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Session 42

Getting Started with EDE & Title IV WAN



Agenda

- How to sign up with Title IV WAN Customer Service
- Basics on getting started with EDE from CPS Customer Service
- School's perspective on getting started with EDE and Title IV WAN



What is Title IV WAN?

The Title IV Wide Area Network (WAN) is the communication network that carries data to and from the Title IV databases.

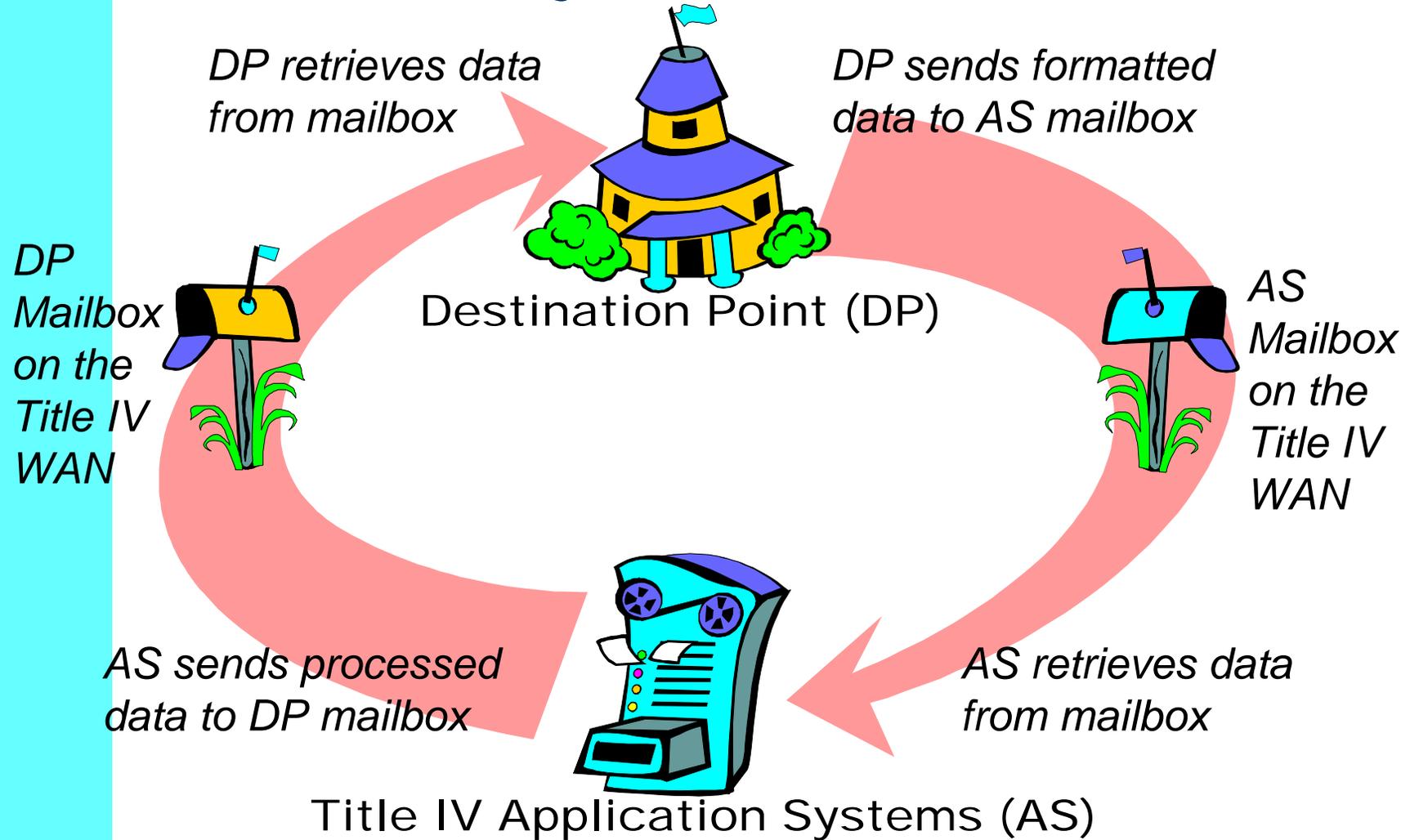


Contract History

- Began as pilot test in 1985
- Expanded from 278 Destination Points in 1989 over 10,000 in 1998 under the Title IV WAN contract



Store-and-Forward System





Who is data exchanged with?

- Central Processing System (CPS)
 - Allows participants to perform one or more of the following functions:
 - Electronic FAFSA and Renewal Applications
 - Receive electronic Institutional Student Information Records (ISIRs)
 - Electronic Corrections and Duplicate requests.
 - Access to CPS on-line query



Who is data exchanged with?

