

# Schools Portal

## July 2000 Status Report (Version 1.0)

### Executive Summary

#### Overview

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The IPT met on a weekly basis during the month of July. The General Manager of the Schools Channel made a Portal/IFAP Presentation to approximately 2500 Financial aid Professionals at the NASFAA Conference. In addition, a third and final Users Group session was held at the NASFAA Conference Site. Mod Partner assisted with “Hands On” Portal Presentations.

#### Project Status

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The Project continues to move forward. A 9/30/00 rollout is anticipated; however, issues have surfaced which may affect deployment date. Configuration and Testing require additional staffing, ((3) professionals). Any delay in resource availability could affect delivery date of production software. Exolve has security forms issue that could affect clearance at VDC.

#### Timeline

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April	May	June	July		
Define Website Integration Requirements	Define Hardware and Software Requirements	Hardware and Software Delivery to VDC	Deliver NASFAA Storyboard		
Develop IFAP Integration Plan	Procure Development Software	Establish Testing Environment	Establish Testing Environment		
Develop Business Requirements	Establish Development Environment	Hold User Group Sessions & Compile Comments	Hold Users Group Session & Compile Comments		
Analyze Systems Requirements	Establish Users Group	Develop NASFAA Storyboard	Draft Migration, Configuration Management And Testing Plan		

#### Timeline Legend:

Black = On track; Yellow = Potential Problem; Red = Scheduled Deployment At Risk

## **Issues**

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*Resolved:*

- NASFAA Story Board Delivered.

*Pending:*

- *Testing Environment Must Be Established*
- *Exolve Security Clearance at VDC*

## **Deliverables Completed**

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## Key Tasks Completed

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### *Portal Users Group Session:*

Attendees:

K. Jacks, K. Crowley (Mod Partner), K. Wooley, G.Garoffolo (Mod Partner), M.Haldane  
P.Phillips, D.Gruen, T.Babel, D. Gelinas, M.Boulette (Mod Partner, Beacon Tech.)

<b>Recommendations Made</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Status</b>
1. Modify Order of SFA Links	Gelinas	Will Do
2. Move Feedback to Top of Page	Babel	Will Do
3. Add Number on Search Results	Phillips	Under Advisement
4. Define “%” Return on Search	Phillips	Under Advisement
5. Log Last 5-10 Sites Hit	Babel	Future Consideration
6. Use of Cookies on Desk Top	Babel	Future Consideration
7. The Ability To Carry Data Forward. The “Purse” Concept. (see note)	Babel	Future Consideration
8. “Back Button Functionality”	Multi	Future Consideration
9. Joint Training & Events Calendar (NASFAA)	Multi	Will Pursue
10. “Single Sign On”	Multi	Second Iteration

### *Presentations Prepared:*

<b>Presentation</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Audience</b>
Schools Portal and IFAP	6/30/00	Kay Jacks	SFA Management Council

**Key Documents:**

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<b>Document</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Reference</b>
1) Status Document	Compilation of Portal Activity to date	July Doc. 1
2) NASFAA Story Board	URL <a href="http://nmgprod1.edge-technologies.com/projects/sfa/beta1/">http://nmgprod1.edge-technologies.com/projects/sfa/beta1/</a>	Soft Copy Only
3) Users Group Notes	Self- Explanatory	July Doc.2
4) ECAD Report	Scorecard.. Week ending 7/21/00	July Doc. 3
5) School Portal/IFAP Conversion IFAP Weekly Reports	Weekly Reports 7/7/00 through 7/28/00	July Doc. 4
6) SFA Management Council Presentation		July Doc. 5