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Subject: RE: Students in Charter School Wait List
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Hi Sayee,

We're always willing to help.

Charter schools can handle "wait listing" a number of different ways, from a simple spreadsheet in Google Docs or Office 365 to something more sophisticated on some third-party website. PowerSchool even offers a separate online registration service that some districts/charters can pay extra for to do things like this.

In the context of our own PowerSchool software, there is nothing specific for doing this but it can be done by entering students into PowerSchool (demographic and contact data) and associating them with a new group defined for this purpose. It's up to the school to decide how to order rank the list which they can do by adding extra fields on the student record. Although the students are entered in PowerSchool they are technically not yet registered or enrolled. If a student is selected then they are transferred into the school for the next school year. Because there is nothing formal for wait-listing students you can imagine there is also no known (descriptor) codes.

Again, there are many ways for a charter school to implement a wait list. While PowerSchool does not have a formal workflow for this it is easy to invent a workflow with the available functionality.

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Doug/Jim,

Good afternoon. Hope you are well. I need to know if your SISs are capturing students' wait list status in a charter school.

I am hearing a request from TEA about capturing Charter School wait list information (Boolean flag Y/N or T/F) at the student level.

Use case definition -
John Smith wait listed in Grand Bend Charter Middle School
Sayee Srinivasan wait listed in Grand Bend Charter Middle School
The above students may not have enrollment records. Some students may be enrolled in a public or home schooled and some students may not be enrolled at all. As you know, the Ed-Fi authorization works around the student enrollment record being existing, so Ed-

Fi will be providing guidance on how to do custom auth for these records.

The data elements needed (please note this is not a full list)

Student Unique Id,
Student First Name,
Student Last Name
Sex,
Grade Level
Charter wait list code

With this said, I have couple of questions to understand how SISs are handling this situation:

1. These students do not belong to the strong student concept instead a person waiting in line to be admitted to the school kind of like an Applicant in my head. So in your SISs, are they actual students or applicants?
2. How do you integrate with the unique id system at the state level for these students?
3. The student concept here could be similar to students who are pre-enrolled not actually enrolled. I could be wrong on that. I know some students need to have the pre enrolled students in the Ed-Fi ODS. I wanted to know how you implemented that on your end.

I am so sorry to ask you these questions during the middle of your high priority work. Thank you for doing this.

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