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Automated Data Transfer (ADT) Initiative

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What is ADT?

ADT stands for Automated Data Transfer. It's a tool that can create a bridge between OSSE and your student information system (SIS).

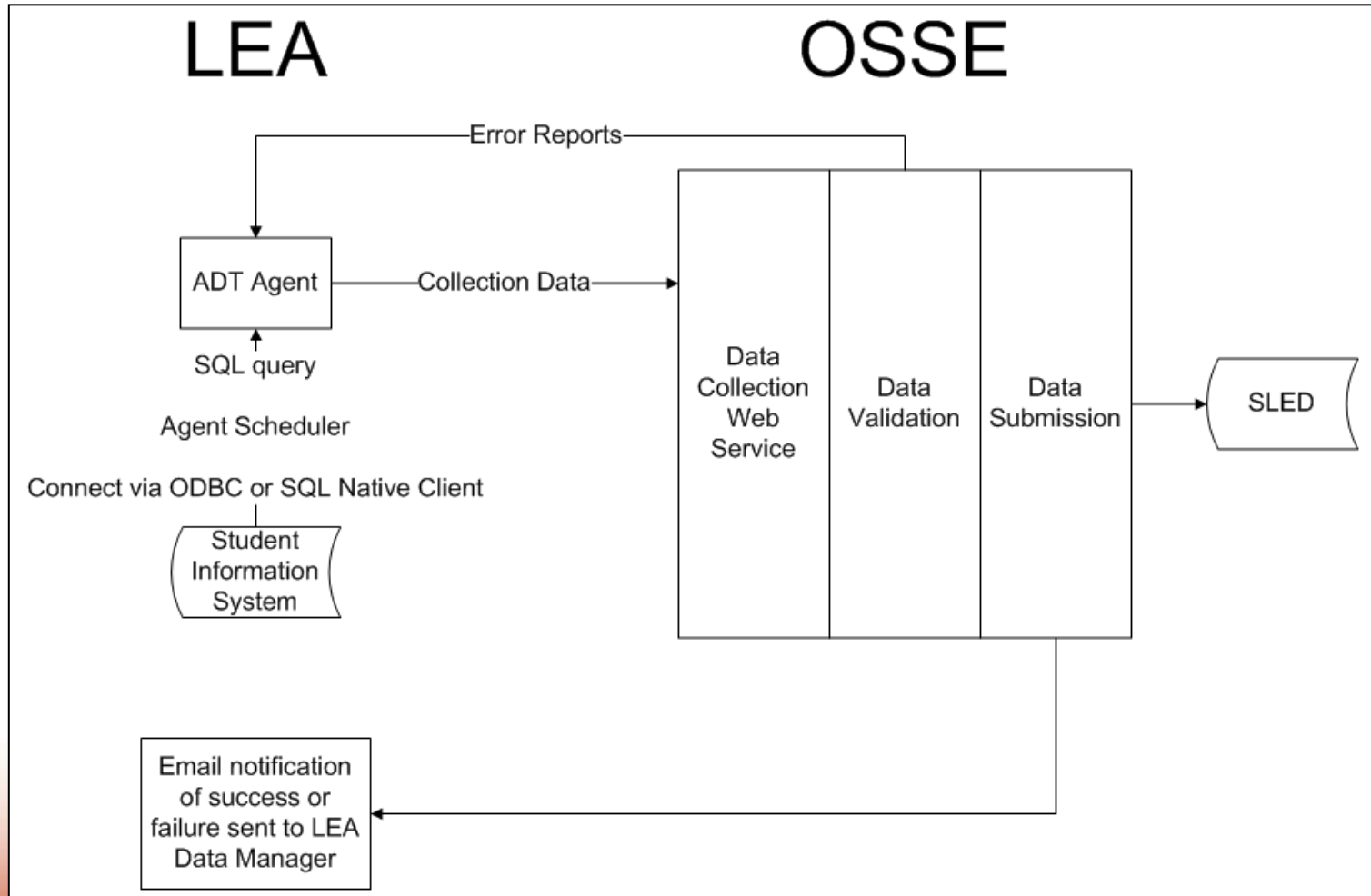
ADT can, on a schedule that you set, pass a specific set of data to OSSE.

How does ADT collect data?

