

**Arkansas Department of Education**  
**Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)**  
**Statewide Information System (SIS)**  
**Cycle Development Timeline**  
**School Year 2026-2027 (FY: 37)**

SIS Cycle	FMS/SMS Change Requests Due Date	Cycle Due Date for FMS/SMS Testing	Cycle Due Date For Test District Release	Cycle Release Date (Legal)	Cycle Due Date (Authoritative)	Warehouse Load
1	Thu - Jul 30, 2026	Thu - Sep 03, 2026	Tue - Sep 08, 2026	Tue - Sep 15, 2026	Wed - Sep 30, 2026	Sat - Oct 10, 2026
2	Fri - Aug 14, 2026	Fri - Sep 18, 2026	Thu - Sep 24, 2026	Thu - Oct 01, 2026	Thu - Oct 15, 2026	Sat - Oct 24, 2026
3	Fri - Sep 11, 2026	Fri - Oct 16, 2026	Fri - Oct 23, 2026	Sun - Nov 01, 2026	Sun - Nov 15, 2026	Sat - Nov 21, 2026
4	Thu - Oct 15, 2026	Thu - Nov 19, 2026	Tue - Nov 24, 2026	Tue - Dec 01, 2026	Tue - Dec 15, 2026	Sat - Dec 19, 2026
5	Wed - Dec 16, 2026	Wed - Jan 20, 2027	Mon - Jan 25, 2027	Mon - Feb 01, 2027	Mon - Feb 15, 2027	Sat - Feb 20, 2027
6	Fri - Feb 12, 2027	Fri - Mar 19, 2027	Thu - Mar 25, 2027	Thu - Apr 01, 2027	Thu - Apr 15, 2027	Sat - Apr 24, 2027
7	Thu - Apr 15, 2027	Thu - May 20, 2027	Tue - May 25, 2027	Tue - Jun 01, 2027	Tue - Jun 15, 2027	Sat - Jun 19, 2027
8	Fri - May 28, 2027	Fri - Jul 02, 2027	Thu - Jul 08, 2027	Thu - Jul 15, 2027	Sat - Jul 31, 2027	Sat - Aug 07, 2027
9	Fri - Jun 25, 2027	Fri - Jul 30, 2027	Fri - Aug 06, 2027	Sun - Aug 15, 2027	Tue - Aug 31, 2027	Sat - Sep 04, 2027

**Definitions:**

- **Cycle Due Date:** Calendar date by which districts must submit cycle data by midnight. Authoritative date specified in SIS Handbook
- **Cycle Release Date (Legal):** Date by which SIS cycle programs must be made available to districts. *15 calendar days to Cycle Due Date*
- **Cycle Due for Test District Release:** Date by which SIS cycle programs must be made available to test district. *7 days prior to Cycle Release Date(Legal)*
- **Cycle Due for FMS/SMS Testing:** Date by which SIS cycle programs must be made available for APSCN SMS & FMS staff for internal testing. *5 business days prior to Test District Release*
- **FMS/SMS Change Requests Due:** Date by which SIS cycle program change requests must be submitted to OIT SIS Programming Team by creating a SharePoint ticket from SMS & FMS. *35 business days prior to FMS/SMS Testing*

**Stakeholders:**

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*\* All dates are mutually agreed and acceptable*