

# ND PSUG 2024

## Schedule

Day 1 – November 6, 2024

**7:45** – Registration

**8:00 - 8:15** – Welcome (Introductions) and Announcements (Ballroom) Glen Weinmann

**8:15 - 9:15** – DPI/PS/Infinite Campus Road Map - Steve Snow

	Room Location					
	New York 1	New York 2	Hudson	Wyeth Rockwell	Van Gogh-Remington	Renoir Russell
<b>9:30 to 10:25</b>	PowerTools	SLDS Demo	Contact Basics & Parent Access Accounts	PowerSchool Notifications Deep Dive	PreStandards Conversations	ND Immunization Information System (NDIIS)
<b>10:30 to 11:25</b>	At Risk	SLDS Demo	Help Desk	PowerSchool Lesson Planner	PowerTeacher Pro Standards in the Gradebook	ND Immunization Information System (NDIIS)
<b>11:30 to 12:15</b>	<b>LUNCH</b> Provided by PowerSchool					
<b>12:20 to 1:15</b>	Using Activities in PS	Choice Ready	Help Desk	What's New in PowerSchool	Personalized Learning	STARS
<b>1:20 to 2:15</b>	Creating and Saving Lists in PS	Editing/Adding Student Schedules	Help Desk	MyPowerHub and SchoolMessenger Communications	Standards Weighting in the High School	STARS
<b>Break</b>						
<b>2:30 to 3:25</b>	Days, Periods and Bell Schedules in PowerSchool	Staff Data: Journey from PS to STARS	Help Desk	Introduction to PowerBuddy-PowerSchool's AI	Cybersecurity Standards in ND	PowerTools
<b>3:30 to 4:25</b>	Enrollment and Transfer Scenarios	Student Data: Journey from PS to STARS	Help Desk	Introduction to Performance Matters Assessment	Editing Standards in PowerSchool	Students Graduating Early

## Day 2 – November 7, 2024

**8:00** – Breakfast & Welcome, Upcoming Scheduler dates and Day 2 Preview – Glen Weinmann

	Room Location					
	New York 1	New York 2	Hudson	Wyeth Rockwell	Van Gogh-Remington	Renoir Russell
<b>8:30 to 11:30</b>	PSCB Custom Reports and Customizations	Everything Contacts	Help Desk or topic	What's New in PowerSchool? (1 hour) Advanced Reports (1 hour) PowerSchool Notifications Deep Dive (1 hour)	Standards Implementation	eTranscript

## Day 1 – Session Descriptions (1 HOUR SESSIONS)

### At-Risk

In this session we will learn how to set up the At Risk Analytic to look at grades and attendance to help admin users identify potentially At-Risk students. We will also learn to set up your At-Risk methods using grades & attendance, just grades, or just attendance. You can also set up different methods for different schools. This is a great way to quickly identify students that may have grades and attendance issues based on the parameters you set up. It is more relevant than ever since the At-Risk info is on the Start Page in the Quick Data section.

### Choice Ready

Even though Choice Ready is complete for the 24-25 school year, learn what you can do to get students up to date for the next school year and beyond. It's a continuous process that all schools should work on throughout the year.

### Contact Basics & Parent Access Accounts

Contacts provides a modern way to track/identify people related to a student that fully supports different family structures (Parent, Guardian, Step-Parent, Aunt/Uncle, etc.) and phone types. Learn the basics of Contacts as well as how to create and trouble shoot parent accounts in PowerSchool.

### Creating and Saving Lists in PS

After a great many years, List Students Auto-Loader is now a user-friendly plugin! As the name implies, it allows users in the PowerSchool admin portal to save "List Sets" for the List Students group function.

These list sets show in the drop-down menu in the upper-right of the List Students screen and when selected automatically input all the saved fields, titles, and settings. All users can save "personal" list sets. You may give particular security groups permission to create list sets for their school, or multiple schools/the entire district.

In this session we will learn how to create and save these personal and public list sets and how to edit them and use them in a variety of ways with our group functions in PS.

### **Cybersecurity Standards in ND**

In this workshop, you will prepare your school/district for the importing, clean up and course ready preparation process of the ND Cybersecurity Standards in PowerSchool. We will help you work with the prepared spreadsheets for importing; help you learn how to edit and manage said Standards; and finally assign those standards to your Cybersecurity Courses in Powerschool.

### **Days, Periods and Bell Schedules in PowerSchool**

Taking the time to review and understand why the correct number of days and periods along with an accurate bell schedule and attendance conversion will prevent inaccuracies in ADA/ADM ensuring correct student attendance in PowerSchool and STARS.

### **Editing/Adding Student Schedules**

Do you need to make changes to student schedules for the second semester? Learn best practices for making changes to student schedules during this transition time, at the beginning of the school year, or any time in between.

### **Editing Standards in PowerSchool**

In this workshop, you will learn how to Edit, Clean-up and Create New Standards in PowerSchool. First we will help you remember how to, create and add New Standards to your current Standards list. Secondly, we will help you Edit Names and display order of your Current Standards. Finally, we will help you learn how to clean out old Standards correctly so you keep a clean Oracle system; so ultimately, you can import a new set of Updated Standards.

