

Capturing Noncredit Attendance Hours (SX05) Updates and What to know

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Q&A

Q: Is Clock Time equivalent to Carnegie Hours?

A: *No, it's the closest to positive attendance as possible.*

Q: Through TOPSPro reporting (CAEP / WIOA/NRS) do K-12 Adult schools meet the reporting requirements?

A: *Yes, K-12 schools are required to do data reporting through TOPSPro.*

Q: For SX05, do we report actual hours or hours stated in the COR?

A: *Both actual hours and hours stated in the Course Outline of Record (COR) should be reported. Each institution determines the methodology used to capture and report these hours.*

Q: What are the validation checks?

A: *Validation checks involve reviewing reported hours to ensure they are accurate and appropriate. This includes confirming whether the hours reported exceed Course Outline of Record (COR) hours. Key staff involved in this process include IR and IT personnel.*

Q: If we're using the teacher verification model by assigning hours to each module, do we need to add hours to each content section of COR?

A: *No. As part of the curriculum process, you are not required to assign specific hours to each content area of objective within the Course Outline of Record (COR).*

Q: Does COCI list course hours?

A: *Yes. Course hours are listed in COCI, which is public facing and accessible by logging in to the system.*

Q: What is the importance of capturing these hours?

A: *Capturing these hours is critical to addressing underreporting and ensuring accurate data in DataVista. This information supports legislative reporting and helps track key outcome data. This data will also be essential for informing potential funding opportunities. It is important to populate this data, as gaps in the data still exist. Interim guidance and technical assistance are intended to help programs leverage and learn from this process.*