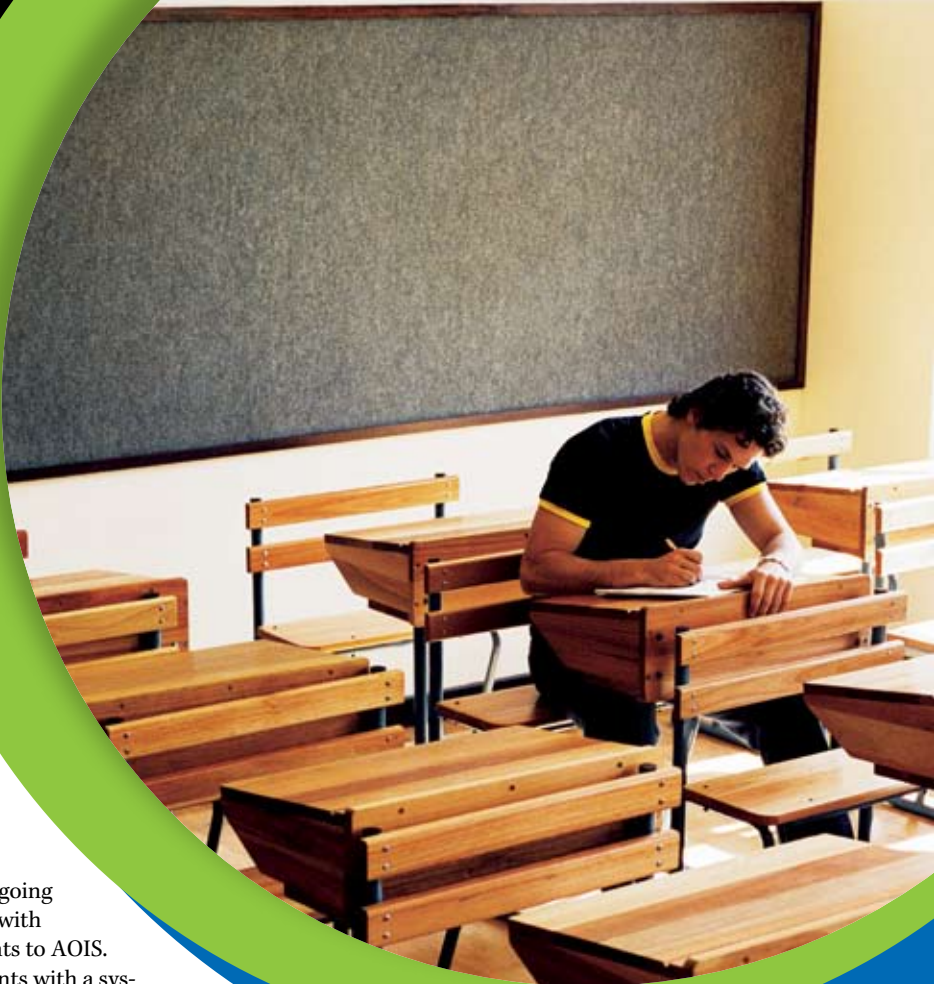


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Helping children to achieve their potential is your job—helping you to be more organized and have more time to do it, is ours.



AOIS New Enhancements

We are excited to announce the new AOIS enhancements are going live! Corporate Computer has worked the last several months with clients in developing and implementing multiple enhancements to AOIS. The new enhancements will provide Corporate Computer clients with a system that better meets their oversight needs. The new enhancements include:

New Compliance Dashboard - AOIS Administrators have improved statistics on documents that are on time, late, past due, not reviewed, not accurate and not complete for every school.

Improved Compliance and DST Reports - AOIS Administrators have access to new administrative applications and to security and user information reports.

New Document Type Administration Screen - AOIS Administrators now have more control over maintaining AOIS Document Types! Administrators are able to add new document types at their convenience in just a few seconds.

Improved Advance and Past Due Notifications - AOIS Administrators are now able to set up automatic advance or past due notifications when adding a Master Calendar Entry. AOIS Administrators can now configure their own Advance and Past Due notifications. Each notification specifies the number of days before or after the due date that it is sent and the AOIS users who are to receive the notifications.

AOIS New Look - The AOIS logo now appears in the top left of all dashboards and screens along with the organizations name in the header.

If you are interested in seeing the new enhancements to AOIS, contact Meghann Murphy at (616) 988-3215.

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Make this the year that you "get it under control!"

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• How many times have you heard State politicians call for "more charter school oversight"? It's easy to continually call for more oversight—it's much harder to prove your actions are consistent, measured and applied equally to all schools. If you want to start your next school year firmly in control of a proven oversight program that documents every compliance action, provides an easy-to-use user interface and has been audited by multiple State Auditor Generals and declared a "Gold Standard" call us now.



A New Key School Measurement Tool, the ISPR

One of charter school authorizers' main tasks is to evaluate the performance for each of their schools. This has evolved from simple checklists to an annual education report to a new approach by The Center for Charter Schools, Central Michigan University. Using data and documents resident within AOIS, the Center is able to define an Individualized School Performance Report (ISPR) unique for each school. The data is automatically gathered by AOIS and used to prepare a preliminary academic ISPR for the school. AOIS generates a word document customized for each school using

their unique data. This document has space for Center staff responsible for academic performance and accountability oversight to add their own comments to the document thereby further customizing it for the school. The annual ISPR is then delivered to the school during an on-site visit by The Center staff. Fiscal performance assessments are also included in the ISPR.

If you would like to know more about AOIS or the ISPR process, call Meghann Murphy at (616) 988-3215.

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.

