

To: All SEVIS Users

Date: July 12, 2016

Re: Broadcast Message Recap

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General Information

On May 16, 2016, the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) changed the Broadcast Message distribution process to reduce the influx of messages Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) users receive via email on a monthly basis.

SEVP now sends only emergency, time-sensitive and batch-related messages via email. All other messages are posted to the SEVIS message board and to the Broadcast Message archive page for SEVIS users to view at their discretion. To locate the Broadcast Message archive page, please visit ICE.gov's [What's New](#) page and click on the Broadcast Message tab. Additionally, SEVP will send these Broadcast Message Recaps periodically to notify users of non-emergency messages SEVP issued.

Below is a brief description of the messages posted to the SEVIS message board from May 6, 2016, through July 11, 2016. Please check the message board to review each message in more detail.

- SEVP Ask the Experts: K-12 Spotlight Webinar - June 22, 2016, 2 p.m. EDT
 - SEVP subject matter experts provided tips and best practices for school officials, discussed the unique policies affecting K-12 schools, and highlighted the resources available for kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12) designated school officials and administrators on Study in the States and through SEVP field representatives.
- SEVIS Fall 2016 Roadmap Webinar
 - This July 15 webinar (2 – 3 p.m. EDT) will focus on planned enhancements to SEVIS for fall 2016.

Schools and school officials are responsible for understanding and adhering to the information contained in Broadcast Messages from SEVP and the U.S. Department of State, regardless of whether the information is sent via email or posted directly to the message board.

SEVP will provide updates in the coming months about additional improvements made to the Broadcast Message functionality in SEVIS.

If you have questions, please contact the SEVP Response Center at 703-603-3400 or 800-892-4829, Monday through Friday, from 8 to 6 p.m. ET, except on Wednesdays from 12:50 to 1:20 p.m. ET and holidays.

Comments

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