### **Enrollment and Transfer Scenarios**

In this session we will discuss common enrollment and transfer situations that often cause errors in STARS. We will also cover best practices for dealing with these situations. In this session we will discuss enrollment codes, the importance of dates, and scenarios that you may encounter in your school when enrolling and transferring students.

### **Introduction to PowerBuddy Performance Matters Assessment**

Presented by Jason Springel, Solution Strategy Director for PowerSchool.

### **Introduction to PowerBuddy – PowerSchool's AI**

Presented by Jason Springel, Solution Strategy Director for PowerSchool.

### **My PowerHub and School Messenger Communications**

Presented by Jason Springel, Solution Strategy Director for PowerSchool.

### **ND Immunization Information System (NDIIS)**

Mary Woinarowicz, NDIIS manager, with the ND Department of Health and Kate Gartner, school nurse with the Bismarck public school system will discuss the immunization program available to schools through the department of Health and how Bismarck schools manages and monitors immunizations in their school.

### **Personalized Learning**

The goal of this class is to do the following things:

1. First, help you better understand what Personalized Learning is. Defined as a diverse variety of educational programs, learning experiences, instructional approaches, and academic-support strategies that are intended to address the distinct learning needs, interests, aspirations, or cultural backgrounds of individual students.
2. Second, help you better understand what Differentiated Instruction looks like, which is a tailoring instruction to meet individual needs. Whether teachers differentiate content, process, products, or the learning environment, the use of ongoing assessment and flexible grouping makes this a successful approach to instruction. And better yet, how PowerSchool and the PTPro Gradebook can support you in this process.

Join us to learn how to “transform” your Standards based classroom.

### **PowerSchool Lesson Planner**

Presented by Jason Springel, Solution Strategy Director for PowerSchool.

### **PowerSchool Notifications Deep Dive**

Presented by Jason Springel, Solution Strategy Director for PowerSchool.

### **PowerTools**

Learn how to run the PowerTools and clean up issues with school and class enrollments.

### **Pre-Standards Conversations**

In this workshop, you will prepare your school/district for the PowerSchool Standards workshop or process you are planning to attend in the future. You will spend time studying, researching and reworking your District Standards so, you will be prepared to implement your “team” ideas effectively. We will cover the whole process necessary to prepare your district for implementation of standards. This is a pre-standards session.

### **PTPro Standards in the Gradebook**

A how to and best practice demonstration on how to score standards in your PTPro gradebook. Showing daily assignment entry while attaching multiple skills. Demonstrating Best Practice in regard to Standards. Letting the gradebook collect Practice+Standards+Consistent Rubric=True score earned by the student.

### **SLDS Demo**

Review and analyze student level data. Participants will be shown how to navigate the SLDS. Specifically exploring school, teacher, and student data dashboards. As well as drilling down to the individual current and historical student level, for those student that have attended a North Dakota public school or a North Dakota school that is using PowerSchool. Exploring Dashboards, including Continuous Improvement will be reviewed, along with how to save and export your data.

### **Staff Data Journey from PS to STARS**

Problems with staff getting their K12 email addresses? Learn the process of staff data flow from PS to STARS, including SLDS & K12’s Identity Management from start to finish. Walk through various scenarios to ensure all staff’s circumstances are covered.

### **Standards Weighting in the High School**

Learn about the option in PowerSchool to Score Standards only on your High School courses. We will spend time on how to import High School standards. How to weight your High School standards on the courses. And how to score with Standards only grading; while pulling a Traditional grade at the same time.

### **STARS**

This training session is everything STARS: How are permissions given? Students Waiting for State ID, What do you do if the student isn’t in Students Waiting for State ID? How does Automated File Transfer work? The PowerSchool Calendar and the STARS calendar, STARS Staging Area Report, and STARS Validation Errors.

### **Student Data Journey from PS to STARS**

Want to ensure your students flow seamlessly into STARS, get a State Student Number and K12 email address that affiliated to your school? Learn the process of student data flow from PS to STARS, including SLDS and K12 Identity Management from start to finish. Walk through various scenarios to ensure all student’s circumstances are covered.

### **Students Graduating Early**

Early graduates are becoming more and more common in our schools. There are steps that are necessary to follow to ensure that data flows to STARS, SLDS and eTranscript. This session will cover several examples of early graduates and how each is handled in PowerSchool. We will be using the Enrollment and Transfer document.

### **Using Activities in PS**

Wouldn't it be nice to be able to select a group of students based on the activity that they're in? In this session we will learn to create activities, add students to the activities, run searches for the activity groups, perform group functions with the group, such as mass change attendance, run eligibility reports by activity, and send out letters to a select group of parent, as well as creating those mailing labels, just to name a few things. We'll also learn how to create Stored Searches of the groups for ease of use. There's also a report that lists all activities and how many students are in each activity. This is a great function for Athletic Directors.

Setup and usage is very simple but can be a huge time saver for many users.

