

The new Graph Setup and Existing Phase Lines August 13, 2010

There have been some questions raised as a result of errors generated when trying to 'Save and Graph' with the new Graph Setup on existing score sets. To date, all of these errors are caused by scores which have the 'Phase Line' box checked.

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Number of Blank Lines:

Changes have been saved!

Save Only

Save and Graph >>

Row Number;	Date	Percent accuracy		Base Line	Comment	Phase Line	Comment or Phase Text	Delete
22				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
21	6/4/2010	29		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Several issues are happening in this situation. First, old comments from prior to July 1 are no longer valid. Previously, staff could use Phase Lines to insert comments that actually were not appropriate for a true phase change. For example, "Student in fist fight after school", may explain a low score the next day, but this isn't a valid Phase Line to document a relevant change in instruction.

Second, to program the new tool we needed to have a predefined list of Comments and Phase Line text. This allows us to be assured that these text comments will be placed in the appropriate location on the graph and limits text to choices appropriate for Phase Line and Comment situations.

As a result of these comment restrictions, existing scores with the Phase Line box checked need to have one of two things happen:

1. Assuming the Phase Line box is checked for an appropriate reason, a comment needs to be selected from the drop list of available choices.
2. Assuming the Phase Line box is checked, just to make a comment and a matching comment from the list isn't found, the Phase Line box would need to be unchecked.

In order to see the comments and phase line descriptions entered prior to July 1, 2010, click on "Print Graph" at the bottom of the screen. You may want to print a hard copy of the graph so previous comments can be viewed and appropriate comments/phase line descriptions can be selected from the pull down menu. The comments selected will then appear when the new graph is generated by clicking on "Save and Graph". *

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