

EAGLE SOFTWARE NEWSLETTER

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Holiday Greetings!

For future reference, Eagle Software will be closed in observance of the following Holidays:

- 2012 Winter Holidays



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Dec. 17–21	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
Dec. 24–28	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Dec. 31 - Jan. 4, 2013	Closed	Closed	Open	Open	Open

Our office will resume normal business hours from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 2, 2013.

2013 Upcoming Holidays:

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday – Monday, January 21, 2013
- President's Day – Monday, February 18, 2013
- Memorial Day – Monday, May 27, 2013
- Independence Day – Thursday, July 4, 2013

Regional Workshops

The Regional Workshop schedule is posted on our website at: [Regional Workshops](#). We are offering a new workshop in January – Aeries Analytics Testing Administration and Dashboard Creation. The Student Scheduling workshops are offered in January and February.

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Spring 2013 Users' Conference

The Spring 2013 Users' Conference will be held March 11 & 12, 2013 at the Ontario Convention Center in Ontario, CA. Conference registration materials have been mailed. Information is also available on our website at [Conferences](#).

“Going Green” – The conference registration includes a check-box that allows you to opt out of receiving a printed copy of the conference documentation. You will be able to access and download the documentation online at the conference.

Reminder to the attendees of our October 2012 Users Conference: You can still access the conference documentation via the Fall Conference Portal. The login to the Portal uses the User Name and Password from the locator card you received at the conference.

A Preview of What's New At Aeries.com!!

Eagle Software is pleased to announce the upcoming launch of our new and improved website, which offers quick and easy access to essential information about Aeries products. The website boasts easier access to support assistance, feature updates, online demo's as well as our newly added blogs! Product updates, documents and training videos are readily accessible for our users. Feel free to share our site and blogs via your favorite social media. We hope that you will enjoy discovering the new website and that you will find it easy to navigate and pleasant to use when it is launched in early 2013.

The screenshot shows the Aeries.com website homepage with a blue sky and clouds background. At the top, the Aeries SIS logo is on the left, and navigation links for 'Contact Us', 'Online Help', 'Login / Register', 'SITE', and 'SUPPORT DOCUMENTS' are on the right. A horizontal menu below the logo includes: HOME, ABOUT OUR COMPANY, CALIFORNIA EXPERTISE, PRODUCTS, TESTIMONIALS & VIDEOS, BLOG, and TRAINING & SUPPORT.

The main content area features several promotional banners:

- Aeries Online Demo:** A banner with a laptop displaying the software interface. Text includes: "Welcome to the Aeries Demo Site. Please select an Aeries product below:" followed by buttons for Aeries NET, Aeries PORTALS, Aeries K-12, and Aeries AR. A red "TRY NOW" button is prominent. Below the laptop, it says "AERIES ONLINE DEMO" and "Take the software for a spin to see all its impressively helpful features and how easy it is to use."
- Surveys Show That A Teacher Spends:** A vertical banner with a calendar icon showing "APPROX. 19 12". Text reads: "SURVEYS SHOW THAT A TEACHER SPENDS APPROX. 19 12 EACH YEAR TO SCORE, & ORGANIZE, ANALYZE & ENTER TEST DATA INTO STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS." Below it, it says "Let us help bring down those numbers. Save time and stress with Aeries SIS." and a yellow "LEARN MORE" button.
- What Customers Are Saying:** A testimonial section with a quote: "It is the best thing we ever did. It's owning our own data. When we made the leap to Aeries we knew we made the right choice. Everything about Aeries is functional. It just keeps getting better. It grows and grows and grows and gets better and better and better." attributed to "M. Coy".
- The California SIS Experts:** A section with a "CALIFORNIA" street sign graphic. Text: "THE CALIFORNIA SIS EXPERTS. For nearly 20 years, Eagle Software has successfully implemented Aeries SIS in over 530 California public school districts and education agencies. Aeries is California's most popular SIS software and is constantly enhanced to stay ahead of the game to meet the needs of California K-12 education." Includes a "READ MORE" button.
- Need Help?:** A section with a photo of a customer support representative wearing a headset. Text: "NEED HELP? Contact us or access instant online resources." Includes a blue "GET SUPPORT" button.
- We Are At Your Service:** A section with a photo of a modern building. Text: "WE ARE AT YOUR SERVICE. Are you satisfied with your current SIS provider's level of service?"
- Aeries Analytics:** A banner at the bottom left with the Aeries ANALYTICS logo.

