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Six Month Status Report on: Division of Innovation and Technology

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Finding	Recommendation(s)	Management Response as of January 19, 2018	Management Response as of July 19, 2018	Anticipated Completion Date & Contact
EIAS does not have internal	We recommend EIAS	Back in 2010, the department	DTI has begun initial	June 2021
controls to view user or	develop and implement user	started the process of migrating	work to develop an	Antionette
system activity.	access controls for tracking	student data collection and	action plan for getting	Williams
	user activity. These	processing processes off of the	off the mainframe.	
	policies should include, but	mainframe with the acquisition		
	not be limited to,	of SLDS grant. A key goal of		
	establishing and	SLDS grant was to utilize more		
	documenting policies for	current processing		
	logging of audit records.	methodologies and technical		
	The logs should support the	approaches for the source data		
	unique identification of	systems so they can remain		
	individuals and permit an	compatible with EDW. With		
	audit of the logs to trace	this in mind, the department has		
	activities through the	built a Data Quality preflight		
	system, including the	system to allow districts to		
	capability to determine the	submit and process their student		
	exact confidential or	data within an auditable and		
	exempt data accessed,	secured server environment.		
	acquired, viewed, or			
	transmitted by the	Anticipated Completion Date:		
	individual.	June 2021		

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EIAS does not have	We recommend EIAS	EIAS will develop policies and	DTI has developed and	Completed
documented policies and	establish documented	procedures for overriding	Approved Application	5-29-18
procedures for overriding	policies and procedures for	systems edits.	Changes, Data Request,	Antionette
system edits when processing additional or corrective files	overriding system edits when processing additional	Anticipated Completion Date:	and Overrides User Manual	Williams
after the end of a survey	or corrective files after the	April 1, 2018	ivialiual	
period.	end of a survey period.	r , · ·	DTI Reviewed Survey	
			Override Process	
			document with business	
			unit on June 4, 2018.	
DTI does not have an	We recommend DTI	In the 2014 legislative session,	The Draft Disaster	June 31, 2019
established Disaster Recovery	establish a documented	the department was directed to	Recovery Plan has been	Antionette
Plan to restore time sensitive	Disaster Recovery Plan to	contract with an independent	developed and submitted	Williams
data.	ensure data restoration in a	third party consulting firm to	for review. NWRDC is	
	timely manner in the event	complete a study of the	building out	
	of a disaster, faulty	department's current disaster	infrastructure based	
	equipment, etc. These	recovery plan for its	upon FDOE approved	
	plans should include, but	applications and systems	NWRDC Project	
	not be limited to,	supported by the NWRDC. This	Charters. Anticipated	
	identifying the mission	study was completed by	completion of the	
	critical IT systems requiring	statutory due date of October 2016. However, the funds for	NWRDC infrastructure	
	priority DR services,		build to support the DR	
	developing a documented	implementing disaster recovery	plan: July, 2018.	
	and tested DR plan, and	plan were released on July 1,		

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	identifying recovery steps	2017 and the department started	Project Meetings with	
	to perform once customer	implementing the disaster	the Northwest Regional	
	systems are operational.	recovery plan.	Data Center indicates	
		Anticipated Completion Date:	project is proceeding on	
		June 30, 2019	time. All Software and	
			Hardware have been	
			ordered and some items	
			have been received.	
			Hardware was relocated	
			to Atlanta on 5/26/18.	
			NWRDC indicates	
			network design is	
			complete. Network	
			Design review meeting	
			scheduled.	