- Pell Grant Recipient and Financial Management System (RFMS)
 - Allows participants to send and receive electronic payment vouchers and statement of accounts via the Title IV WAN



Who is data exchanged with?

■ Direct Loan

- Participants are able to send and receive a variety of different loans
 - Federal Direct Loan
 - Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan
 - Federal Direct PLUS Loan
 - Federal Direct Consolidation Loan



Who is data exchanged with?

- National Student Loan Database System (NSLDS)
 - Provides a national database of loan level information and selected grant data on aid disbursed under Title IV programs
 - Services include SSCR, Perkins provider, Overpayment reporting, FAT information



Who is data exchanged with?

- FISAP (fiscal operation report)
 - Allows you to electronically submit your fiscal operations report and do subsequent edit reports



How Do I Enroll ?

- New method:
 - Title IV WAN Enrollment Document
 - Action letter #4 for 99-00
 - One form instead of three
 - Interview format
 - Destination Point Administrator
 - Located at <http://www.ifap.ed.gov>



Title IV WAN Enrollment

- Former method:
 - Customer Initiation Document
 - Letter of Application
 - Participation Agreement



Title IV WAN Enrollment

- **Current Users:**
 - Complete for changes only
 - Enrollment status of 98-99 will be “rolled over” for 99-00
 - No need to update for the coming 99-00 year
 - Fill out User Responsibility Page where appropriate



Title IV WAN Enrollment

- Each destination point administrator will be assigned a destination point number (TGXXXXX)
- For NSLDS on-line services, you will be assigned an NSLDS user id and password
- Enrollment session at workshop



Software Provided

- EDEExpress
 - Application Processing
 - Packaging
 - Direct Loan
 - Pell
- QAP for Windows
- SSCR



Software Provided

- EDconnect
 - Allows you to send and receive data
- NET*CONNECT
 - Allows access to query sessions
- Perkins Loan Data
- FISAP



User Guides Provided

- EDE Technical Reference
- Direct Loan Technical Reference
- RFMS Technical Reference
- Install guides



User Guides Provided

- Desk Reference Guides for:
 - Application Processing
 - Direct Loan
 - Packaging
 - SSCR Processing
 - QAP for Windows
 - EDconnect (NEW)



System Requirements

- Published in Action Letter #2 for 98-99 school year
 - Located at <http://www.ifap.ed.gov>



Connectivity testing

- A test file will be put into your mailbox when your Enrollment Document is processed
- Be sure to call Title IV WAN Customer Service to have initial password reset and for help getting set up