Student and Parent Dashboard

The November 16, 2012 release of Aeries.net contained a major new feature: a new Dashboard for the Student/Parent Portal. This new dashboard gives parents and students quick access to important information like today's homework and events, current class grades and missing assignments, recent attendance, online educational resources, and a listing of the student's most recent state test scores. Also available is information about which other students the current account has access to and which other people have access to the current student.

This new dashboard layout should help get more information into the hands of students and parents by making this critical information more readily available. The idea behind this dashboard was to provide better information quickly so that parents and students do not have to "go fishing" for information.

Additional features are planned for the new Dashboard:

- Changing Account Types when a student or parent registers with the wrong account type
- Re-Registration Status for all linked students
- Online File Upload and Storage (Student Digital Backpack)

The following is an example of the new Dashboard.

2012-2013 Screaming Eagle High School

Home Student Info Attendance Grades Medical Guidance Test Scores Programs Change Student Options Logout

Welcome to the Parent Portal for Allan Abbott

Calendar
11/16/2012

Add New Event Display: Day

Pd 3- Due: #48 3.3 Pg. 160 49,60,61,74,75,77,78 Pg. 943 21-25 3.4 Pg. 166 4, 5

Gradebook Summary

Name	Per Teacher %	Current Mark	Trend	Missing Assign	Week's Att	Last Updated
English 12 CP	0 Peer	72 C-	↑	10	U-I--	Aug 15
Civics Cp	1 Hauser	67 D+	↑	2	I-I--	Aug 15
Weight Trng	2 Sanders	80 B-	↓	0	--I--	Aug 15
Algebraic Apps	3 Sneed	71 C-	↓	0	--I--	Aug 15

Most Recent Test Results

Test	Taken	Result
CAHSEE		
Math	10/2012	Not Passed
English Language Arts	03/2011	Passed
CSI		
Eng/Lang Arts Total	05/2011	Below Basic
Life Science	05/2011	Far Below Basic
CELDT		
CA Eng.Lang.Dev. Test	10/2011	Early Advanced
List & Speaking	10/2011	N/A
Reading	10/2011	Intermediate
Writing	10/2011	Early Advanced
Listening	10/2011	Intermediate
Speaking	10/2011	Advanced
Comprehension	10/2011	N/A
CELDT Criterion	10/2011	N/A

Resources

Site	Description
Aeries SIS	The most amazing SIS on the planet.

Students You Have Access To

Student	Grade	School
Robert Romero Aadasian	6	Golden Eagle Elem
Allan Abbott	12	Screaming Eagle HS
Alice Abdelnour	9	Screaming Eagle HS
Alice Abdo	9	Screaming Eagle HS

Accounts Associated With This Student

Email	Type	Last Accessed
parent@aries.com	P	11/15/2012 12:00:33 PM

Currently Accessing From: 1:1
Previously Accessed From: 1:1 on 11/16/2012 2:39:25 PM

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New Student Profile Page

Eagle Software has just released a new Aeries.net page – the Student Profile. This page brings together information about the student. Included on the Student Profile is the attendance summary, grade book summary including trend forecasting, the most recent state test scores, and summary information for student related areas. These areas will show the most recently entered record and the count of records for each area including counselor visits, discipline incidents, interventions, and medical history. Also included are all the programs a student is currently participating in. Each area has links to the detailed content behind the summary information. For high school students, their page will also include their credit history, which shows their total credits earned grouped by subject area.