- OSSE staff establish a direct connection via ADT and your SIS when ADT is installed.
- Through a stored set of SQL commands, ADT will communicate with your SIS database, pull data specific to each collection (e.g. student demographics), and pass it to OSSE servers on the schedule that you specify, or when you manually execute a collection.
- You can view these SQL commands at any time through ADT.



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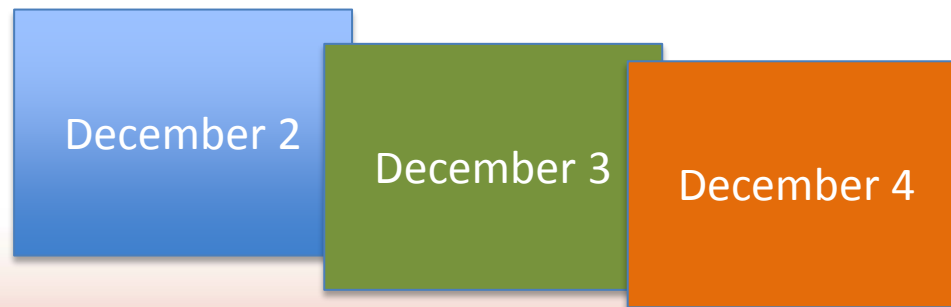




FAQ

Question: How will daily data transfers be captured?

Answer: The most recent file is recognized by OSSE systems.





FAQs

Question: Do I need a SIF to support the ADT?

Answer: No. The ADT is a direct connection with your SIS, and does not require a SIF (Schools Interoperability Framework).

FAQs

Question: Will my LEA face any additional challenges if we use a less common SIS?

Answer: The ADT's only requirement is a connection with your SIS's database. We will work with your LEA and meet these requirements on a case-by-case basis.



What Can ADT Collect?

ADT can collect data from your student information system (SIS). OSSE is now collecting the following data via the ADT pilot:

- Enrollment
- Demographics

As we continue to use the ADT throughout DC, data collection can potentially extend to:

- Attendance
- Discipline
- Limited English Proficiency

OSSE hopes to streamline data collection with this app. All collections will comply with state and federal reporting requirements.



Automated Data Collections

Select start time and date of collection, and data will be transferred automatically on one of the following schedules:

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly

The screenshot shows a 'Schedule' dialog box with the following elements:

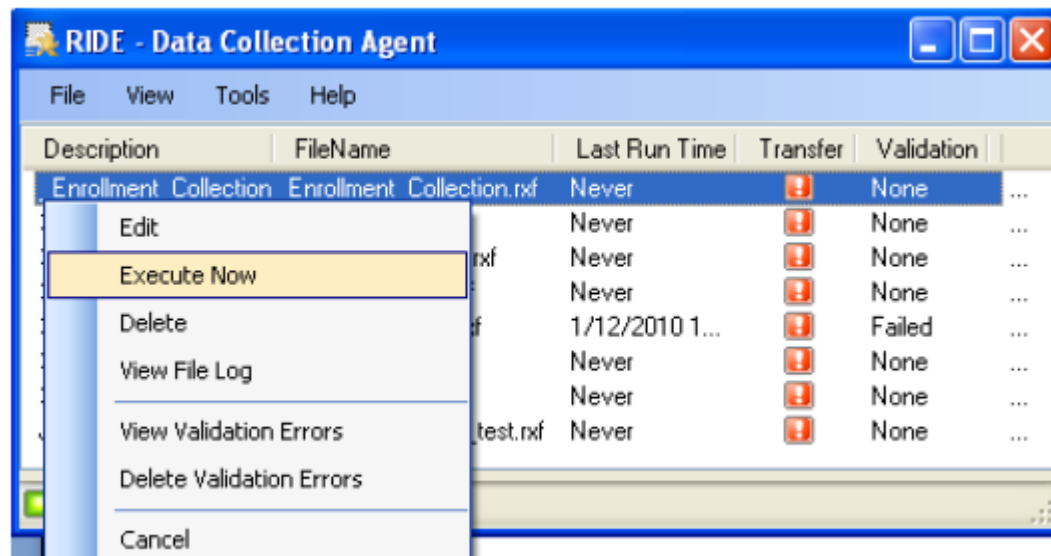
- Schedule** (Section Header)
- Perform this task:** (Label)
- Never
- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Start time:** (Label)
- 12:00 PM (Value in a time picker)
- Start date:** (Label)
- Monday, January 11, 2010 (Value in a date picker)



Manual Data Collections

You can also run collections manually.

