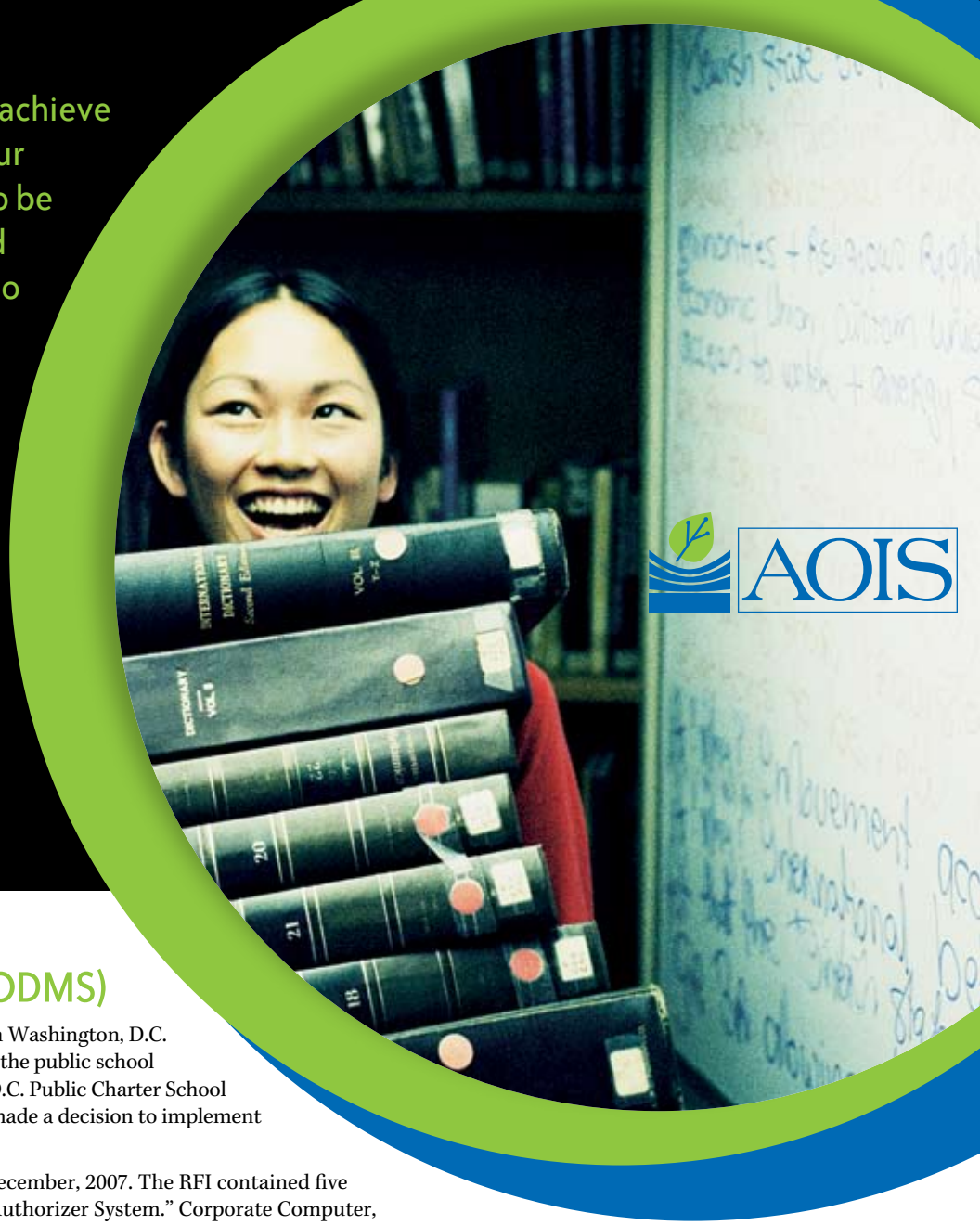


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Helping children to achieve their potential is your job—helping you to be more organized and have more time to do it, is ours.



A Mission-Oriented Data Management Solution (MODMS)

Charter schools have mushroomed 400 percent in Washington, D.C. since 1997. Today, 22,000 students, 30 percent of the public school population attend charters in Washington. The D.C. Public Charter School Board operates sixty charters today and in 2007 made a decision to implement a solution for the management of data.

The Board issued a request for information in December, 2007. The RFI contained five separate sections, one of which was a “Charter Authorizer System.” Corporate Computer, Inc. responded to that section of the RFI and to a subsequent RFP in March, 2008. This was a very complete analysis of needs starting with the identification of nine major business processes, each a combination of people, technology and strategy. On June 4, 2008 Corporate Computer was officially notified that we had been selected by Public Charter School Board to provide the charter authorizer software portion of the MODMS project.

