

A Bird's-Eye View

Someone recently mentioned to me that our company is fortunate to have a "bird's eye view" of the school choice community. When I asked why they thought we had such a view they replied that we have an advantage in working in different states with different authorizers, educational management organizations and public charter schools. Curious, I checked and found that during the past eight years we have worked in eight different states with over a dozen authorizers, multiple EMO's, foundations and over 400 charter schools. I guess that does give us a different viewpoint than many of you who are very deep in one geographic area operating a school, management organization or authorizer team.

One of the things we have learned is that there is always more than one way to perform oversight. We have worked hard to build additional flexibility into AOIS to permit clients in the same state to each have their own interpretation of how they want to handle oversight, document file organization and Board communications. For example, we support unique file organization by school as well as identical file organization for all schools—so an authorizer doesn't have to do it our way, but rather what they consider to be the best way.

As we go into more states, we now have a comparative grid by state that shows different documents used by individual authorizers to document oversight. We've learned from our clients to use Affidavits to document events that don't normally generate a document.

The affidavit proves to the authorizer that an action was taken and provides the "stake in the ground benchmark" for future reference. In Ohio and Michigan we have four different views of oversight actions and documentation in each state. In PA., FL. AZ, CO. IN. and IL we have a documents identified and state-specific AOIS for each state.



If you would like to talk about your own oversight practices, we would be happy to share our "bird's eye view" with you. Simply call Meghann Murphy at (616) 988-3215 or Larry Brannan at (616) 988-3202.

NCSC Recap

We want to personally thank those attendees who had a chance to stop by our booth at the National Charter School Conference. There were over 3,200 attendees at the conference this year. We were able to provide many demonstrations of AOIS using our live system and passed out lots of material for those interested in learning more about AOIS. Meeting up with current AOIS clients from the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation and Lucas County Educational Service Center was also a beneficial and positive experience.

We are looking forward to participating in the 2009 NCSC being held in Washington, D.C. June 22-23, 2009.

Compliance

AOIS tracks the compliance status of each school authorized, and reports this instantly in a graphical interface that is easy to use.

Electronic Filing

AOIS is also an electronic filing system, so every document associated with schools is immediately available and can be accessed from any location.

Workflow

AOIS also incorporates a workflow system that informs employees when it is time to perform a specific task, and flows documents from employee to employee electronically, ensuring the work is done consistently among all schools.

Performance

Aois also includes a performance module that tracks and reports student and school achievement.

Why AOIS?

DST One Year Anniversary

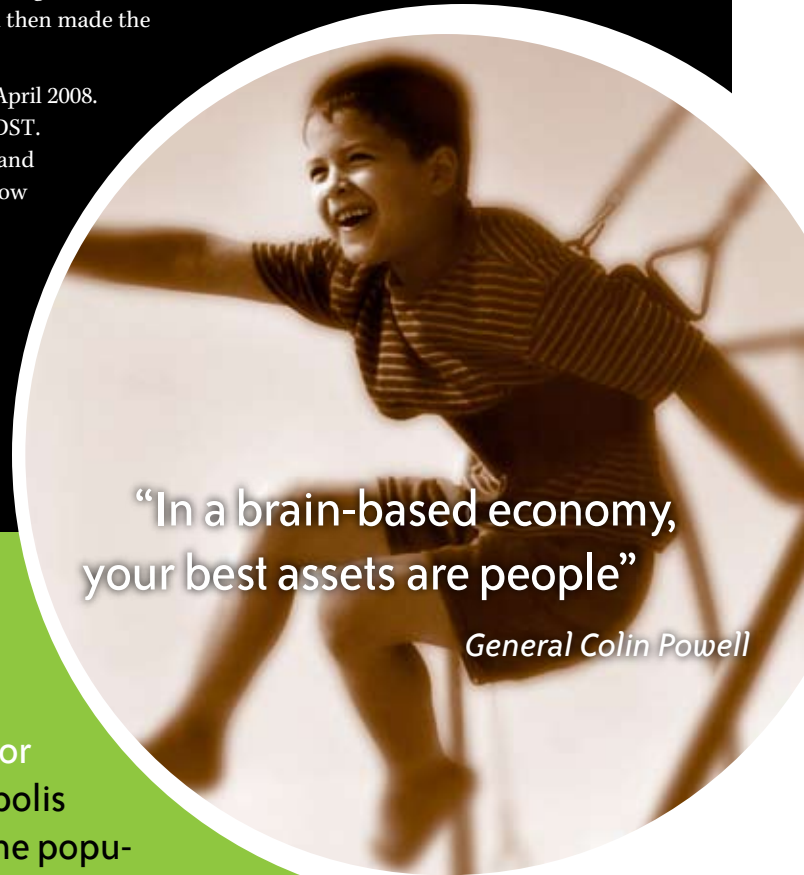
The Document Submission dashboard is celebrating its one year anniversary. The Center for Charter Schools went live with the Document Submission Tool (DST) at the beginning of the 2007-2008 school year. The Center eased their users into using the new submission tool and then made the electronic submission process mandatory.

Corporate Computer has since followed suite by implementing the DST in April 2008. By 12/31/2008, all users of AOIS will be submitting documents using the DST. Many training materials have been provided such as live web-ex sessions and guides. In addition, users will be able to view a "live" training session of how to submit documents using the new Dashboard. We are also working on reports that users can run to show that their documents were submitted and the current status of the document—this is a new tracking record that will be implemented. The benefits of using the DST have included reducing the time for document submission and the resolution of "problem" documents.

So help us celebrate this anniversary and make sure your users are DST experts!

Look for AOIS Representatives at this upcoming Event!

Corporate Computer will be a Gold Level Sponsor for NACSA Annual Conference in 2008. Indianapolis—Look Out! We will once again be supplying the popular thumb drives with session presentations and documents pre-loaded for you. No more carting all that paper home—this is the modern (and green) way of having all the Conference material at your fingertips. Plan to come to our booth to see some very sweet, new capabilities of AOIS!



"In a brain-based economy,
your best assets are people"

General Colin Powell

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