



# Harrisburg Project

## Software Support for Special Education

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## I-Star Training

We still have seats available for our classroom trainings October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. In addition we have opened up some more seats in the online trainings October 19<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Remember, in order to transition from *iePoint* > to I-Star, a training is required. Any location that has an *iePoint* > database currently and plans to continue managing their own data for the 2016-2017 school year is required to attend a training (webinar or in-person).

Please visit [Event Registration](#) to sign up for a training. **Notice that the notes have been added for the sessions. Please print these before the training and bring them with you.** These trainings are open to anyone, regardless of the location. For more information on I-Star, visit <http://www.hbug.k12.il.us/IStar/default.aspx>.

## 2016-2017 School Year IWAS Authorization

At this time, District Superintendents do **NOT** need to provide IWAS Authorization for the electronic transmission of data for the 2016-2017 school year. I-Star will eliminate this need since the special education data will be housed at ISBE rather than at each district/cooperative. Any errors in *iePoint* > regarding IWAS Authorization can be ignored. These errors **will not** transfer to I-Star.

## Preparing for I-Star Transition

It is imperative that all *End Dates* and *Exit Codes* are entered into *iePoint* > **2016 DATA2016** prior to your transition to I-Star. Now is the time to double check your data and be sure all students who graduated or moved out of district at the end of school year 2015-2016 have been exited with the correct *End Date* and *Exit Code*.

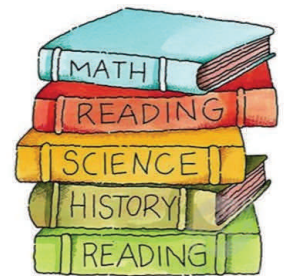
### Dates to Remember

September 5, 2016 - Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day

October 10, 2016 - Office Closed in Observance of Columbus Day

November 8, 2016 - Office Closed due to Election Day

November 11, 2016 - Office Closed in Observance of Veterans Day



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## Did You Know?

Did you know that data transmissions will no longer be necessary? All districts will transition to I-Star for the 2016-2017 school year. I-Star is a web-based product; therefore the data is always up to date at ISBE. The first data collection for the 2016-2017 school year will be done on December 1<sup>st</sup> to collect the December 1 Child Count, meaning that all student data must be up-to-date and error free in I-Star prior to December 1<sup>st</sup>. During the “data collection” process, districts will not have access to I-Star.

## Private Facility Search Updated

The *Private Facility Search* on our website has been updated to reflect the approved *Private Facility* locations for the 2016-2017 school year. To access the *Private Facility Search* simply click the link below:

[Private Facility Search](#)

If you need to review a *Private Facility* for a previous school year simply choose a different school year in the “School Year” drop down.

## 2016-2017 School Calendars Available

Official school calendars for 2016-2017 are now available and can be received into *iePoint* > by doing the following: *File -> System Maintenance -> Refresh Calendars*. To view the official school calendars on the ISBE website, click the link below:

[2016-2017 Official School Calendars](#)

### Important Notice:

Please do not include any student or personnel information in e-mail and voicemail communications with Harrisburg Project. We also ask that clients refrain from sending any e-mail attachments containing sensitive information.