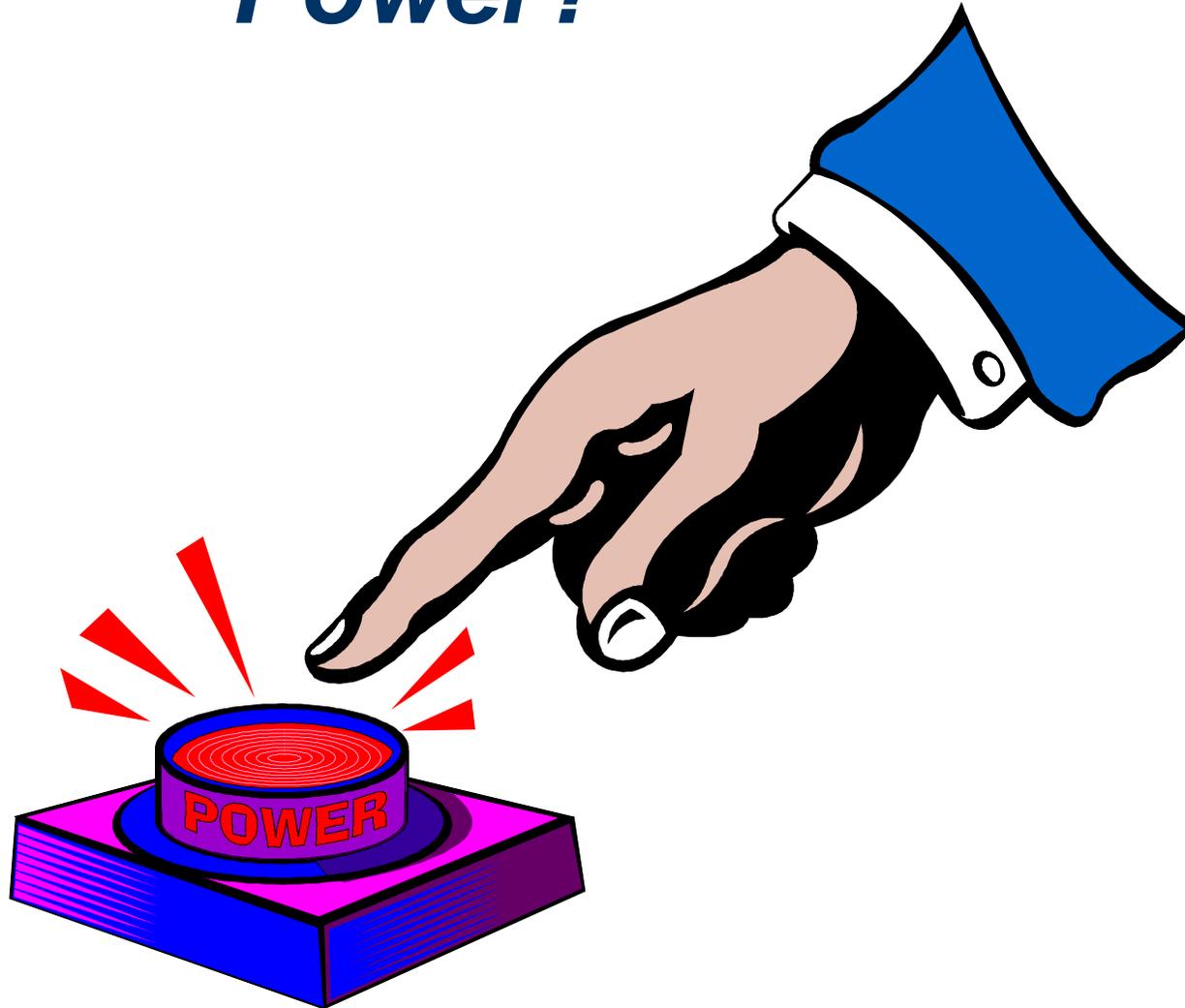


More information

- Title IV WAN Customer Service:
 - Phone: 800-615-1189
 - E-mail: T4WAN@NCS.COM
 - Fax: 319-339-6983



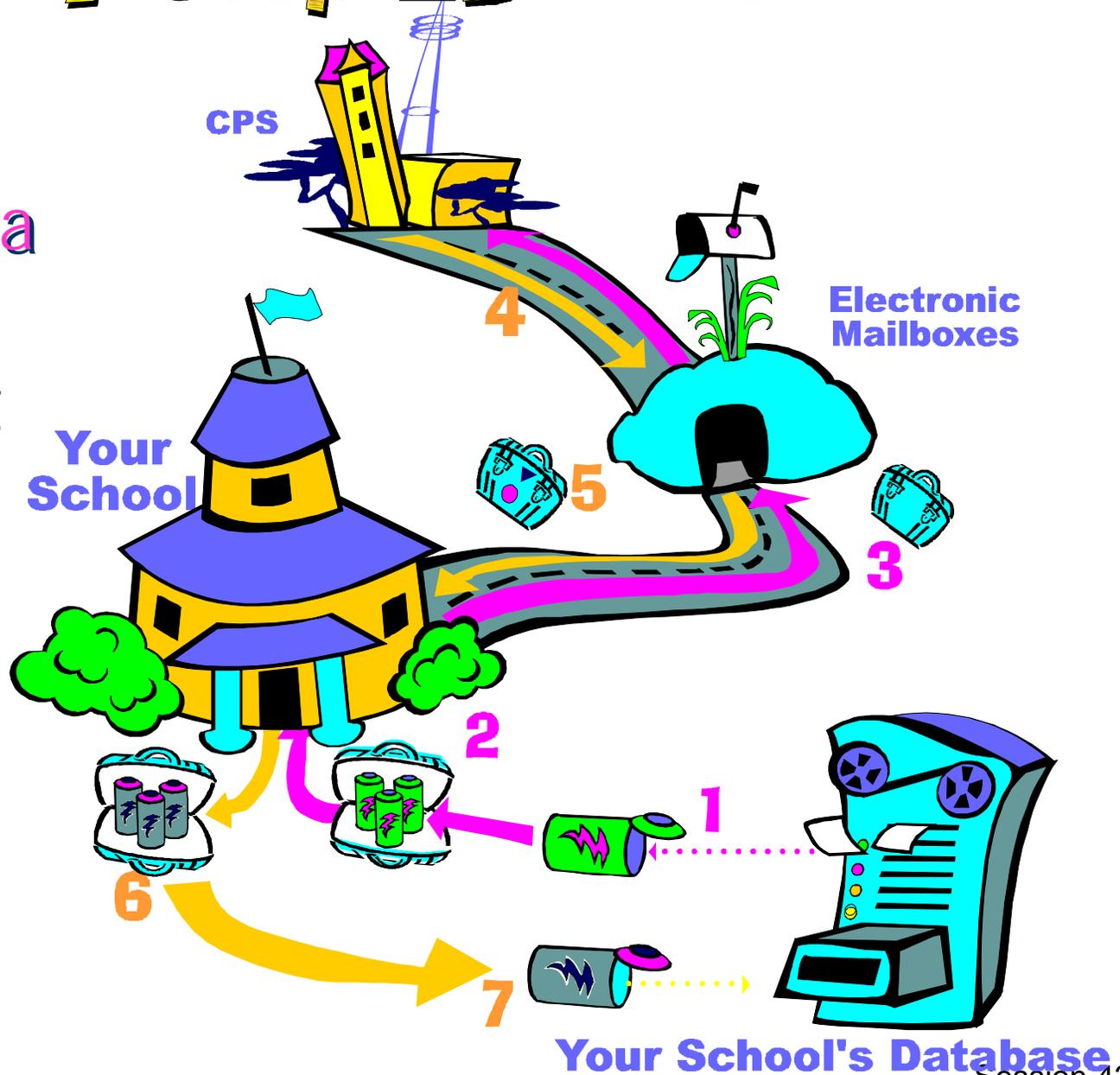
What Happens When You Turn on the Power?