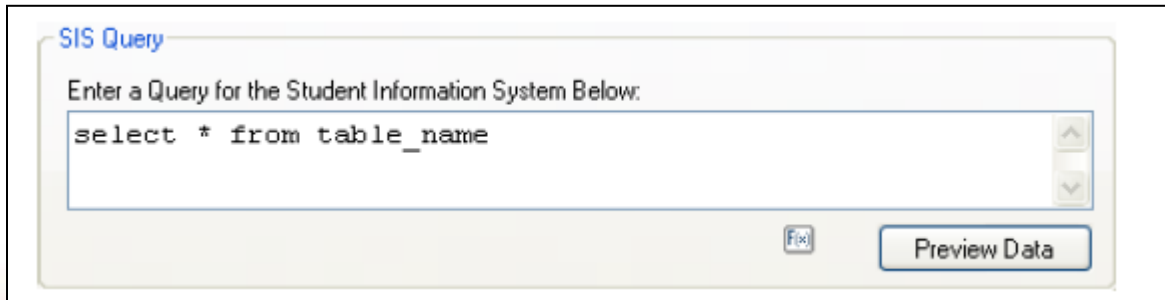
Once collections have been loaded into ADT, staff can run collections with a single click. Staff must decide to execute a collection and do so in ADT in order for data to be sent from your SIS to OSSE.



Changing Data Collections in ADT

OSSE staff have built data collection templates that comply with both state and federal (EdFacts) reporting requirements.

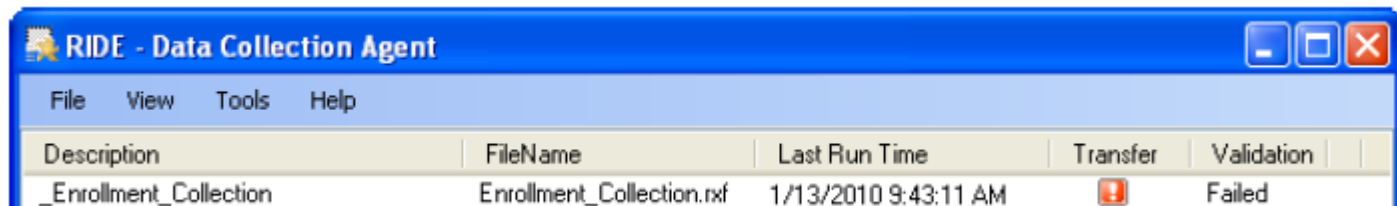
We have written SQL queries in ADT to pull this data. These queries are accessible to your team at all times in ADT.



The screenshot shows a web interface for entering an SQL query. At the top left, the text "SIS Query" is displayed in blue. Below it, the instruction "Enter a Query for the Student Information System Below:" is shown. A text input field contains the SQL query: `select * from table_name`. To the right of the input field are two small vertical arrows (up and down) for scrolling. At the bottom right of the interface, there is a small "Fix" icon and a button labeled "Preview Data".



Resolving Data Validation Issues with ADT



The screenshot shows a window titled "RIDE - Data Collection Agent" with a menu bar (File, View, Tools, Help) and a table of data collection results. The table has five columns: Description, FileName, Last Run Time, Transfer, and Validation. One row is visible, showing a failed validation for an enrollment collection file.

Description	FileName	Last Run Time	Transfer	Validation
_Enrollment_Collection	Enrollment_Collection.rxf	1/13/2010 9:43:11 AM		Failed

ADT will allow you to view issues with a data transfer as soon as they have occurred. You can adjust student data, and resend the collection immediately, or wait for your next scheduled data transfer.



FAQ

Question: What's the process for correct errors in student records (e.g. duplicate submissions, incorrect USIs, change in last name) once we start using the ADT?

Answer: Correct the errors in your SIS, and the ADT will transfer the updated information to SLED.

Who is using ADT (and does it work)?

ADT was developed for the Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE). ADT has been used successfully by RIDE for the past three years.



OSSE adapted the RIDE ADT for DC's needs. Maya Angelou PCS, Community Academy PCS, and Excel Academy PCS are currently piloting ADT.



Maya Angelou Academy at New Beginnings can now view enrollment and demographic data in SLED.



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