### **What's New in PowerSchool (Jason Springel)**

Jason Springel, from PowerSchool, will provide an overview of what's new in PowerSchool, including notification & tasks, advanced reporting, Lesson Planner, PowerBuddy AI, MyPowerHub, School Messenger Performance Matters Assessment and more!

## **Day 2 – Session Descriptions (3 HOUR SESSIONS)**

### **eTranscripts Training**

The eTranscript can save your district time and resources. With a few simple clicks, a student's transcript can be sent to multiple North Dakota colleges participating in the eTranscript program, along with the ability to send to any institution which is a member of the National Student Clearinghouse. This workshop will introduce you to the procedure to view, certify, and send a student's eTranscript. Participants will be shown what setup procedures need to be done at each school for eTranscript to function properly. Participants will also be shown how to use the Progress monitoring tool for state scholarships and the access parameters to set for the ND Education Portal within PowerSchool for student/parent access.

### **Everything Contacts**

Want to get started using Contact Management in PowerSchool but not sure where to start? This session will provide you with all the answers from how contacts were created, how to clean them up and how easily it is to run reports and email parents from the admin or teacher portal using Contacts

### **PSCB Custom Reports & Customizations (Show & Tell)**

In this session we will show users the PSCB Customizations and Reports that have been added to your PS sites. There are approx. 220 different reports and approx. 20 customizations available for you to use and these are already in your PowerSchool sites. These customizations appear on admin, student, teacher, and parent pages and are updated periodically. We will also look at the new PSCB website to find new customizations and updates to existing ones.

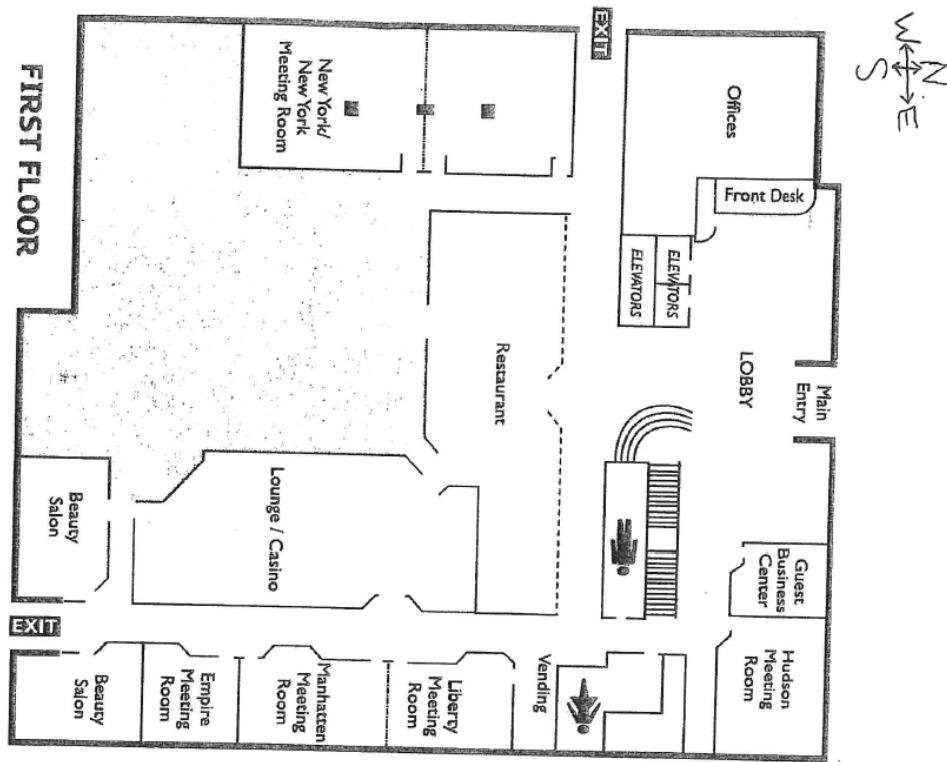
### **Standards Implementation**

Standards education in schools is an exciting trend in assessing student progress in today's modern schools. PowerSchool provides an easy way for schools to keep track of student's progress on standards and other measures. Teachers can continue to use traditional grading measures on assignments such as evaluating by percentage, points, and letter grades, while still being able to address district standards and benchmarks based on a standard's Grade Scale. For each and every assignment/task a teacher creates in the gradebook, they can associate an unlimited number of related standards. Having the standards in PowerTeacher Pro helps the teacher align classroom assignments/tasks to standards. PowerTeacher Pro gradebook is able to calculate a final standards mark. When a single standard is assessed in more than one course, PowerSchool can also report on the average grade or highest grade that the student received on the standard. Come join us to learn more about the process of setting standards up in our schools.

### **What's New in PowerSchool? / Advanced Reports / PowerSchool Notifications Deep Dive**

Presented by Jason Springel, Solution Strategy Director for PowerSchool. Each topic will be one hour in length during this three-hour session.

# PDF of Radisson Floor Plan



Radisson Hotel, Bismarck, ND  
2nd Floor