The PCSB hopes to gain the following things from the MODMS project:

- › Effective technological support for their schools removing duplicate data entry work and to advance their ability to analyze and respond to student performance data.
- › Improved data quality processes
- › Increased capacity of PCSB staff to become more proactive and less reactive
- › Reduced business process dependent upon manual processes
- › Synergistic leverage to coordinate with the statewide SLED project.

Corporate Computer is actively involved with the PCSB in this exciting project. Stay tuned for updates!

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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.

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?

FSUCSO Raising the Bar

The Ferris State University Charter Schools Office (FSUCSO) held their 7th Annual Shining Star Awards on October 3, 2008. The purpose of this awards ceremony was to recognize those schools who have maintained a 92% or higher percentage on time for documents submitted to AOIS for the 2007-2008 school year. Mindy Britton, the Compliance Auditor/Board Liaison of FSUCSO, presented plaques and Shining Star Dollars to 14 of their 22 schools! FSUCSO is now raising the bar for the 2008-2009 school year to 94% on time. Therefore, those schools who maintain a 94% or higher will receive the Shining Star Dollars.

Providing motivation to the Charter Schools is a wonderful way to keep everyone excited about AOIS and in compliance. We want to thank the FSUCSO for hosting this important annual event and allowing Corporate Computer to participate in your Accountability and Oversight needs.

AOIS Administrator Roles

Each school hosted by AOIS is responsible for submitting their documents to AOIS by the due date provided. Once a document is submitted, document submitters are then responsible for making sure their Authorizer/Sponsor has accepted the document as accurate and complete. An AOIS Administrator also has important roles that they need to fulfill. They include the following:

- › Creating and maintaining Master Calendar due dates during the school year.
- › Providing sufficient descriptions for each required document in the Master Calendar and maintaining email notification settings.
- › Reviewing documents submitted for accuracy and completeness. If a document is found to be inaccurate or incomplete, the administrator should communicate to the document submitter what actions need to be taken.
- › Adding additional document requirements.
- › Monitoring schools that are not in compliance, which include those who have a yellow or red light.
- › Making sure all users have AOIS training and understand their responsibilities.
- › Communicating to their schools any new information or enhancements regarding AOIS.
- › Setting AOIS expectations, goals and providing motivational benefits to staying in compliance.

Fulfilling each of these important roles adds to the success of AOIS and ultimately, the success of your Charter Schools. If you have any questions about how to carry out these roles, please feel free to contact Stephanie Misner at 616.988.3200.



Going Live!

We are nearing the end of the development phase of the New Compliance Dashboard Enhancement! We will be implementing the enhancement in two Phases. Phase 1 will prepare the AOIS system for the major enhancements in Phase 2.

Phase 2 implementation will be done shortly after Phase 1. In Phase 2, we will work with clients on a one on one basis to train and set up AOIS, for the Compliance Dashboard Enhancement. Users will notice the following changes after Phase 2:

- › New Reports
- › Additional administrative capabilities so you will have more control over managing AOIS
- › Compliance Summary that will provide you with statistical information on documents
- › More user friendly

Other Interesting Things Happening at CC

Upcoming Events

October 26th - 28th is the **2008 NACSA Annual Conference in Indianapolis** — AOIS Representatives will be available at **Booth #3** for full demonstrations during the conference. This year we have also scheduled additional activities in hopes to connect more on a personal level with our current clients and build new relationships. We will host our first **AOIS Users Group** for all existing AOIS users on Monday, October 27th from 7:30AM to 8:30AM in Studio 5. Come and enjoy breakfast with our staff, meet other AOIS users, and learn about what new and exciting things are happening at Corporate Computer! We have also scheduled a **Learning Lab** during the Grab 'N' Go lunch, on Monday, October 27th. The Learning Lab will be a panel discussion consisting of current AOIS Administrators. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

If you have any questions regarding Corporate Computer activities taking place at NACSA 2008, please contact Meghann Murphy at 616.988.3215.



New DST Report!

A new and exciting report has been created for AOIS called Document Submission Summary. This report can be accessed from the Reports Dashboard/DST Reports/Document Submission Summary. This report allows document submitters to instantaneously view details regarding their documents that have been submitted through the Document Submission dashboard. Features included in this report are date range selection, exporting to various document formats, saving, printing and drill down feature. You can drill down into submission details by date or by document type. This report also shows the status of a document which is either Accepted, Not Indexed, Rejected or Failed. A reason for each status is also given.

We hope that AOIS Document Submitters and Administrators will find this user-friendly report valuable. There are also new reports to come! So stay tuned!

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