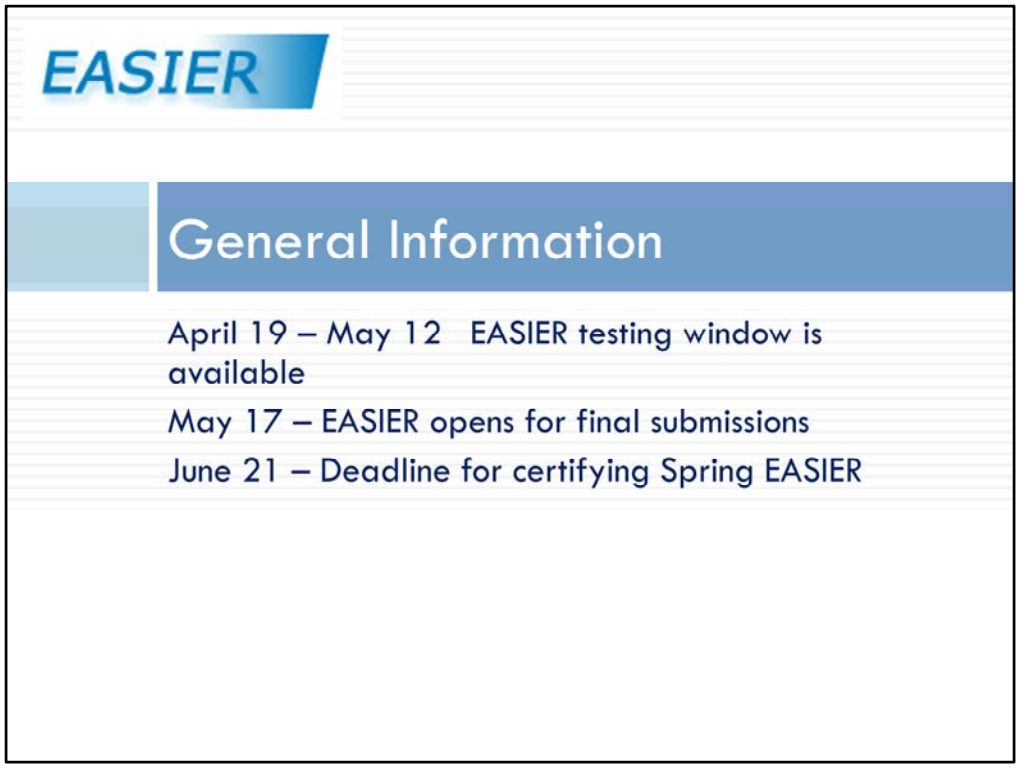
EASIER

Spring 2010

At Risk

Welcome to the Spring 2010 Web Training Session on the At-Risk Indicator.



The EASIER site will open for test files beginning April 19th. The test site will close on May 12th. At this point in time, all files will be deleted. The official EAISER spring collection will be from May 17th –June 21st. Test files may still be submitted at this time. Remember the official file may not be extracted until after the last day of school. This year it is vital that all districts adhere to the timeline. EASIER data will be populating the Foster Care Claim form and this cannot be completed until all districts have certified Spring EASIER.

At-Risk

- Was the student considered to be at-risk at any time during the year?
  - '1' Yes and in a program funded by allowable growth
  - '2' Yes but not in a program funded by allowable growth
  - '0' No
- Page 40 in Data Dictionary

At-Risk indicator…Was the student considered to be at risk at any time during the year? The process of identifying students as at-risk is locally defined. On the EASIER website is a document *At-Risk Handout* which may be downloaded. Also, on page 40 of the Data Dictionary there is a definition/description for at risk and options as to how students may be marked: '1' Yes and in a program funded by allowable growth, '2' Yes but not in a program funded by allowable growth, or '0' No. The main difference between '1' and '2' is the funding source and criteria for identifying students.

At-Risk '1'

- Students served in a dropout prevention program funded through Modified Allowable Growth money
- Students identified as **potential** or **returning dropouts.**
  - Page 40 in Data Dictionary for guidance on potential dropouts.

At risk '1': These are the students you entered into your 2010-2011 Modified Allowable Growth Application for Dropout Prevention and are being served in a dropout prevention program funded by this money.
They are the students who are identified as a potential or returning dropouts. For guidelines on who is a potential dropout, please look at page 40 in the Data Dictionary or the *At-Risk Handout* document.

At-Risk '1'

If your district listed students on this form, you must have students marked with At-Risk '1' in order to certify Spring EASIER.