The 7-Step EDE Process

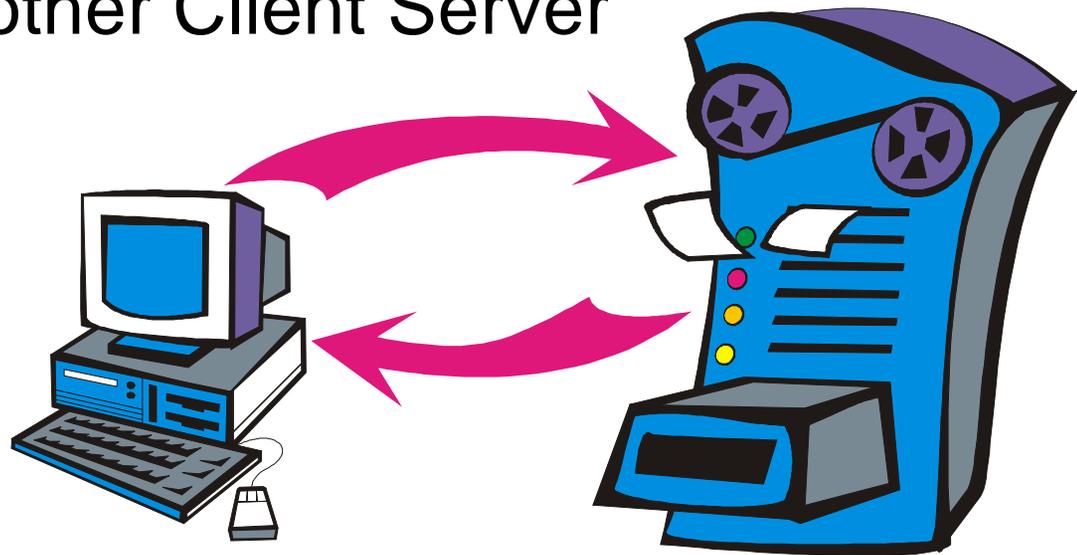
1. Enter Data
2. Export
3. Transmit
4. Process
5. Receive
6. Import
7. Manage





Flexible Configuration

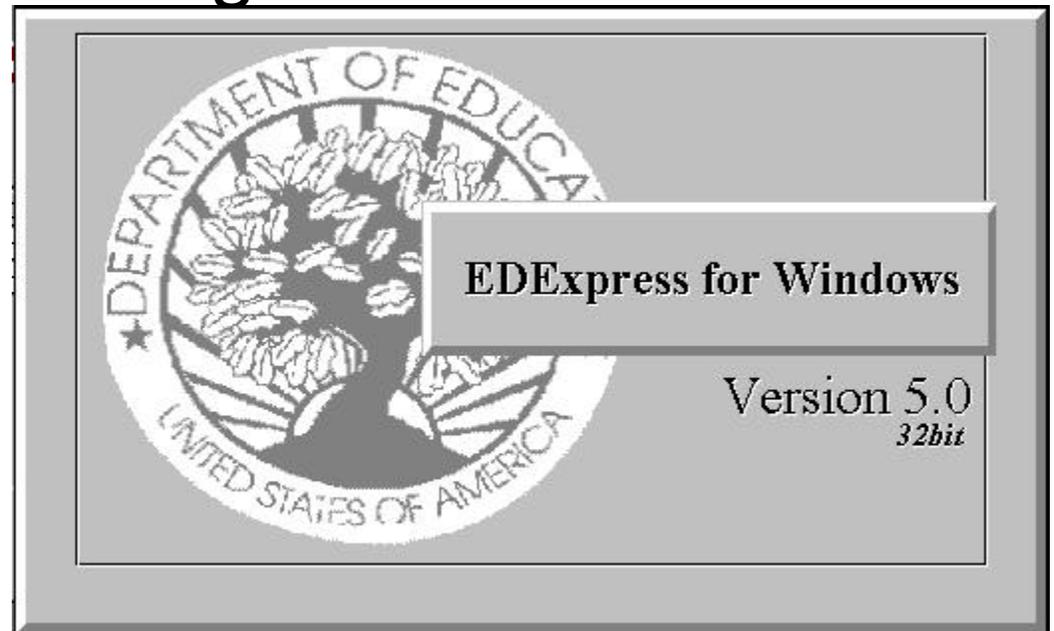
- PC Standalone or LAN
- Combination PC and Mainframe
- Mainframe or other Client Server Configuration





