If the public board of education or authority uses a third party to provide educational services...the board or authority will ensure that the educational services, materials, and resources are part of the educational program supervised by an employee of the Board of Education who is a member of the Ministry of Education Teacher Regulation Branch; and supervision includes creating or approving learning plans and IEPs, coordinating learning activities with service providers, direct academic communication with students, evaluating student work, and assessing student performance.</i> (Ref. DL General Policy)</p>				
<p>Audit Steps: Prior to audit request a list of all students in career programs as well as the name of the district/schools' Career Program Coordinator. It should be that this district staff member will have all the documentation for each funded student claim.</p> <p>Definition: <i>Educational programs focusing on a career or career-related area of study, which combine related courses with a work component...may include any of the following types of programs: Career Preparation, Co-operative Education, Secondary School Apprenticeship, Accelerated Credit Enrolment in Industry Training (ACE-IT), or Career Technical Centre Programs.</i> (Ref. Career Development Policy)</p> <p>NOTE: Schools and Boards of Education may also create career program courses as educational options. Boards must approve all career program courses offered. Reporting career program participation to the Ministry, schools must use Ministry codes identified through the online Course Registry</p> <p>NOTE: See audit steps below if career program is partnered with a post-secondary institution.</p>				
<p>Career Preparation Programs prepare students for entry into the workplace or for further education and training in a specific career pathway that includes coursework and work experience placements.</p> <p>Cooperative Education Programs provide hands-on experience in different careers combining career exploration and skill enhancement with work experience.</p> <p>NOTE: These are Board/Authority Approved courses designed locally and may be associated with WEX12A/12B funding claims (see WEX audit process below). If associated with a post-secondary partner see related audit process below, otherwise audit in accordance with standard course eligibility verification above.</p>				
<p>Secondary School Apprenticeship (SSA) courses <i>provide students with opportunities to begin apprenticeship training while in secondary school</i> (Ref. Form 1701 Instructions, P.11) and meet the requirements as outlined in the Program Guide for Secondary School Apprenticeship http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/pdfs/health_career_education/2012pg_secschapprenticeship.pdf</p> <p>Audit Steps: use the following Ministry directives to verify SSA course claims and the auditor's Career Program checklist for SSA:</p> <p>SSA allows secondary students to earn graduation requirements while transitioning into the work force with a total of 480 hours of work experience (not to be associated with WEX12A/12B). Program consists of SSA11A, SSA11B, SSA12A, and SSA12B – each 4-credit course claims. Requirements in accordance with Program Guide for Secondary School Apprenticeship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must have an in-school orientation • Students must have sponsors recognized by the ITA • Students in SSA programs complete an ITA registration form with the school district coordinator, and ITA recognized sponsor • School district coordinator registers SSA program students as youth apprentices* with the ITA, keeps copies of all forms required for registrations, and retains the TWID number for the duration of the apprenticeship • Educators must, in conjunction with employers/sponsors, establish a training plan for students and sponsors once students are registered with ITA 				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work-based training hours are accrued only after students apply for registration as youth apprentices* with ITA • SSA students must be evaluated by educators with valid teaching certificates who assign final percentages. <p>*SSA youth apprentices must be 19 and under (at time of enrolment – students 20+ are ineligible) and complete their SSA work based training by 3 months past graduation (or 6 months after graduation for SSA scholarship requirements) Ref. ITA website for SSA.</p>				