Iowa Department of Education
Bureau of Student and Family Support Services

2010-2011 Modified Allowable Growth Application for Dropout Prevention

Dropout and Potential Dropouts

District Application and Initial Certification Due December 15, 2009
State Approval Due January 15, 2010
State Certification Completed after SBRC Approval

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Identification of Students

ITEM	Description	Count	Percent
1.	Number of Certified Enrollment for October 2009 **Certified Enrollment for 2009-2010, for which the data is used in the Oct. 2009 Summary, was found and certified on 10/23/2009 3:27:02 PM.**	654.0	
2.	Number of returning dropouts included in Certified Enrollment count (being served in existing alternatives)	3.0	0.46%
3.	Number of returning dropouts excluded in Certified Enrollment count (to be served in proposed program)	0.0	0.00%
4.	Number of potential dropouts (K-12 only)	164.0	25.08%
5.	Total Number of returning dropouts and potential dropouts	167.0	25.54%

NOTE: All percentages will automatically be calculated using the Certified Enrollment figure identified above when the Update button is pressed.
The maximum modified allowable growth for the district will be calculated using a 5 percent limitation identified in 257.38

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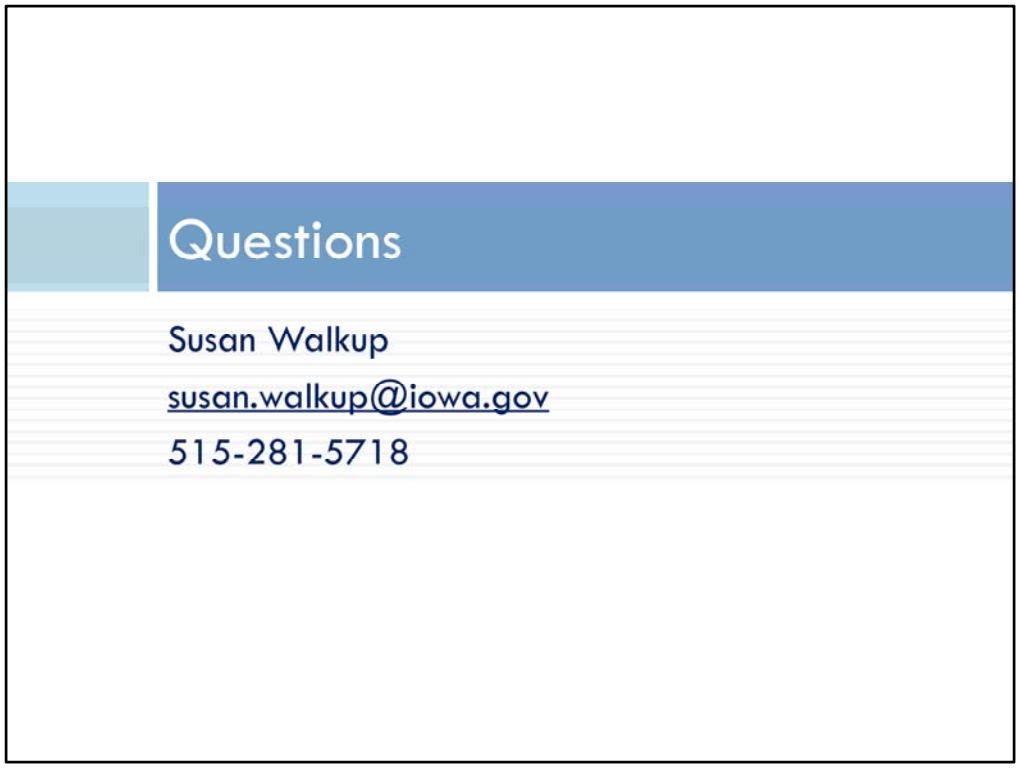
If your district requested funds through the 2010-2011 Modified Allowable Growth Application for Dropout Prevention your district must have students marked with the at-risk ='1' indicator before your district is allowed to certify Spring EASIER.

At-Risk '2'

- Students receiving services or supports where funding is based on the district's free and reduced count.
- Students who meet the broader definition of at-risk
  - Not succeeding academically
  - Not meeting personal/social goals
  - Not meeting career/vocational goals
- May be students who qualify for other services such as Title 1, ELL, etc.

At risk '2': These are students who are identified as at risk and are receiving services or supports but they are not funded through Modified Allowable Growth. Funds for these services or supports are based on the district's free and reduced count. These may be students who meet the broader definition of at risk (not succeeding academically, or not meeting the established personal/social and/or career/vocational goals). These could also be the students who qualify for other services such as Title 1, ELL, etc.



If you have questions on the at-risk indicator or the Modified Allowable Growth Application for Dropout Prevention, please contact Susan Walkup at susan.walkup@iowa.gov or 515-281-5718.