# Get BC High School Transcripts Faster: A Collaborative Approach

A presentation by EducationPlannerBC Transcript Services Reference Group – Working Group for the XML High School Transcript

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# Today's Presentation

- 1. Welcome & Introductions
- 2. Overview of the XML High School Project
- 3. TSRG Working Group XML High School Transcript
- 4. Process Flows
- Round table discussion Douglas, Langara, and Vancouver Island University
- 6. Preparing Your Institution



# Why XML High School Transcripts?

Students will be able to:

- ☑ Request electronic transcripts at any time
- ✓ Track status and processing
- Authorize updates for interim and final marks
- Respond to PSI transcript requests for missing transcripts



# Why XML High School Transcripts?

#### PSIs will be able to:

- ☑ Receive official electronic high school transcripts when required
- ☑ Eliminate or reduce reliance on self reported grades
- ✓ Eliminate manual processes to receive updates
- ✓ Process applications and admission decisions more effectively
- ✓ Request automated updates



# Why XML High School Transcripts?

EducationPlannerBC Transcript Services will be able to:

- Receive official electronic high school transcripts from the Ministry of Education and provide these via Transcript Services technical delivery system to the designated post-secondary institutions
- ✓ Support the provision of XML High School transcripts using the same Transcript Services technical delivery system as for XML post-secondary transcripts
- Enable the flow of XML transcript request documents for XML high school transcript updates using Transcript Services technical infrastructure



#### EducationPlannerBC Transcript Services

#### Post-secondary transcript exchange in BC

- Exchanging PESC XML post-secondary transcripts since 2012
- Seven partner institutions in production and two in testing
- Development underway on an XML transcript capability with the Colleague institutions

Working with the Ministry of Education on the XML High School transcript with the EducationPlannerBC Transcript Services Reference Group – Working Group for the XML High School Transcript



# **Building the Solution**

Ministry of Education (EDUC) is modernizing its whole student data infrastructure, including a web-based StudentTranscripts Student

service portal.

Features include:

Secure PDF official transcript distribution

on-line access to their transcript

Enhanced student

control and privacy

XML high school transcript option for PSIs

Continued support for **PSI** selections & existing batch electronic transcript distribution

Automated

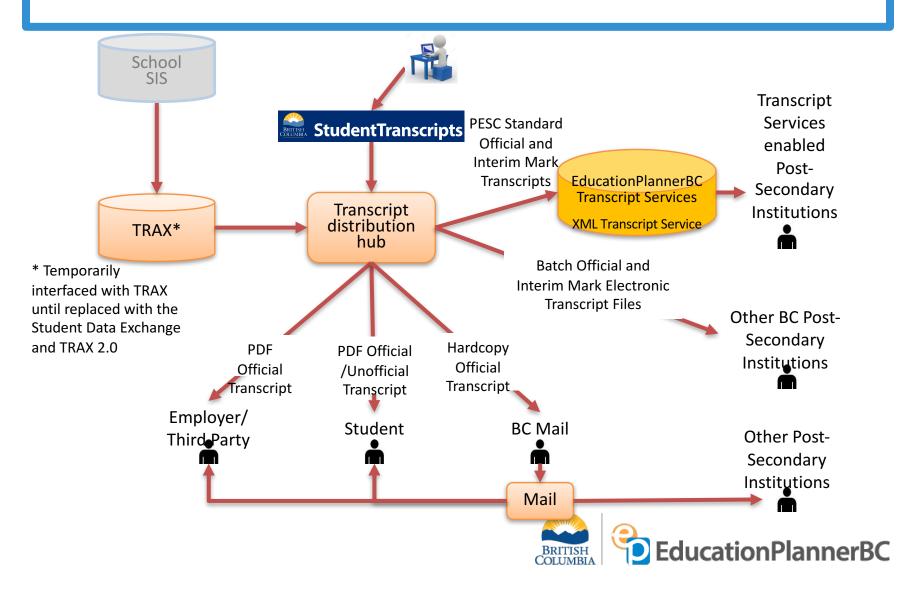
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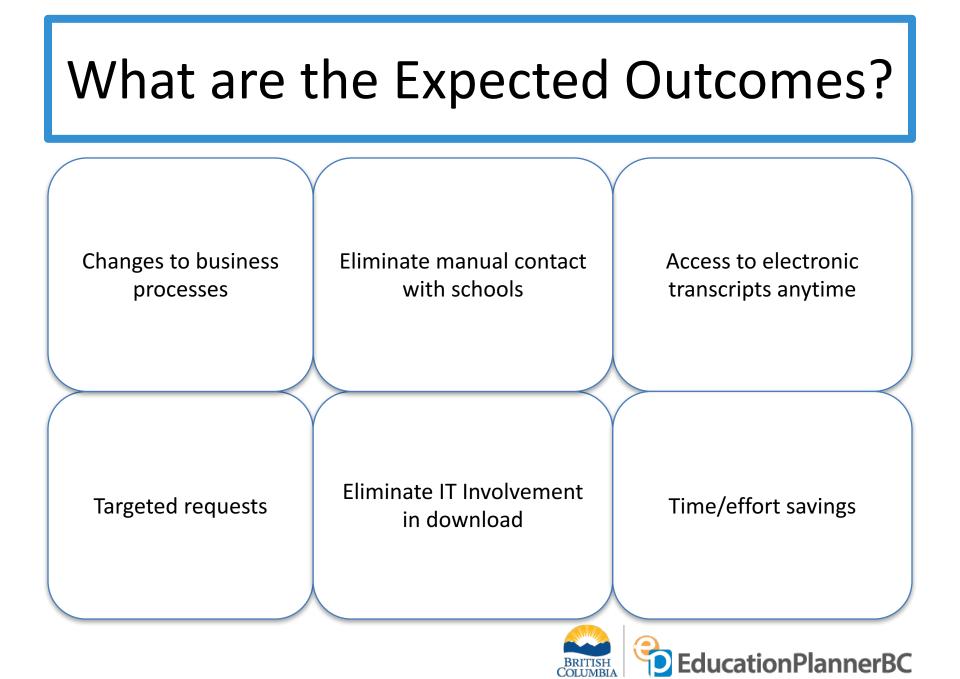
requests

