



## SMS Modifications Responding to COVID-19

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As we all continue to reconstruct our educational environment to better meet the needs of our team and our students, we have made some modifications to SMS requirements during this COVID-19 time frame that restricts so many students and you as well.

With Dr. Ponce's approval, there will be several fields that will NOT be factored into a student's (and thus, Advisor/CTC's) Goal % for the time being.

### SMS Modifications

The following questions have been removed from calculation:

1. Measurable Goals for College Hours:
  - TSI
  - College Test (ACT, SAT)
2. Measurable Goals for Military:
  - ASVAB
3. Trackable Goals for All Student Types:
  - College & Career Fairs
  - College & Career Tours
  - Career Cruising (Xello)
4. Wellness: This tab, which should be done by now, will remain as is. Should a student require a service, 'Yes' can be selected, but no services can be provided by TCA at this time, so Advisors and CTCs can enter in notes "COVID-19" as the reason for the service not being provided at TCA.
5. No changes will be made at this time regarding Percent of Completion for Graduation. Any student that graduate this year 2020 must have a goal of 75% in SMS.

## SMS STATS

What does this mean for Average Goal Percentages? Following the modification, every campus's Goal % increased by 1, 2, or 3 percentage points. Furthermore, Advisors and CTCs saw an average increase of 2 percentage points. There is a cautionary tale here, however. In looking through the data for these particular questions, the quality of the data was sub-par. The table below breaks-down some important details to keep in mind while finishing up the rest of your student roster for this year.

Q	Yes Responses	Of Yes, Invalid/Blank Dates	Of Valid Dates, Invalid/Blank Scoring/Info	Net Valid (w/o other verifications)	% Accuracy at Initial Glance
TSI*	549	216	45	288	52 %
ACT*	49	6	29	14	29 %
SAT*	58	4	28	26	45 %
ASVAB**	58	18	10	30	52 %
College & Career Fairs	1787	951	0	836	47 %
College & Career Tours	1330	733	0	597	45 %
Career Cruising (Xello)	1252	16	N/A	N/A	N/A

*\*Only for Student Type College Hours*

*\*\*Only for Student Type Military; since there is no date of when the test is taken, date measurement taken on Estimated Enlist date prior to 2/1/2020*

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