<p>Work Experience 12A and 12B claims must meet the directives of the Elective Work Experience Courses and Workplace Safety Policy www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/policies/elective_work_experience.htm, MO237/11 Work Experience Order www.bced.gov.bc.ca/legislation/schoollaw/e/m237-11.pdf, and in accordance with the program Guide for Ministry-Authorized Work Experience Courses www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/pdfs/health_career_education/2009pg_minauthworkexper.pdf...when tracking hours related to the work study program segment of WEX12, only one four credit course is claimed regardless of the number of reporting periods the student requires to complete the work placement component.(Ref. Form 1701 Instructions P.12)</p> <p>Definitions: “<i>work experience</i>” means that part of an educational program that provides a student with an opportunity to participate in, observe or learn about the performance of tasks and responsibilities related to an occupation or career. “<i>work study program</i>” means work experience at a standard work site.</p> <p>Audit Steps: use the following Ministry directives to verify WEX course claims and the auditor’s Career Program checklist for WEX</p> <p>Before undertaking work study program portion of WEX course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boards must establish guidelines regarding conduct, supervision, evaluation and participation of students in all school-arranged work placements • Students must have an in-school orientation • There must be a signed Work Experience Agreement Form • Evidence students are at sites where WorkSafeBC coverage is provided <p>During/after work study program portion of WEX course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once student is undertaking school-arranged work placement school personnel must monitor each student in accordance with board guidelines • An educator with valid teaching certificate must evaluate all work experience courses and assign a percentage <p>NOTE: Only one WEX12 course claim is eligible for adults taking Adult Graduation Program</p>				
<p>Accelerated Credit Enrolment in Industry Training-ACE IT (school-age only) is an industry training program for high school students. Through an ACE IT program, students take courses that will provide both high school graduation credits that are equivalent to the first level of apprenticeship technical training. NOTE: All Districts/Board Authorities are required to submit an up-to-date ACE IT Intent to Deliver form for the 2012/13 school year (Ref. ITA website for ACE IT) Audit Step: Obtain a copy of the district’s ACE IT Intent to Deliver Form for the 2012/13 school year and follow audit procedures below for Post-Secondary Transition Programs.</p> <p>ACE IT programs are developed and offered as partnerships between school districts and post-secondary institutions, and classes are often taught at colleges through agreements with school districts. Districts claim for student funding with a funding transfer to the college. Work experience (WEX12A and 12B) placements are usually part of this program, or students could be enrolled in both ACE IT and a Secondary School Apprenticeship program (no WEX12A/12B claim as SSA has its own work experience component - see above). <i>Students must be registered in a technical training program funded by the Industry Training Authority in order to report students in ACE-IT Programs.</i> (Ref: Form 1701 Instructions, P.11)</p>				
<p>Career Technical Centre Programs (school-age only) are an educational program that combines secondary and post-secondary courses and students earn both a secondary graduation and post secondary certificate in a broad range of trades and technology areas. <i>Boards must have a post-secondary partner or be certified by the Industry Training Authority in order to report students in Career Technical Programs</i> (Ref. Form 1701 Instructions, P.11). NOTE: Follow audit procedures below for Post-Secondary Transition Programs and the auditor’s Career Program checklist for PSI.</p>				

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<p>Post-Secondary Transition Programs (ONLY For <u>School-Age Students</u> Who Began Taking These Programs Funded as Courses During Grades 11 and 12) <i>May be reported (for funding) if they are part of the school aged student's planned program leading to graduation and meet the requirements in the Recognition of Post-Secondary Transition Programs for Funding Purposes Policy (Ref. Form 1701 Instructions, P.11)</i></p> <p>Audit Steps: use the following Ministry directives to verify Post-Secondary Transition Program course claims –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post secondary courses lead to a post-secondary credential from a district partnered post secondary institution, which is a member of the BC Transfer System • Courses are part of a school district program that is an educational option for Grade 11 and 12 students • School district pays any tuition costs for post-secondary courses reported for funding • Student's annual plan of courses is signed and current with the program plan courses listed including when and where they will be taking the post-secondary courses 				
<p>THIRD PARTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (Contracting Out)</p>				
