

# AIM September Bulletin 2021

## AIM Data Collections

The [AIM Data Collection Schedule](#) contains a complete list of all AIM data collections occurring throughout the year. The following AIM Data Collections are taking place during the month of September:

### Beginning of Year Verification: Opens 8/11/21 Closes 10/8/21

- The Beginning of Year Verification process ensures calendars have been established for the new school year and that students are enrolled properly. Please see the [AIM Beginning of Year Verification User Guide](#), the [AIM Enrollment Exceptions User Guide](#), and the [NEW AIM Extracurricular Activities User Guide](#) for detailed guidance, along with our AIM Beginning of Year Verification [webinar](#).
- Please also see the [NEW](#) state published ad hoc report 'ALLEN Extracurricular Activities Only'

### Fall Assessment Verification, EL Assessment: Opens 8/11/21 Closes 10/15/21

- This collection ensures all active EL students have an active EL flag created as well as ensures that all EL and Section 504 students have necessary supports and accommodation test settings entered and verified. Please see the [AIM Assessment Registration Collection User Guide](#) and the [NEW AIM State Assessment Test Settings User Guide](#), along with our AIM Assessment Registration [webinar](#).

### Fall Assessment Verification, Alternate Assessment: Opens 8/11/21 Closes 11/30/21

- This collection ensures test settings, including alternate designation statuses, are set for meaningful participation in statewide assessments. Please see the [AIM Assessment Registration Collection User Guide](#) and the [NEW AIM State Assessment Test Settings User Guide](#), along with our AIM Assessment Registration [webinar](#).

### Previous Year Graduates, Cohorts, & Dropouts Validation and Certification: Opens 9/15/21 Closes 10/8/21

- This process ensures review of previous school year (2020-21) data validation dropout data. Dropouts who have returned to a district in the state by 9/30/21 can be adjusted to have a non-dropout end status.
- Ensures review of previous year graduates and cohorts using the data validation reports. After 9/30/21 when previous year dropouts have been reviewed and adjusted if needed, certify previous year dropouts using the data certification process. After previous year graduates and

cohorts have been reviewed and adjusted if needed, certify previous year graduates and cohorts using the data certification process.

- Please see the [AIM Setup for Dropout, Graduate, and Cohort Validation and Certification User Guide](#) and the [AIM Dropout, Graduate, and Cohort Validation and Certification User Guide](#) for further instruction.

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## AIM Webinar Zoom Links: September

The following list includes Zoom links for all AIM Webinars taking place during the month of September. *Please see our [AIM Webinars webpage](#) for the complete 2021-22 AIM Webinar Schedule.*

### AIM Webinars Taking Place in September:

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- Please see the [AIM Setup for Dropout, Graduate, and Cohort Validation and Certification User Guide](#) and the [AIM Dropout, Graduate, and Cohort Validation and Certification User Guide](#) for further instruction.
- **ZOOM LINK Info: Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 2:30pm**

Join Zoom Meeting <https://mt-gov.zoom.us/j/86262374289?pwd=MkExSGRQZVgzQmpXNHJjUQXpKckpGZz09>

Meeting ID: 862 6237 4289 Password: 480978

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#### Fall Enrollment Count with Program Participation

- Enter or calculate aggregate hours, service types, and count date absences. Verify enrollment data for all students, including MT Youth Challenge, Job Corps, MTDA and 19 and 20 year old students eligible for ANB, enrolled on 10/4/21.
- Verify Demographic data including name, race, ethnicity, gender, and date of birth.
- Import AIM enrollment data into the OPI MAEFAIRS system.

- Verify FRAM (free/reduced meal status), EL (English Learner) Immigrant, Homeless/Unaccompanied Youth, Gifted & Talented, Title I, Military Connected, Foreign Exchange, and Section 504 students enrolled on 10/4/21.
- Verify that completed Special Education ERs and IEPs are locked.
- Verify 21st Century data in AIM and check the OPI AS21 system.
- Please see the [AIM Fall Enrollment Count User Guide](#), the [AIM/MAEFAIRS Verification User Guide](#), the [AIM Enrollment Exceptions User Guide](#), the [AIM Program Participation Collection](#) and [AIM Program Participation Verification User Guides](#).
- ***ZOOM LINK Info: Thursday, September 30th, 2021 at 2:30pm***

Join Zoom Meeting <https://mt-gov.zoom.us/j/83622892705?pwd=Y0Zzam5KTEEwWTRsY05paE84ZitZZz09>

Meeting ID: 836 2289 2705 Password: 760744

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## AIM Announcements

### AIM/Infinite Campus Update the Weekend of Sept. 24, 2021

The OPI AIM unit has scheduled an update to AIM/Infinite Campus the weekend of Sept. 24, 2021, which will apply the Infinite Campus 2136 release. The AIM/Infinite Campus system will be down after 5 p.m. on Friday, 9/24/21 and we expect the system to be up sometime Saturday morning, 9/25/21.

The full set of scheduled Infinite Campus updates is available on our [AIM Web site](#) under the 'Infinite Campus Update Schedule and References'.

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## AIM Data Reminders

### AIM Student Photos Needed

Please remember to collect the Student Photo Opt-In information from parents as they start registering their students for next year. Then please follow-up with importing students photos into Infinite Campus, so the photos in AIM with the Opt-in value can be used by the Department of Justice to help find missing children. See our [AIM District Student Photo Repository user guide](#) for additional information.

### Infinite Campus Districts Touch Base Quarterly Meeting

There is a quarterly [OPI/Infinite Campus/School Services of MT meeting](#) occurring on Thursday, September 9th at 9:00 a.m. Hope to see you there!

## Updating AIM Contact Information

Please ensure to submit the [AIM Contacts Update Form](#) on the OPI AIM website whenever there is a change in AIM staff or AIM contact info at your district or school.

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## AIM Help Desk

[Submit an AIM Help Desk Ticket](#)

or call 1-877-424-6681 or 406-444-3800