To: All SEVIS Users  
Date: May 12, 2016  
Re: SEVIS NOTICE – SEVIS Release 6.26 Production Implementation  
Number: 1605-04

General Information

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) will upgrade the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) to Release 6.26. Attached is the SEVIS Release 6.26 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 Friday, May 13, 2016, at 10 p.m. to Saturday, May 14, 2016, at 2 a.m. EDT.

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 questions about the changes described in the attached 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. 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 reupload those files once the Production and Beta Test environments are available.

Comments

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