

Monthly Newsletter



Top takeaways from recent Federal updates:

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- **FY 2023 Official National Student Loan Cohort Default Rate Briefing:** With COVID flexibilities lifted and official FY2023 CDR rates released, schools should utilize FSA's new training module to update their default management plans before draft FY2024 rates arrive.
- **Guidance on FVT/GE Data Reporting: STATS Early Implementation and Next Steps:** Unreported 2024 and 2025 FVT/GE reporting cycles are now considered delinquent. Institutions have until Friday, January 15, 2027, to submit all missing data.
- **Save the Date – 2026 Virtual FSA Training Conference:** Save the date for the annual FSA Training Conference, taking place December 14–16, 2026, in Maryland for key regulatory training and federal updates.
- **2027–28 FAFSA Specifications Guide:** The 2027–2028 FAFSA is now open for processing, supported by the latest specifications guide to help institutions ensure accurate system setup and integration.
- **(ANN-26-20) Online Training Course – New Learning Tracks on OBBBA Implementation:** FSA released new self-paced learning tracks in the FSA Training Center covering upcoming One Big Beautiful Bill Act changes.
- **(GENERAL-26-58) Federal Perkins Loan Servicer Change – School Transition Information:** Guidance details institutional impacts of the Federal Perkins Loan servicer transition, including key assignment cut-off dates and transfer procedures.
- **(GEN-26-08) Guidance for Educational Institutions on Swatting Threats:** Federal guidance addresses growing concerns regarding swatting threats in educational environments, providing institutions with practical campus safety protocols.

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