# PROPER WITHDRAWAL CODING FOR SENIORS

# WHAT ELSE IS NEW FOR 2007-2008?

- □ A new report will be available in the School Reports Menu.
- □ The new report will assist school guidance staff in identifying those senior records that must be manually corrected after the May sweep of withdrawal codes into senior records.

# WHAT YOU NEED TO DO?

- □ Meet with the guidance staff to incorporate usage of the new report into the current process.
- Confirm that staff have the instructions and handout entitled "Withdrawal Codes for Seniors/Graduates." In April 2008, the District Guidance Department will coach the guidance directors and registrars regarding this required manual correction for the Class of 2008.
- □ Verify that all 2006-2007 12<sup>th</sup> grade record corrections to withdrawal codes have been completed.
- Manually correct the following records every year: all 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who do not graduate including those who left school without a diploma, those who are returning for a 5<sup>th</sup> year of high school, those who are entering an adult education program, and all seniors who received a certificate of completion (both the W08 and W8A).

# WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T?

- □ Student records will be incorrect.
- □ Students who have not graduated with a standard diploma will have a student/transcript that indicates receipt of a standard diploma.
- □ The District Guidance and Records Retention Departments will continue to have great difficulty in confirming many former students' graduation status to colleges and employers.
- □ The district and school cohort graduation rates will be inaccurate.

# WHO NEEDS TO KNOW?

- □ High school principals and assistant principals who oversee the guidance department.
- High school guidance directors, counselors, registrars, and data processing clerks.

# HOW WILL YOU COMMUNICATE FOLLOW-UP?

□ By August 31<sup>st</sup>, the guidance director will certify to the District Guidance Dept. that all 2006-2007 senior withdrawal codes are correct.

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