

Correct Expulsion and Dropout Edit Checks

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Summary

Use the **DR08 - Expulsion Audits** worksheet in the (NC) Dropout Data Collection report to review expulsion evidence, enrollment history, and related Dropout records.

The audit may identify a missing or inconsistent record or a situation where the school or PSU must review the available information before deciding which Dropout Reason applies. The EXPL actions in this worksheet concern the Dropout Reason, not the Exemption Code.

Purpose

Expulsion Audits identifies conditions involving expulsion evidence and Dropout records. It checks for:

- Expulsion evidence when the student has no qualifying reporting year enrollment
- Expulsion evidence and a CCAHS condition that require school or PSU review
- A missing active EXPL Dropout record when the audit identifies one to add
- An active Dropout record whose reason may need to be updated to EXPL
- An EXPL Dropout Reason without matching expulsion evidence at the PSU and school that own the record.

Severity

Warning

What to Review

Run the (NC) Dropout Data Collection report and open the **DR08 - Expulsion Audits** worksheet in Excel output. Review the Issue Code, owning PSU and school, student enrollment history, and related Dropout record.

Issue Code	What the result indicates
EXPULSION_WITHOUT_PRIOR_ENROLLMENT	Expulsion evidence is present, but the audit does not find qualifying reporting year enrollment to establish the student's Prior Enrollment Type. The report directs the user to review enrollment history.

Issue Code	What the result indicates
CCASH_EXPL_REVIEW	CCAHS conditions and expulsion evidence are both present. The audit does not choose between CCASH and EXPL; the school or PSU must review the record.
ADD_DROPOUT_RECORD_EXPL	The audit identifies evidence at the reporting school and does not find an active EXPL Dropout record for the reporting context.
UPDATE_DROPOUT_REASON_EXPL	An active Dropout record is present with expulsion evidence, but its current Dropout Reason is not EXPL.
EXPL_REEASON_WITHOUT_EXPULSION	The Dropout record has the EXPL reason, but the audit does not find matching expulsion evidence at the PSU and school that own the record.

Report Content

The worksheet includes student, ownership, enrollment, Dropout record, and issue information. The owning PSU and school fields identify where the result should be reviewed. For EXPL_REASON_WITHOUT_EXPULSION, the evidence check is limited to the PSU and school that own the Dropout record.

Column	How to use it
ReportEndYear	Identifies the reporting year covered by the result.
studentUID	Student identifier for matching the result to NCSIS records.
lastName, firstName	Student name.
sex, raceEthnicity	Student demographic values included in the report output.
cleanupType	Identifies the edit check group. For this worksheet, the value is EXPULSION.
issueCode	Identifies the expulsion condition. See the issue descriptions above.
owningPSUCode, owningPSUName	PSU responsible for reviewing the result.
owningSchoolCode, owningSchoolName	School responsible for reviewing the result.
lastEnrollmentYear	Most recent enrollment year available for the student; use as research context. This may be blank when the audit cannot establish an enrollment context.
priorEnrollmentType, priorEnrollmentExitCode	Prior enrollment type and exit code, when available. These may be blank when there is no qualifying enrollment context.

Column	How to use it
recordDropoutYear, dropoutType	Dropout record year and type or reason, when available. These may be blank when the result concerns a record that may need to be added.
subsequentEnrollmentPeriod	Subsequent enrollment period, when applicable. This field is generally blank for DR08 results.
currentValue	Describes the condition found, such as expulsion evidence without prior enrollment, the current Dropout Reason, or the absence of an active EXPL record.
expectedValue	Describes the condition or review indicated by the audit, such as reviewing enrollment history, reviewing whether CCAHS or EXPL applies, or adding/updating the Dropout Reason to EXPL.
suggestedDate	Suggested date, when provided. This field is generally blank for DR08 results.
evidencePSUCode, evidencePSUName	PSU associated with evidence, when applicable. These fields are generally blank for DR08 results.
evidenceSchoolCode, evidenceSchoolName	School associated with evidence, when applicable. These fields are generally blank for DR08 results.
evidenceStartDate, evidenceEndDate	Evidence dates, when applicable. These fields are generally left blank for DR08 results.

Recommended Action (need to expand and add screenshots)

- Review the results and identify the Issue Code.
- Locate the related enrollment records, expulsion information, and Dropout records in NCSIS.
- Confirm that the enrollment history and expulsion information match the student and reporting context shown in the result.
- For EXPULSION_WITHOUT_PRIOR_ENROLLMENT, review the enrollment history before determining whether a Dropout record is appropriate. Do not add an EXPL record automatically based on this result.
- For CCAHS_EXPL_REVIEW, review the student's CCAHS and expulsion information together. The audit does not select the final Dropout Reason. Consult the Dropout Data Manual (https://www.dpi.nc.gov/data-reports/discipline-alp-and-dropout-data) to determine the appropriate reporting treatment.
- For ADD_DROPOUT_RECORD_EXPL or UPDATE_DROPOUT_REASON_EXPL, verify the expulsion information and related Dropout record before adding a record or changing the Dropout Reason.
- For EXPL_REASON_WITHOUT_EXPULSION, confirm whether matching expulsion information exists in the PSU and school that own the Dropout record. If it does not, review whether the information is incomplete or the Dropout Reason needs correction.
- Correct the source data when the review confirms that the information is inaccurate.

- Rerun the report after the nightly refresh and review the updated result.

Use the Dropout Data Manual (https://www.dpi.nc.gov/data-reports/discipline-alp-and-dropout-data) to confirm reporting treatment and whether EXPL applies. The audit identifies a condition to review; it does not replace the policy determination.

NEXT: Continue to **Verify Reported Dropout Detail.** (https://nc-sandbox.knowledgeowl.com/home/verify-reported-dropout-detail)

Return to **Dropout Edit Checks.** (https://nc-sandbox.knowledgeowl.com/home/dropout-edit-checks)

Return to **Dropout Reporting.** (https://nc-sandbox.knowledgeowl.com/home/dropout-reporting-fb63bf2)