This page is the place where everyone involved in the student’s education can look to get the big picture for a student. This allows for a quick way to see potential trouble areas as well as discovering areas of success and improvement. We will continue to expand the content on this page as we receive feedback from our customers. Future development will include adding a line graph to the grade book summary that shows the scores for each assignment, and a GPA summary graph.

Aeries.NET
2012-2013 Screaming Eagle High School
My Options

NAVIGATION

- Student Flags
- Home
- My Favorites (0)
- Student Data
 - Profile
 - Demographics
 - Supplemental
 - Contacts
 - Attendance
 - Attendance Enrollment
 - Enrollment History
 - Grades
 - Guidance
 - Test Scores
 - Medical
 - Scheduling
 - Programs
 - Other
 - Reports
 - Attendance Accounts
 - Grade Reporting
 - Supplemental Attend

Student Profile

StuNum	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Perm ID Num	Sex	Grd	Age	Birthdate	Prog	Track	Status	Hmlng	LangFlu
1	Abbott	Allan (AJ)	James	99400001	M	12	18	11/11/1994			Active	Spanish	English Learner

Ethnicity	Race	User1	User2	User3	User4	Band	GATE	User7	User8	User9	User10	User11	User12	User13
N	White				N		G	C						

Parent/Guardian	Home Phone	Father Work - Contac	Primary Contact 2:	Parent Email	Residence
M/M A Abbott	(777) 555-9448	(777) 555-7537		Parent.Abbott@example.com	1118 Glenview Lane Eagle Rock, CA 99999-1234

Red Flags

Area	Comment
Counseling	CNF - CAHSEE problems. Stated test "Scares him."
Contacts	CON - NO STUDENT CONTACT BY ALICE ABBOTT
Interventions	INV - Has Not passed either portion of CAHSEE
Medical History	MHS - Inhaler in Admin Office

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					M	T	W	T	F	
English 12 CP	0	Peer 72	C-	↑ 10	0	0	0	-	-	Aug 15
Civics Cp	1	Hauser 67	D+	↓ 2	0	0	0	-	-	Aug 15
Weight Trng	2	Sanders 80	B-	↓ 0	0	0	0	-	-	Aug 15
Algebraic Apps	3	Sneed 71	C-	↑ 0	0	0	0	-	-	Aug 15

Show credit details on screen

Attendance Summary

Code	Description	All	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
A	UNVERIFIED	6	1	1	2							
I	ILLNESS	5	5	6	7	8						
O	OTHER	4	4	4	5	4						
T	TARDY	0	13	6	2	1						
U	UNEXCUSED	6	24	14	10	10	1					
*_TOTALS*_												
	EXCUSED	9	9	10	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
	UNEXCUSED	12	25	15	12	10	1	0	0	0	0	0

Data Snapshot

Area	Rcd Count	Recent Date	Most Recent Info
Assertive Discipline	11	02/28/2013	Behavior, Disruptive
Counseling	3	09/11/2012	Personal Counseling
Interventions	6	11/12/2012	High School Exit Exam Math
Medical History	1	10/07/2004	Asthma - severe
Medical Log	3	09/11/2012	Asthma
Visitation	1	10/04/2010	

Graduation Status

Subject Area	Credit Required	Credit Completed	Credit Enrolled In	Credit Needed
English	40.00	40.00	0.00	0.00
Physical Education	30.00	30.00	0.00	0.00
Social Science	30.00	30.00	0.00	0.00
Mathematics	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00
Fine Arts	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00
Practical Arts	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00
Science/Life	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00
Science/Physical	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00
Health & Career Ed	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00
Computer Science	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Electives	55.00	92.50	0.00	0.00
* TOTALS *	220.00	257.50	0.00	0.00


