

Broadcast Message: SEVIS NOTICE – SEVIS Release 6.43 Production Implementation

To: All SEVIS Users

Date: Dec. 20, 2018

Re: SEVIS NOTICE – SEVIS NOTICE – SEVIS Release 6.43 Production Implementation

Number: 1812-01

General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will upgrade the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) to Release 6.43. There is no Final System Changes document for this release, as this is a maintenance release.

This upgrade requires an outage of the Production and Alpha and Beta test environments. See below for the **extended outage** details:

- The SEVIS Production and Alpha and Beta test environments will NOT be available from **Friday, Dec. 21, 2018, at 8 p.m. EDT to Monday, Dec. 24, 2018 at 8 a.m. EDT.**

During the outage, users will not have access to the Production and Alpha and Beta test environments. For school and sponsor officials, please ensure that all F, M, and J nonimmigrants have valid Forms I-20, “Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Status” and Forms DS-2019, “Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) Status” with current Travel Endorsement information prior to the holiday break, as SEVIS will be inaccessible during this extended outage.

SEVP will not send a follow-up email regarding system availability. Continue to monitor the SEVP Broadcast Messages and SEVIS message board for additional information regarding this outage.

If you have questions regarding any of the changes described in this notice, please contact the SEVP Response Center at 703-603-3400 or 800-892-4829, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT, except on federal holidays.

FOR BATCH USERS ONLY:

SEVIS batch file processing will be unavailable until the scheduled upgrade is complete. Please refrain from uploading files in the Production environment during the outage. Files uploaded during the outage will generate an error message and users will have to reupload those files once the Production environment is available.

Comments

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