<p><i>If the public board of education or authority uses a third party to provide educational services or learning support materials, or resources to Learners, the board or authority will:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>ensure that the educational services, materials and resources are part of the educational program supervised by an employee of the Board of Education who is certified by the Ministry of Education Teacher Regulation Branch; and</i> • <i>Pay the third party directly and not the parent, Learner, or any other person; and</i> • <i>Ensure that through agreements and school information publications, parents and third party service providers clearly understand their roles and responsibilities for student safety and security; and</i> • <i>Clearly describe its responsibility to provide the program outlined in a student's learning [educational] plan or IEP separately from additional services the student may receive from the</i> 	<p>District contracted educational services are associated with the DL school and supervised by the school's teacher.</p> <p>Confirmation that these agreements meet the Ministry directives.</p> <p>Verification that services are provided in accordance with the Distributed Learning - General Policy.</p>	<p>Whether the district has contacted any educational services.</p> <p>Whether these contracted services are in accordance with the <i>School Act</i> and DL General Policy.</p>	<p>Key Documents: As above, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Act Section 86 (a.1) - Agreements • Distributed Learning – General Policy, June 2009 – Reimbursements to Learners and Parents <p>Audit Steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check the information on the website. 2. Determine whether the District has contracted any educational services and assess whether the contract is in accordance with the DL – General Policy and Section 86 of the <i>School Act</i>. Section 86 (a.1) describes the areas that districts can contract out. <p>Note: The onus is on the District to give evidence that their TRB staff member (those legally liable for the general supervision of the program) create or approve educational plans/IEPs, coordinate learning activities with service providers, direct academic communication with students, evaluate student work and assess student performance related to the contracted program.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Interview appropriate staff to determine the School or District policy on financial reimbursement to parents. Obtain a written copy of the policy or document process as relayed by program staff. 4. Determine if the parents have had the policy segment concerning third party service providers communicated to them. Obtain a copy of the 	

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<p><i>service provider.</i> (Ref: DL –General Policy)</p>			<p>communication to parents or document process as relayed by program staff.</p> <p>5. Sample three family files to determine the financial reimbursement process.</p> <p>6. Determine if third party services, materials, resources or supplies are linked to the student's educational program.</p> <p>7. Document any discrepancies on an Observation Sheet and attach supporting documentation.</p>	
SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING				
<p>Supplemental funding claims for Aboriginal Education and English Language Learning-ELL (also includes English as a Second Dialect-ESD)/Apprentissage de la langue anglaise-ALA.</p> <p>ELL/ESD Supplemental Funding: School-age students reported as ELL/ESD on the Form 1701 and who meet all of the requirements as specified on the Form 1701 Instructions may qualify for ELL/ESD funding.</p> <p>Aboriginal Education Supplemental Funding: Funds provided for school-age students to Boards of Education for Aboriginal Education programs are targeted and must be spent on the provision of these programs and services. The delivery and outcomes of aboriginal programs and services must be in accordance with Form 1701 Instructions...</p>	<p>Confirmation that the ELL/ESD program is meeting the criteria specified in the Form 1701 Instructions and the K-12 Regular Enrolment audit program.</p> <p>Confirmation that the Aboriginal Education Program is meeting the criteria specified in the Form 1701 Instructions and the K-12 Regular Enrolment audit program.</p>	<p>Whether students who are being claimed for ELL/ESD or Aboriginal Education supplemental funding meet all the criteria specified in the Form 1701 Instructions as outlined in the K-12 Regular Enrolment audit program.</p>	<p>Key Documents: As above, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-12 Funding – Aboriginal Education Policy • K-12 Funding – English Language Learning Policy • 2012/13 K-12 Regular Enrolment Audit Program • Distributed Learning-Requirements and Guidelines for Students with Special Needs Policy <p>Audit Steps: For ELL/ESD and Aboriginal Education services - Review student files to verify there is evidence that the appropriate services are being provided by the DL School in accordance with Ministry requirements. (Use K-12 Regular Enrolment Audit Program for direction).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Follow the audit steps in the K-12 audit program's sections specific to Aboriginal Education and ELL/ESD. 2. Document discrepancies on an Observation Sheet and attach supporting documentation. <p>Special Needs Student Claims (compliance is in accordance with Distributed Learning-Requirements and Guidelines for Students with Special Needs Policy www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/policies/spneed_distance_e_d.htm) – For students reported with special needs classification confirm that a current IEP is in place.</p>	