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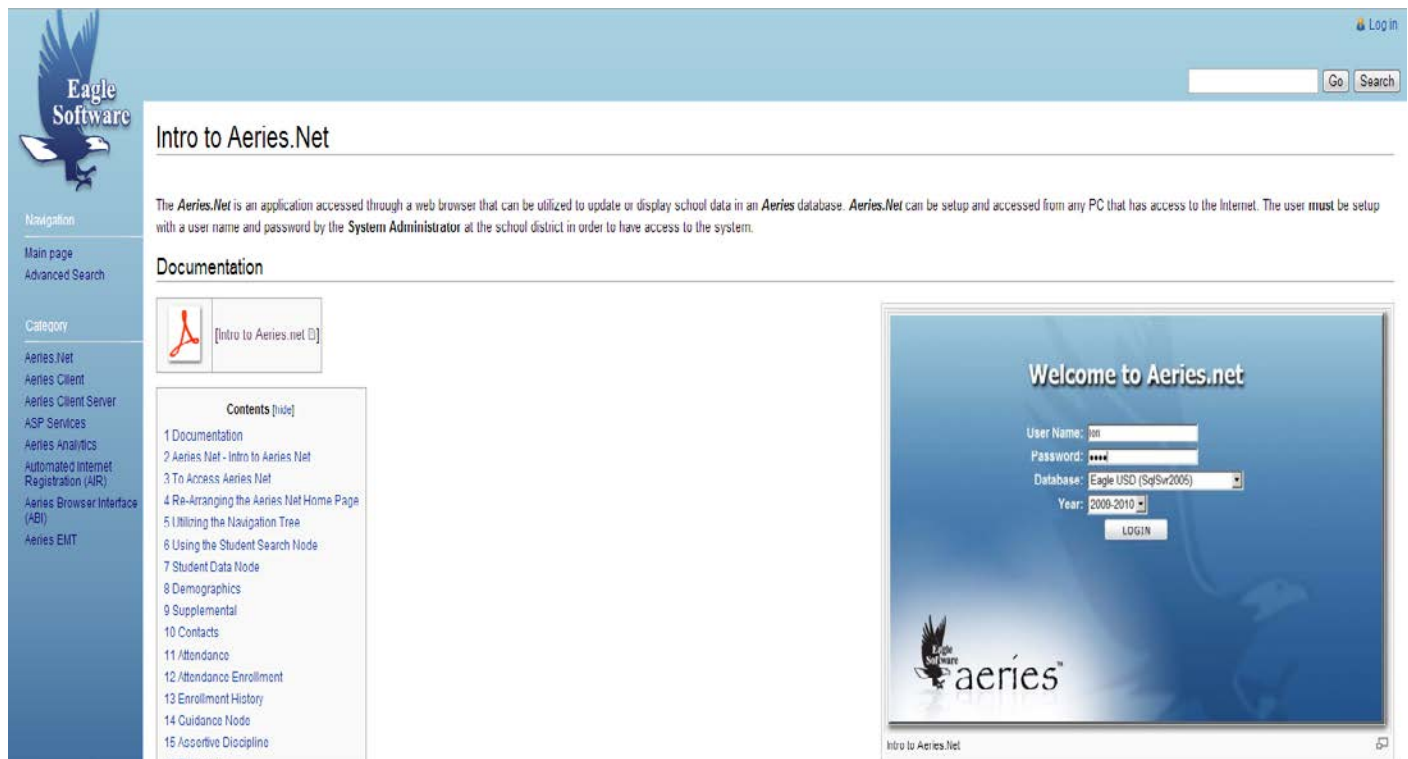
Current Programs

Program	Entered
GATE	03/15/1998
Language Assessment	09/05/2007
NCLB Title I Part A Basic Targeted	09/07/2012
Special Ed	11/22/2005

Aeries Online Help

Eagle Software is proud to announce that the Aeries Online Help is undergoing continued improvements while being tied in directly with the Aeries products. Aeries.net now contains a direct link to the Online Help by clicking on the “help” icon  in the upper-right corner of the screen. The Aeries client links to the Online Help by pressing F1 on any page within the client. Both systems are in continual refinement to be as context specific as possible, so they will take you to the page with the most pertinent information available for your location within Aeries. The Online Help includes the downloadable documents from the Documents and Downloads section within the website and is also searchable, so you can always search for anything that you do not find when directly linked to the site.

