To: All SEVIS Users

Date: March 17, 2016

Re: SEVIS NOTICE – SEVIS Release 6.25 Production Implementation

Number: 1603-05

General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will upgrade the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) to Release 6.25 on Friday, March 18, 2016. Attached is the SEVIS Release 6.25 Final System Changes, which outlines the system changes the release will implement. This upgrade requires an outage of the Production and Beta Test environments. See below for the outage details:

• The SEVIS Production and Beta environments will NOT be available from 8 p.m. EDT, Friday, March 18, 2016, to 12 a.m. EDT, Saturday, March 19, 2016.

During the outage, users will not have access to the Production and Beta Test environments. SEVP will not send a follow-up email regarding system availability. Please continue to monitor the SEVP broadcast messages and SEVIS message board for additional information regarding this outage.

If you have additional questions regarding this outage, please contact the SEVP Response Center at 703-603-3400, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, except holidays and Wednesdays from 12:50 to 1:20 p.m. ET.

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 and Beta Test environments during the outage. Files uploaded during the outage will receive an error and users will have to re-upload those files once the Production and Beta Test environments are available.

Comments

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