

Arkansas Department of Education
Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)
Statewide Information System (SIS)
Cycle Development Timeline
School Year 2025-2026 (FY: 36)

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	Tue - Jul 15, 2025	Tue - Sep 02, 2025	Tue - Sep 09, 2025	Mon - Sep 15, 2025	Tue - Sep 30, 2025	Sat - Oct 04, 2025
2	Wed - Jul 30, 2025	Wed - Sep 17, 2025	Wed - Sep 24, 2025	Wed - Oct 01, 2025	Wed - Oct 15, 2025	Sat - Oct 18, 2025
3	Fri - Aug 29, 2025	Fri - Oct 17, 2025	Fri - Oct 24, 2025	Sat - Nov 01, 2025	Sat - Nov 15, 2025	Sat - Nov 22, 2025
4	Mon - Sep 29, 2025	Mon - Nov 17, 2025	Mon - Nov 24, 2025	Mon - Dec 01, 2025	Mon - Dec 15, 2025	Sat - Dec 20, 2025
5	Fri - Nov 28, 2025	Fri - Jan 16, 2026	Fri - Jan 23, 2026	Sun - Feb 01, 2026	Sun - Feb 15, 2026	Sat - Feb 21, 2026
6	Wed - Jan 28, 2026	Wed - Mar 18, 2026	Wed - Mar 25, 2026	Wed - Apr 01, 2026	Wed - Apr 15, 2026	Sat - Apr 18, 2026
7	Mon - Mar 30, 2026	Mon - May 18, 2026	Mon - May 25, 2026	Mon - Jun 01, 2026	Mon - Jun 15, 2026	Sat - Jul 04, 2026
8	Wed - May 13, 2026	Wed - Jul 01, 2026	Wed - Jul 08, 2026	Wed - Jul 15, 2026	Fri - Jul 31, 2026	Sat - Aug 08, 2026
9	Fri - Jun 12, 2026	Fri - Jul 31, 2026	Fri - Aug 07, 2026	Sat - Aug 15, 2026	Mon - Aug 31, 2026	Sat - Sep 05, 2026

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*

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** All dates are mutually agreed and acceptable*