The following is an example of Aeries Online Help.



The screenshot displays the Aeries Online Help interface. At the top left is the Eagle Software logo. The main header reads "Intro to Aeries.Net". Below the header, a paragraph explains that Aeries.Net is a web-based application for updating or displaying school data. A "Documentation" section is visible, containing a list of topics such as "1 Documentation", "2 Aeries.Net - Intro to Aeries.Net", and "3 To Access Aeries.Net". On the right side, there is a "Welcome to Aeries.net" login form with fields for "User Name", "Password", "Database" (set to Eagle USD), and "Year" (set to 2009-2010), along with a "LOGIN" button. A search bar is located in the top right corner.

Aeries ANALYTICS

Aeries Analytics Continues to Move Forward

More than 70 districts are currently using, evaluating, and implementing Aeries Analytics – the new Testing and Assessment System from Eagle Software. These districts are pioneers in our industry by taking the leap into using the first Comprehensive Testing and Assessment System designed from scratch to fully integrate with a Fully Featured Student Information System. For these districts, gone are the days of “Rostering” extracts and waiting weeks to be able to assess new students.

Although much progress has been done to grow Aeries Analytics into the product it is today, more is still to come. With the Aeries.net Teacher Portal now released to the public with great new features, more



development attention can be focused on expanding the reporting capabilities of Aeries Analytics. Currently in development are various analysis reports by teacher, grade, and school including a new Multiple Measures Reporting Tool!

Working together with 3rd party Assessment Providers like Intel-Assess has grown our Common Core Readiness.

For more information or to schedule an Analytics demonstration, email sales@aeries.com or visit www.aeries.com/Analytics. A fully featured demo is available at demo.aeries.net. From there you can log in as an Admin in .Net or as a Teacher via the Portal login.

Aeries PORTALS

At the beginning of this school year, Eagle Software rolled out a brand new Teacher Portal and Gradebook fully integrated into the Aeries.net environment. This new platform will provide enhanced reporting capabilities for teachers and parents as well as access to a wider variety of reports.

While much development has been done since the beginning of this school year, more development of the new Aeries.net Teacher Portal is planned to replicate all the features developed in ABI over the last 13 years. For a full list of new Portals features and those in ABI that will be converted to the Aeries.net Teacher Portal see the following document:

[Aeries.Net Teacher Portal Features in Progress.](#)

ABI Continues to Be Supported

It has always been Eagle Software’s policy to support our legacy products. There are NO plans to drop support for ABI. Over time, districts are encouraged to adopt the Aeries.net Teacher and Parent Portals as the functionality expands to meet their specific needs.

It is possible to migrate just a few teachers at a time to the Aeries.net Teacher Portal. If you are interested in migrating to the Aeries.net Teacher Portal, detailed steps are located in the following document:

[ABI to the New Teacher Portal Migration.](#)

You can also preview the Aeries.net Teacher Portal on our demonstration website: demo.aeries.net.

CALPADS Reminder

Aeries continues to support districts with the CALPADS process. The following enhancements will be implemented in Aeries in the near future:

- Changes to the Assertive Discipline form – The Assertive Discipline form will be redesigned to allow entry for multiple Dispositions and related fields. This will allow one Assertive Discipline record to show the progression of an incident which resulted in multiple dispositions.
- CALPADS Assessments Student Results Extract – a new process will be added to import student tests results for students new to your district. For more information about this feature, refer to the following CALPADS link: [CALPADS Assessments Student Results Extract](#)

To prepare for the CALPADS End of Year Submissions, please refer to the documents posted on our website under the CALPADS category. The [CALPADS in Aeries.pdf](#) document details the Assertive Discipline form and lists the fields required for data population.

