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DIS	CIP Code has been appended to the end of the record layout as an additional field and is optional to report for the 2021-22 collection year. While reporting CIP Code is optional, even if you opt out this year, your file must still account for the additional field, meaning an additional comma must be present in each record in the csv file to represent a blank field.
	Clarifications have been made to the relationship between Cumulative Degree Credit Hours Awarded (DD114) and Prior Degree Flag (DD115).
ECS **(Public Inst only)**	A code was added to Source OPEID (DD153), 26005400 Military Service Institution. Use when credits are sourced from Federal Service Academies (e.g. United States Military Academy, etc.), and Public and Private Senior Military Colleges (e.g. The Citadel, etc.), State-supported maritime colleges and universities (e.g. Great Lakes Maritime Academy, etc.), and Military junior colleges (e.g. Valley Forge Military Academy and College, etc.) that do not have FICE/OPEID.
EIS	CIP Code has been appended to the end of the record layout as an additional field and is optional to report for the 2021-22 collection year. While reporting CIP Code is optional, even if you opt out this year, your file must still account for the additional field, meaning an additional comma must be present in each record in the csv file to represent a blank field.
	First-Time Flag (DD37) - Clarifications were made in the Data Cookbook regarding which data fields must be populated when the first-time flag=1 versus when the first-time flag=5. MHEC will discontinue collecting data for students with the first-time flag=5 for 13 data elements (see list below). Additionally, clarification was made that the data fields that must be populated when the first-time flag=1 must be blank when the first-time flag = 0, 2, 3, 4 or 5. MHEC will continue to require data be reported on five elements (DD109, DD38, DD45, DD46 and DD47) for students with either a first-time flag of 1 or 5. Edit checks will be forthcoming to implement the new requirements. You will be notified at that time. The following Data Elements will be required ONLY when First-Time Flag = 1. They are no longer required for First-time Flag = 5. 1. DD40 High School Code 2. DD107 High School Graduation Date 8. DD55 ACT English Score 3. DD108 High School GPA 9. DD57 ACT Reading Score 4. DD53 SAT Math Score 10. DD58 ACT Science Score 5. DD54 SAT Verbal Score 11. DD59 ACT Composite Score 6. DD106 SAT Writing Score 12. DD147 SAT Math Score 2016 7. DD56 ACT Math Score 13. DD148 SAT EBRW Score 2016

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EIS	Clarifications were also made to DD37, First-time flag, to clarify the definition of a transfer student. A transfer-in student is an undergraduate student entering the reporting institution as a new student but known to have previously attended another undergraduate post-secondary institution, including a military service institution. Students with non-collegiate learning credits (service/training in armed forces, AP exams, life experience, etc.) prior to matriculation are not considered transfer students. The student may transfer with or without credit. And a new code was added to DD152, Sending OPEID, for military service institutions without an OPEID (use code 26005400). Students with non-collegiate learning credits (service/training in armed forces, AP exams, life experience, etc.) prior to matriculation are not considered transfer students. Students who attended military service institutions are considered transfer students.
	Data definition clarifications have been made to the Cookbook for Residency Code (DD110) and Tuition Status (DD32) regarding the relationship between the two.
FAIS	Seven edit checks have been added for the FAFSA-related fields that require specific values to be present in the record when Financial Aid Status (DD77) = 0, meaning there is no FAFSA.
	If there is no FAFSA for a student: 1. Parent 1 Highest Grade (DD142) must = blank, otherwise FATAL error 2. Parent 2 Highest Grade (DD143) must = blank, otherwise FATAL error 3. Family Size (DD78) must = blank, otherwise FATAL Error 4. Dependency Status (DD79) must = 0, otherwise FATAL error 5. Cummuter Status (DD80) must = 0, otherwise FATAL error 6. EFC (DD81) must = 9999999, otherwise FATAL error 7. AGI (DD83) must = 99999999, otherwise FATAL error
	Edit checks have been added to EFC (DD81) and AGI (DD82) to capture possible data errors when a response requires multiple 9s entered to represent "unknown." (ie. >99999999 or equal to 9999999, 999999, 99999, 9999, 999, 99 or 9. A WARNING is isssued indicating, "Please review to make sure value should not be unknown (9999999) or (99999999)."
	DD85 - Aid Category Award Amount - the definition in the Data Dictionary has been modified to reflect MHEC's expectation that institutions report aid disbursed. Institutions that will have difficulty adhering to this defintion should contact Barbara Schmertz with concerns or questions.

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MAPCS **(4-Year Inst. only)**	Edit checks have now been implemented for the entire MAPCS data collection to correspond to the data definitions listed in the Data Cookbook. Fatal errors and warning messages align with those in other unit record collections.
Changes in Definition	CIS and EIS definitions on DE variables will be enforced starting spring 2022
Request from MHEC for feedback	MHEC collected responses on several questions tied to FAIS (adding variables/adding collection for summer data; adding variable tied to aid awarded (as packaged). Discussions are ongoing and institutions should anticipate more from MHEC this year. No actions will be taken regarding these questions in FY22.