Features of EDExpress

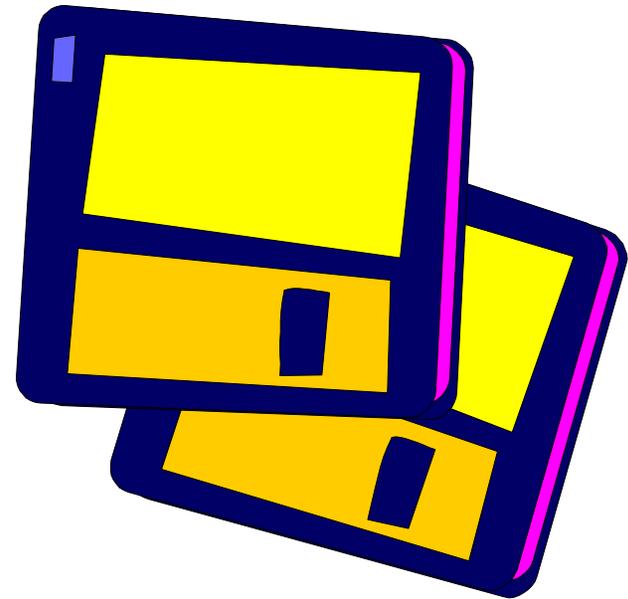
- Integrated Student Records
- Global Features
- Application Processing
- Packaging
- Pell
- Direct Loan





Other Software Needed

- Other ED Provided Software
 - SSCR
 - FISAP
 - QAP





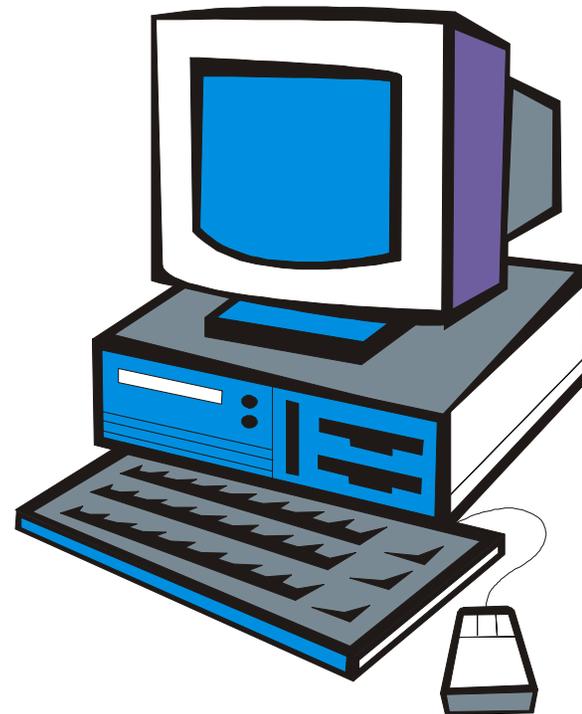
Other Software Needed

■ Office Management Tools

📄 Word Processor

📄 Spreadsheet

📄 Database





A Plan for Getting Started

- Evaluate Your Current Practice
- Data Management
- Compare Software
- Establish Desired New Procedures
- Develop an Action Plan



Evaluate Current Practice

- Data Flow
- Staff Responsibilities
- Current Software
- Relationship to Other Offices

