

This document describes the planned system changes for Batch File Processing (Batch) with SEVIS Release 6.8. The updated schemas and modified Application Program Interface (API) Document for SEVIS Release 6.8 containing complete technical specification will be available on the ice.gov website (<http://www.ice.gov/sevis/schools/batch.htm>) by Monday, April 25th. The outlined system changes will be available for testing in the Beta testing environment beginning Tuesday, May 17th.

F/M Schools

There are no planned system changes for Batch with Release 6.8 that will impact schools.

J Program Sponsors

New Data Elements for Secondary School Students

Sponsors that are approved to host exchange visitors in the Secondary School Student category will be able to enter/edit **optional** data related to the J-1's Residential Address, Host Family, Boarding School, and Local Community Coordinator. This information may be provided during initial record creation, upon updates to an Initial status record (prior to visa issuance), or via edits to an Active status record.

The following defines each data grouping and lists the specific data elements that will be added to the Create-UpdateExchangeVisitor.xsd schema for both the CreateEV and UpdateEV events:

- **Residential Address Type** – Indicates if the exchange visitor's residence is with a Host Family or at a Boarding School. A new lookup table, EVResidentialType, will be added to the SEVISTable.xsd schema to include the 'HST' and 'BRD' codes.
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.ResidentialType
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.ResidentialType
- **Host Family** – If the Residential Address Type is Host Family, a Primary Contact, Secondary Contact, and Phone Number may be provided.
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.LastName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.FirstName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.LastName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.FirstName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.Phone
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PhoneExt
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.LastName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.FirstName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.LastName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.FirstName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.Phone
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PhoneExt
- **Boarding School** – If the Residential Address Type is Boarding School, the School Name and Phone Number may be provided.
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.BoardingSchool.Name
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.BoardingSchool.Phone
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.BoardingSchool.PhoneExt
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.BoardingSchool.Name
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.BoardingSchool.Phone
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.BoardingSchool.PhoneExt
- **Local Community Coordinator** – The Local Community Coordinator name may be provided.
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.LastName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.FirstName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.LastName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.FirstName

New Data Elements for Au Pairs

Sponsors that are approved to host exchange visitors in the Au Pair category will be able to enter/edit **optional** data related to the J-1's Host Family and Local Community Coordinator. This information may be provided during initial record creation, upon updates to an Initial status record (prior to visa issuance), or via edits to an Active status record.

The following defines each data grouping and lists the specific data elements that will be added to the Create-UpdateExchangeVisitor.xsd schema for both the CreateEV and UpdateEV events:

- **Host Family** – Primary Contact, Secondary Contact, and Phone Number may be provided.
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.LastName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.FirstName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.LastName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.FirstName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.Phone
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PhoneExt
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.LastName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PContact.FirstName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.LastName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.SContact.FirstName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.Phone
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.HostFamily.PhoneExt
- **Local Community Coordinator** – The Local Community Coordinator name may be provided.
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.LastName
 - CreateEV.ExchangeVisitor.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.FirstName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.LastName
 - UpdateEV.ExchangeVisitor.Biographical.ResidentialAddress.LCCoordinator.FirstName

Additional Validations for New Data Elements

With the addition of these data elements for both Secondary School Students and Au Pairs, new validations will be required. The following list defines instances that will return a processing error along with the new error code:

- For a J-1 category other than Secondary School Student or Au Pair, ResidentialAddress is provided (Error Code S2239).
- For a J-1 in the Au Pair category, ResidentialType and/or BoardingSchool are provided (Error Code S2240).
- For a J-1 in the Secondary School Student category:
 - Both HostFamily and BoardingSchool are provided -OR- HostFamily or BoardingSchool is provided but ResidentialType is blank (Error Code S2241)
 - HostFamily or BoardingSchool is provided but doesn't match the ResidentialType (Error Codes S2242 and S2243)