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#### StudentTranscripts Service





# TSRG Working Group XML High School Transcript

Convened TSRG WG July 2016

CNC, Douglas, Langara, Okanagan, SFU,VIU, EDUC, AVED/EPBC & EducationPlannerBC Transcript Services

Members:

Goals:

Meet regularly

Develop Sending/Receiving Requirements Conduct Pilot Project Share Results and Recommendations Member SISs: XML-enabled and Non-enabled

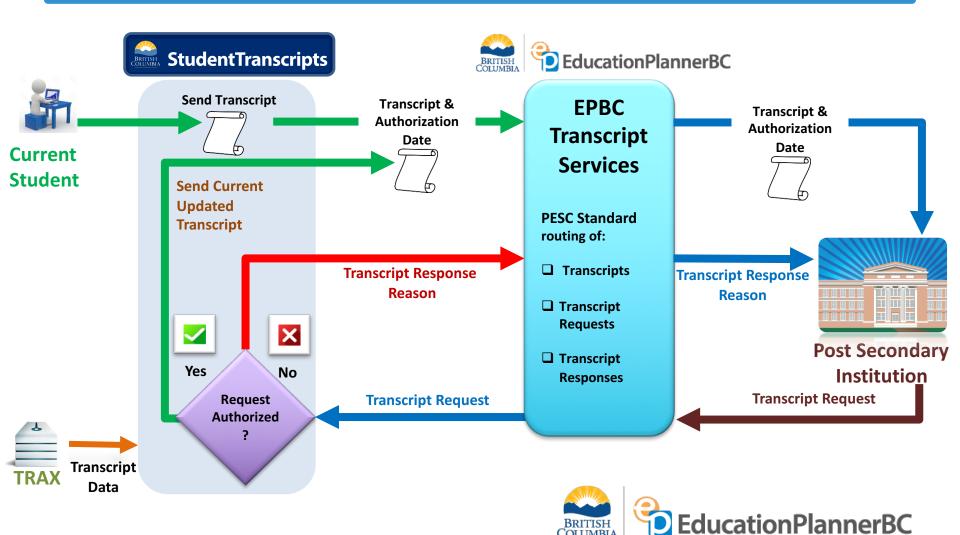
**Key Processes:** 

Flow between EDUC, PSIs & EducationPlannerBC Transcript Services; Student transcript request process; & PSI request transcript updates **Timelines Anticipated:** 

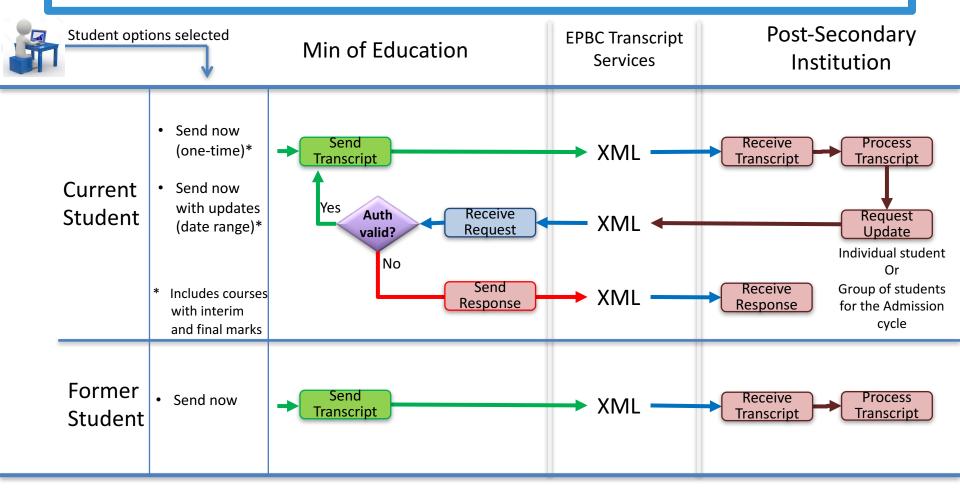
Phase 1 – Inbound receiving late Fall 2016 Phase 2 – Request Updates Spring 2017 Pilot Completion - Late Spring 2017



### **Process Flows**



#### **Options for Current and Former Students**





### Round Table Discussion: PSI View

# **Douglas College**

### Langara College

### Vancouver Island University



## **Preparing Your Institution**

☑ Follow updates from TSRG Working Group

- ☑ Get post-secondary XML transcripts sending/receiving in place (Banner SIS solution underway; Colleague SIS solution will be underway following post-secondary XML transcript implementation)
- ☑ Other SIS Institutions: Review the *Technical Specifications Guide for XML High School Transcript* document and associated appendices
- ☑ Involve your IT teams to better understand existing processes for matching transcripts to student applications
- ☑ Work with the EducationPlannerBC Transcript Services team and pilot PSIs to identify changes required for your processes and systems
- ☑ Start planning now for implementation



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