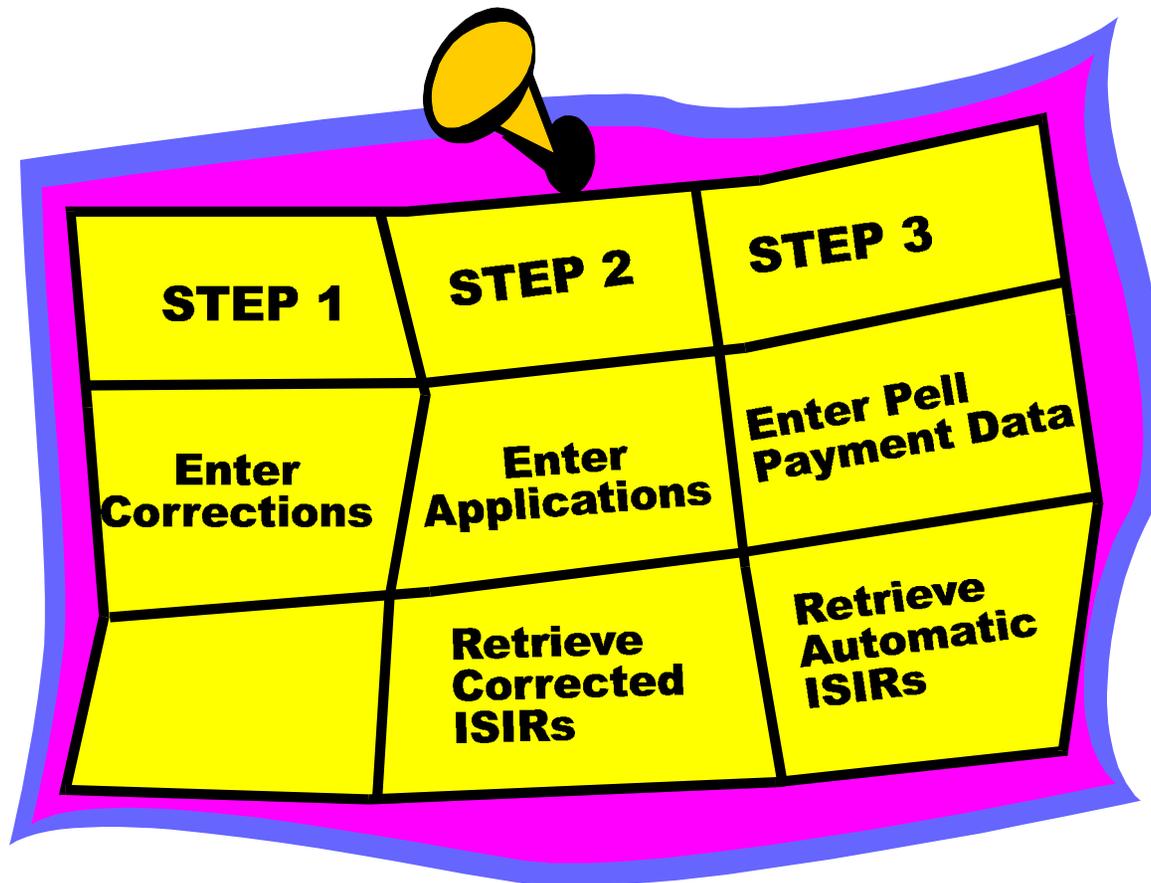


Data Management

- Create a Processing Schedule
- Backup Procedures
- Data Accessibility



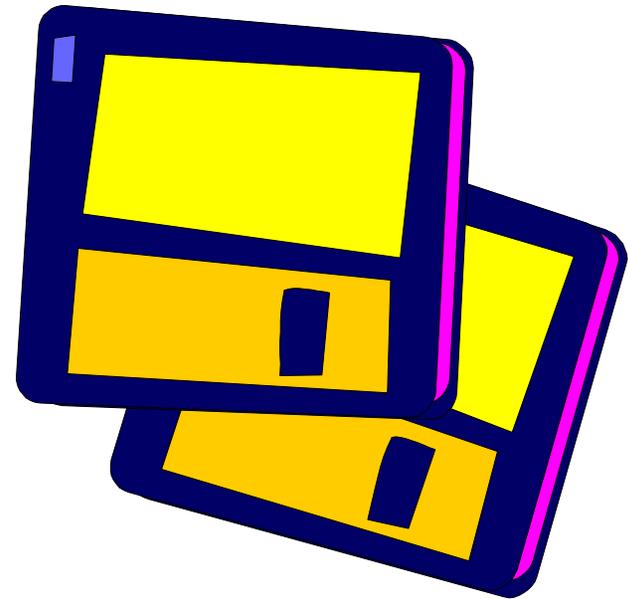
Create a Processing Schedule





Backup Procedures

- What Media to Use
 - Disk
 - CD
 - Zip/Jaz
- How Often to do it
 - Daily
 - Weekly





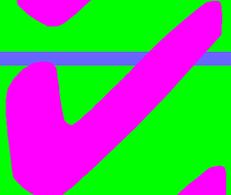
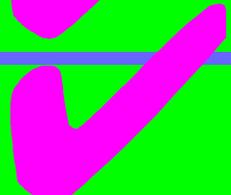
Data Accessibility

- Security
 - Access to view and update records
- Reporting
 - Query the database for information
- Retrieval from Backup and Archival Process