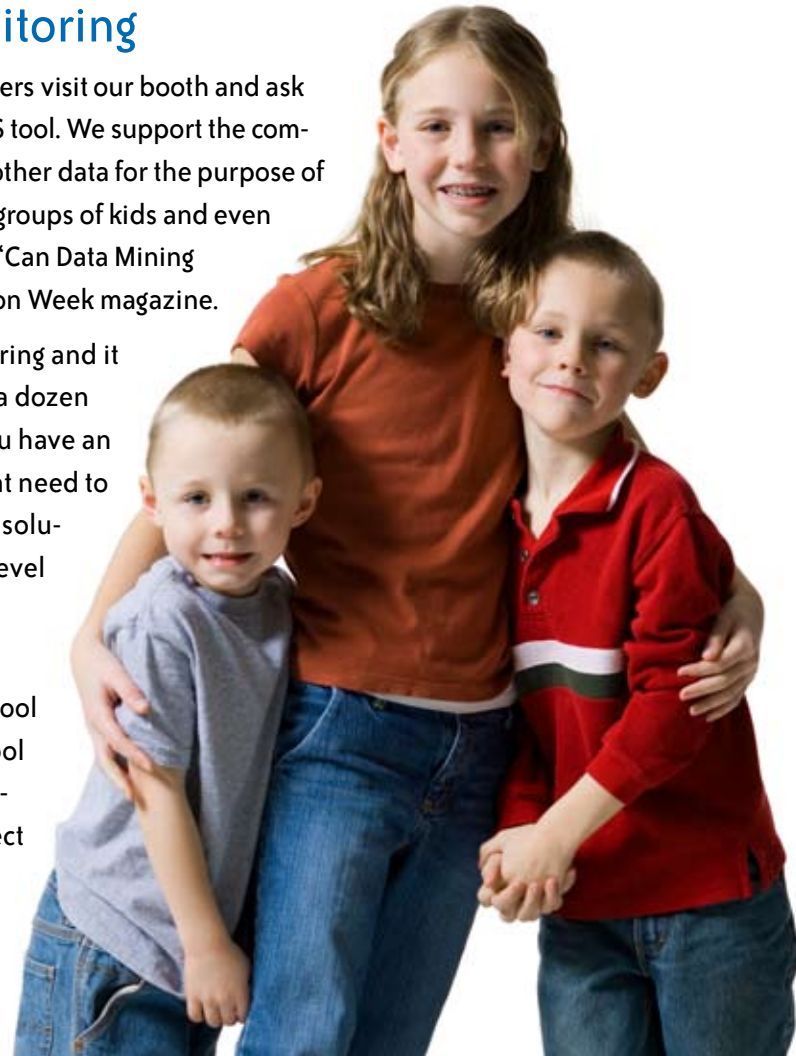
Why AOIS?

Road to Student Performance Monitoring

During the recent NACSA conference, we had several authorizers visit our booth and ask about monitoring student performance using the current AOIS tool. We support the combination of standardized test scores, attendance, grades and other data for the purpose of identifying weaknesses and strengths of not just schools, but groups of kids and even individual students. There is an excellent article on this topic "Can Data Mining Save Our Schools?" in the October 27, 2008 issue of Information Week magazine.

AOIS was originally created to do school compliance monitoring and it does that function exceedingly well. Today 337 schools and a dozen authorizers in nine states use AOIS every day. Whenever you have an environment with dispersed users and many documents that need to be submitted to a strict timeline, AOIS provides an excellent solution. It currently is not set up to monitor individual student level performance.

We feel the road to student level growth monitoring should start with school performance monitoring. Good data on school performance versus peer group schools and state wide school performance should be the first step towards monitoring student level. If you have interest in discussing a research project to do student level performance monitoring, please contact Larry Brannan (lbrannan@corpcomp.com).



Other Interesting Things Happening at CC

AOIS Wiki

During our first AOIS Users Group meeting, we presented the idea of introducing a Wiki into AOIS that will allow users to have a central point to communicate information. The group replied with a strong show of hands in support of providing the new collaboration tool. There are many benefits to using a Wiki. A Wiki allows the ability to exchange ideas freely among individuals which leads to outcomes such as better processes and innovations. It provides a platform to capture valuable knowledge and share it with others. Our ultimate goal with offering this resource is to make sure that AOIS keeps up with our client's changing needs. In addition, it provides the ability to foster new ideas for products and services that allow organizations to strengthen their Oversight and Accountability.

Corporate Computer has created a plan to link AOIS with a Wiki at the beginning of 2009. For additional information, please contact our AOIS Manager, Stephanie Misner at (616) 988-3200.



NACSA Recap

This year's NACSA 2008 Conference was held in Indianapolis and drew in a crowd of over 400+ individuals. Our team enjoyed meeting with current AOIS clients and was able to start the beginning of new relationships with policymakers, school leaders and service providers. The sessions also provided information in regards to the latest practices and policies.

We want to personally thank everyone who joined our team during the first AOIS Users Group meeting which was held Monday morning before the sessions began. Also, we want to thank the panelists and moderator who helped us deliver an exceptional AOIS Learning Lab.

We are looking forward to taking part in next year's conference being held in Salt Lake City. Hope to see you there!



'Tis the Season for Giving

The last few months of the year are prime time for donating to charities. Corporate Computer donates to many charities throughout the year and in this issue we would like to recognize Kyomi's Gift. Kyomi's Gift is an outstretched hand that offers support and genuine caring to children and their families in their time of need. Kyomi's Gift has developed several goals that they are working towards to fulfill their mission. You can find these goals and additional information at www.kyomisgift.org.

Without the help and support of organizations like Corporate Computer these gifts would not be possible. Kyomi's Gift is one of the many charities that Corporate Computer contributes to and we will be recognizing another charity next month. Stay tuned!



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