We suggest that districts join the [Aeries_Talk_Listserv](#). The Aeries_Talk_Listserv is not run by Eagle Software. It is moderated by Aeries users and should not be viewed as a mechanism for contacting Eagle Software for Aeries Support.

Eagle Software is offering CALPADS Regional Workshops beginning in Spring for EOY. Please check our website for a schedule of these workshops at [CALPADS Regional Workshops](#).

To Sync or Not to Sync

Worried about matching changes for your pre-enrolled students? Aeries will do it for you!

Aeries has a new procedure in place to synchronize changes to student data throughout your district. Whenever data is changed for a student in your school, those changes are automatically pushed to the pre-enrolled copy of that student at another school! This includes fields in the Students (STU), Supplemental (SUP), and Secondary Student Data (SSD) tables, and each field can be selected to sync or not to sync (that is the question).

This procedure was developed so that the **“Update Student Data” process is no longer needed!** As long as all allowable tables are set to be ID-based, the essential fields are set to sync, and all matriculating students are pre-enrolled. The process also includes a method with which to lock fields in a pre-enrolled copy of a student. This will keep users at the

pre-enrolled school from changing key information such as address or phone numbers. As with the sync process, these fields can be selected to be locked or not. The configuration is completely up to the district to decide. It is run from AdminCS and the form is called “Define Fields to Sync/Lock”. If you really want, you can deselect ALL of the fields, and Aeries will let you do all the work just like the old times...

A new document has been posted on the website that details the Student Synchronization process in Aeries: [Student_Sync.pdf](#). This document will provide information on Student Synchronization. Changes to Student data (STU), Supplemental (SUP) and Secondary Student Data (SSD) will be automatically synchronized between active records. There are various settings available through the Define Fields to Sync/Lock in AdminCS and LOC Rules set in the Schools form in the District database.



Aeries Automated Internet Registration (AIR) – New Features

AIR has recently been enhanced to include the following new features:

- Ability to locate students using District Student Locator prior to importing AIR registered students into Aeries SIS. If a previous record is found, integration of the parent changes and additions will be updated and supuplicate records avoided.
- Existing immunization records entered via AIR will clear and replace existing data on a previous record based upon data entered by the parent
- The school Registrar is emailed upon the successful parent completion of the registration process
- Sort ability on each field heading while importing students, using the AIR form in Aeries SIS
- AIR forms have been enhanced to fit 1024x768 resolution monitors.

Aeries New Features Highlights

Please remember to check the [Major Revision Notes](#) and [Detailed Revision Notes](#) for updated information.

- **STAR Pre-ID:**

The STAR Pre-Identification Process has been updated according to the new 2012-13 layout. There have been changes for data requirements for the PRE-ID that will be loaded into the STAR file. Please check over your data in the PRE table carefully. New enhancements have also been made to the STAR Pre-id form. Please refer to the following for more information: [STAR Pre-ID File 2012-2013](#)

- **Students & Student Enrollment Form:**

The address fields have been rearranged so that the Residence Address is now collected before Mailing Address. A "Same" checkbox has been added that will automatically populate the Mailing Address with the Residence Address entered. When the August 15, 2012 version was loaded if there was no data in the Residence Address field it was automatically populated with the corresponding Mailing Address.

- **Emergency Contacts:**

We have added the ability to tag Contact records to display on the Students form where Fathers Work and Mothers Work display via a new "Link" button. Note – this option is only available if the new LOC Rule is enabled. There is a macro "Update Contact Links Based On Student Father/Mother Work Phones" that can be run to auto-populate links with existing data.

- **Standards Based Grades New Report Card Type (RC) Designation:**

Standards Based Grade Reporting has a new Report Card Type (RC) field that will allow users to create multiple report cards per grade level and assign students to certain report card types. There are many additional Standards Based Grade Reporting changes in the August 3, 2012 Update. Please refer to the document at [Standard Based Grades](#) for more information.