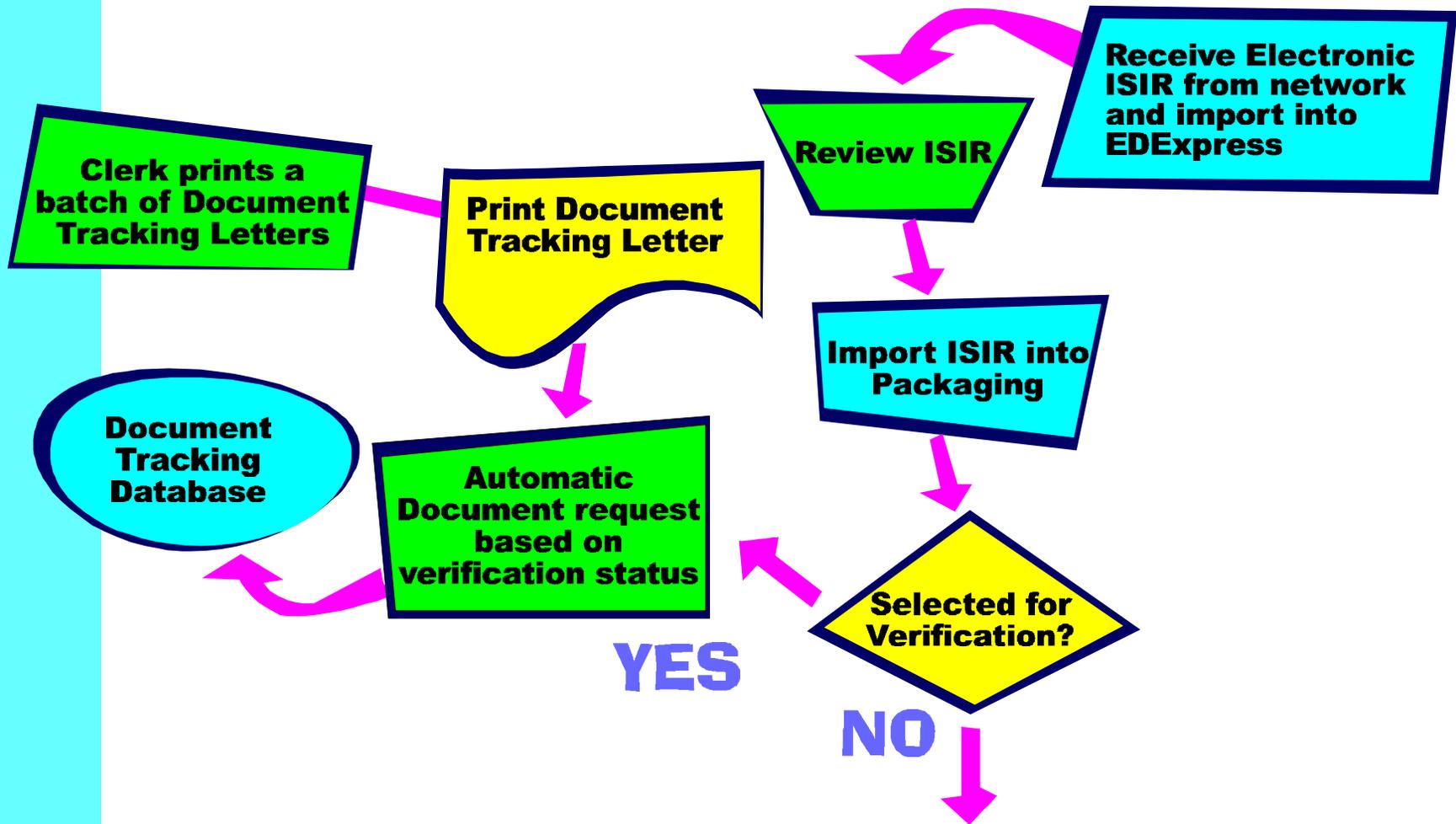


Compare Software

	EDExpress for Windows	Your Software
Initial Applications		
Renewal Applications		
ISIRs		



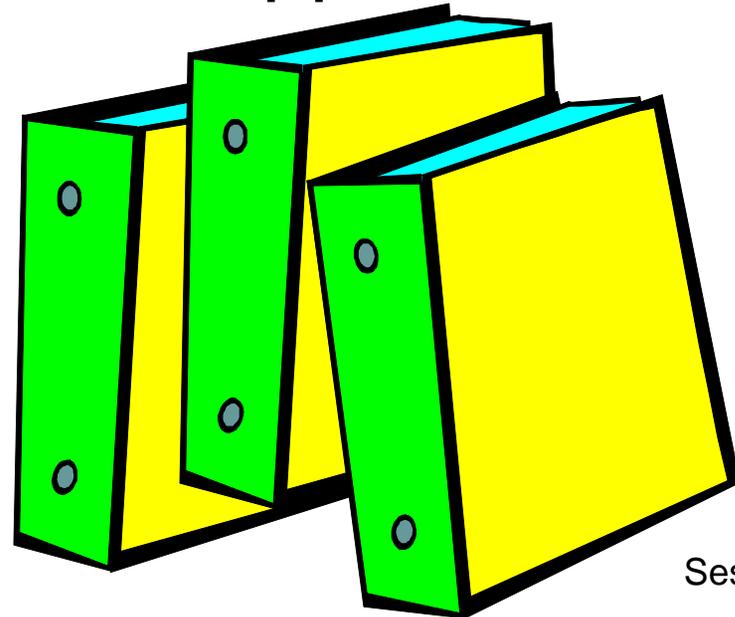
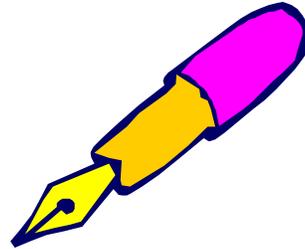
Establish New Procedures





