SA-SAMS: What is new on 22.0.0

Back ground

The South African School Administration and Management System (SA-SAMS), is designed for the South African Education Sector and is maintained by the Department of Basic Education (DBE) as mandated. The application aims to assist schools with their own data administration and reporting by reducing recapturing and saving time and resources. SA-SAMS is also policy driven standardising policy implementation and reporting across all provinces and is a source of data that assist with monitoring and support. As per all departmental applications it is supplied to schools free of charge.

Currently data from SA-SAMS is used for Gr 12 NCS registration, reporting to Treasury to inform the Provincial equitable share of the National Budget etc and require therefor strict data validation rules built on the system that are aligned to the POPIA.

Development and release business processes :

SA-SAMS as a national application follows strict governance processes with its updated releases.

- It is updated quarterly with requests received from users and various policy owners. Changes are only included after being tabled at the National EMIS Technical Committee with membership from all EMIS provinces for recommendation.
- **The new version is only released after being tested by 8 Provincial EMIS sections as well as the relevant policy owners (e.g. Subject Specialists, Exams etc) as this has an effect on SBA marks supplied to NCS at the end of the year.**

Version 22.0.0 was unfortunately delayed following due processes.
The changes and implementation are also audited by Internal Audit Services and annually by the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) as part of the audits of national systems.

Changes on Release 22.0.0 & what schools must do:

Description	Screen	What is new / changed	Action by the school
1. Curriculum 2022	12.3.11	• Curriculum 2022 included	• Schools to verify the POA for all subjects (12.3.11), then capture marks (12.3.12) , approve achievements (12.7.18) and generate quarterly schedules (12.9.15.7) and reports (12.7.19).
2. Schools contact details recaptured	1.1	• Contact details cleared for recapturing	• On 1.1 recapture correct contact numbers. AGSA and DBE officials reported outdated contact numbers. Schools to recapture the contact numbers.
3. Quarterly Schedule to show separate languages	12.9.15.7	• Update Quarterly Schedule 12.9.15.7 separate languages	• Schools generate and print schedules.
4. Amend NSC registration form	3.3.1	NCS registration for updated - Identify fulltime repeaters - Option to choose the parent or learner address - Approval to use data	• Schools to update the registration form with new requirement if applicable.

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Kind Regards
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