Develop an Action Plan

- Approval Process
- Training Staff
- Hardware and Software Support





Getting Started . . . A School's Perspective

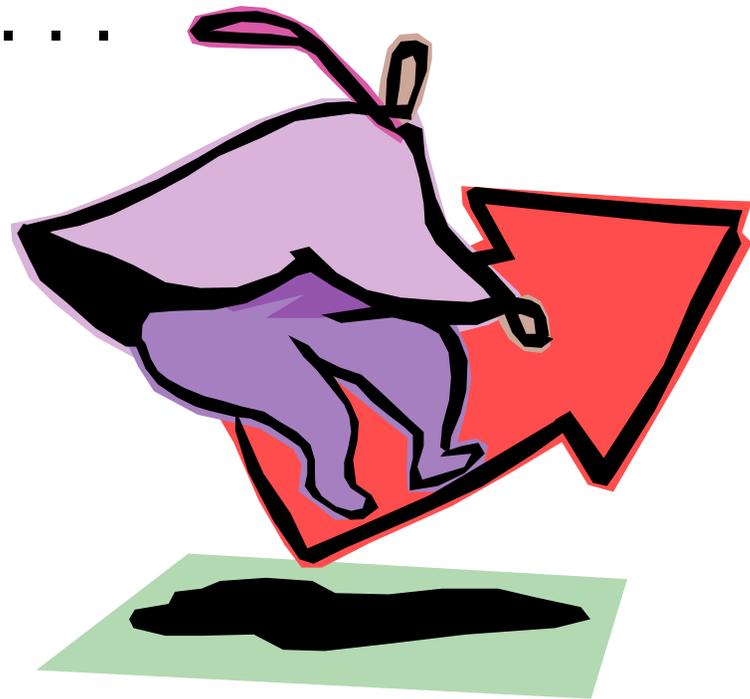
- Introduction
 - Who we are
 - How we use EDE





Benefits

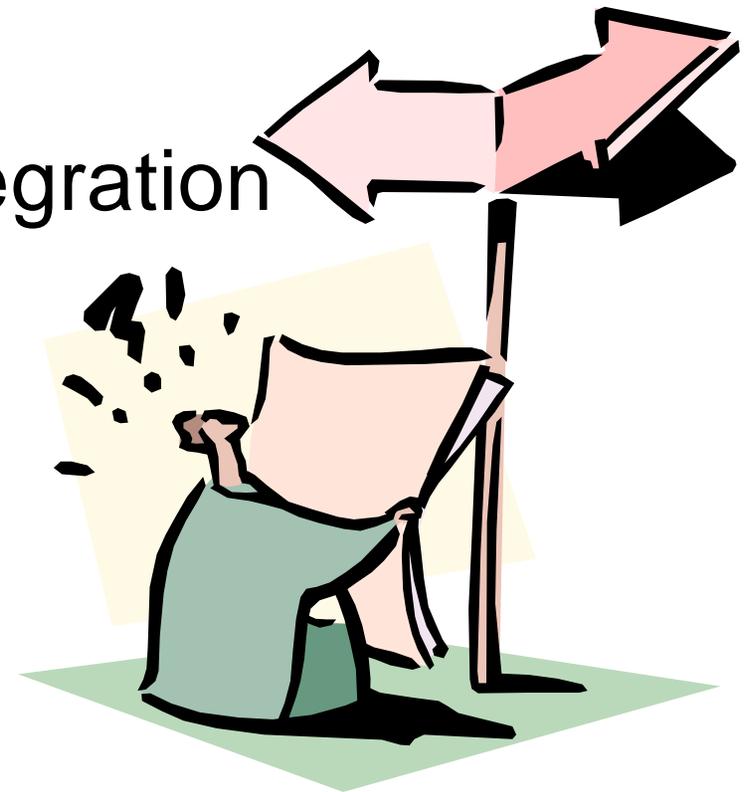
- To Your Customers . . .
- To Your School . . .





Challenges

- Fear of Change
- Hardware/Software Integration
- Campus Support
- Cost





Session Recommendations

- Basic Electronic Concepts in EDEExpress
 - Session #6
- EDEExpress from a School's Perspective
 - Session #17
- EDEExpress Query-Beginner
 - Session #23
- Title IV WAN Enrollment
 - Session #41



Questions?

