

## UNIT RECORD REPORT

# Submitting the 2013-14 Report Via the Portal

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## **Purpose of Unit Record Report**

- Provide institutional reports and profiles
- Assess the needs of students
- Guide legislative and other policy decisions
- Inform changes to state aid programs
- Minimize ad hoc data requests to institutions



#### **Timeline**

## URR Manual now available electronically http://www.wsac.wa.gov/unit-record

**August 15:** Unit Record Report (URR) application available

October 10: Finalized report due

October/November: WSAC analysis

**December:** Reports to policy makers

January: Institutional profiles available



#### **Manual Overview**

- Introduction
  - Overview, purpose, changes, and timeline
- Chapter 1 General Instructions
- Chapter 2 Data Definitions
- Chapter 3 Reporting Application User's Guide
- Appendices



#### **Manual Overview**

#### Appendices

- A Need-Based and Non-Need Based Program Recipients to Report
- B Record Layout File Format and Valid Inputs
- C System Edits that Prevent File Upload & Import
- D Quick Lookup by Financial Aid Program
- E Quick Lookup by Unit Record Report Field Name
- F Information for Institutions New to the URR Portal Application



#### Portal CSV File Submission

## Building a CSV file for submission

- Report only students who received financial aid based on the 2013-14 FAFSA year
- Report files in CSV format with a header row
- Review the field definitions in Chapter 2 of the manual and the record layout in Appendices B and C to determine valid field content



#### Determine which students to report

- Need-Based Recipients 2013-14 FAFSA required
- Need-Based Aid Recipients other programs where FAFSA data may or may not be available
- Non-Need Based Loan Federal Loan Recipients (i.e. Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loans, Federal Parent PLUS Loans and Federal Grad PLUS Loans)

Appendix A in the Manual details these categories



#### Need-Based Recipients

- Intent is to capture all financial aid disbursements in a Unit Record Report
- Report this year all financial aid received based on filing of the 2013-14 FAFSA
- Report on next year's URR all financial aid received based on the 2014-15 FAFSA



## **Programs to Report**

#### Need-Based Recipients – FAFSA fields required

- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal SEOG
- Federal Work Study
- Federal Perkins Loan
- Federal Direct Subsidized Loan
- State Need Grant
- College Bound Scholarship
- Passport to College Scholarship
- State Work Study (On- and Off-Campus)
- Need-Based Institutional Gift Aid



## Programs to Report (continued)

#### Need-Based Recipients – Other Programs

- Federal TEACH Grant
- Federal Health Professional Scholarships and Grants
- Federal Health Professional Loans
- GET Ready for Math & Science
- Opportunity Scholarship
- SBCTC Opportunity Grant
- Other State Funded Assistance
- Worker Retraining Program Funds
- Need Based Institutional Gift Aid
- Institutional Employment (if need based)



## Programs to Report (continued)

#### Federal Non-Need Based Loan Recipients

- Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan
- Federal Parent PLUS Loan
- Federal Grad PLUS Loan

Note: For any of these loan recipients you report who are not also receiving need-based assistance, the information you report will be minimal.



- Refer to Page iii
- Field Rule Changes
  - First Name Required for each student
  - Middle Name Provide if available (middle initials are okay too if full name not available)
  - Gender Now required; New code '3' or 'Unknown' (not permissible for FAFSA filers)



## Valid Input Range Changes

Category	Old Value	New Value
Family Income	-100000 to 350000	- 200000 to 500000
Cost of Attendance	0 to 99999	0 to 200000
Expected Family Contribution	0 to 99999	0 to 200000
Need Amount	0 to 99999	0 to 200000
Federal Pell Grant	0 to 5550	0 to 5650
Direct Subsidized Loans	0 to 8500	0 to 17000
SBCTC Opportunity Grant	No maximum	0 to 10000



#### Field Definition Expansion

- Institution Student ID Report first characters as:
  - Public baccalaureates 9-character PCHEES number
    - Required but overrideable
  - CTCs 9-character college-assigned SID number
    - Required but overrideable
  - Private Institutions may provide or leave blank
  - Federal Nursing Scholarships Report Federal scholarships and grants for other health professional training here
  - Federal Nursing Health Loans Report any other Federal health professions student loan funds here
  - Passport to College Scholarship Program If incentive grants were provided to students as additional scholarships, add amount to this award



#### Field Definition Expansion (continued)

- Year in School:
  - Code '1' or 'Freshman/1<sup>st</sup> Year' Do not include
     100 level remedial courses in credit hours
  - Code '3' or 'Junior/3<sup>rd</sup> Year' Include first year applied baccalaureate students who already have an associate's degree
  - Code '4' or 'Senior/4<sup>th</sup> Year' Include second year applied baccalaureate students who already have an associate's degree
  - Code '5' or 'Unclassified/5<sup>th</sup> Year' Include those working on a 2<sup>nd</sup> bachelors and students with a bachelors who are getting an associate's degree



#### For all financial aid recipients reported

- Fields required:
  - SSN
  - Is State Resident
  - Year In School
  - Financial Aid per term even if '0'

- First Name
- Last Name
- Gender
- Enrollment Status per term
- Report Financial Aid for each of five terms
- Report Enrollment Status for each of five terms
- Report non-need based aid received for all need-based recipients



- CSV file requires header row (sample is available)
- Financial aid reported on for each of five terms:
  - Summer 1 (used primarily for leader/header awards)
  - Fall
  - Winter (semester schools to report as zeros '0')
  - Spring
  - Summer 2 (used primarily for trailer awards)



#### When to include summer aid in your reporting

- Review Chapter 2 of manual for detailed information
- Summer aid to be reported are the amounts received based on the 2013-14 FAFSA submission
- In general:
  - Leader/Header schools to report Summer 1 aid
     (Summer 2 should be reported as '0' aid received)
  - Trailer schools to report Summer 2 aid (Summer 1 should be reported as '0' aid received)
- If a recipient was enrolled for more than one summer term (in the same summer), report the total amount received and the enrollment status for the student's full summer enrollment



#### **FAFSA Related Fields**

## Fields to also report for 2013-14 FAFSA filers

- Marital Status
- Is Dependent
- Family Size
- Number in College
- Family Income
- Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
- Cost of Attendance (COA)
- Need Duration
- Need Amount



# SPECIAL NOTES ABOUT SELECTED FIELDS



## **Social Security Numbers**

- Duplicates are not accepted
  - Files containing duplicate SSNs will not upload
- SSNs of State Need Grant and College Bound Scholarship recipients will be compared to the SSNs reported in the SNG/CBS July final interim report
- Discrepancies will show on edit reports



#### **Year in School**

- Do not automatically use the Year in School reported on FAFSA
- Report the highest Year in School for which the student attended when the student's financial aid was disbursed



## **Family Information**

## Family Size

- Generally reported from the FAFSA
- Must be 2 or higher for dependent students
- Must be 1 or higher for independent students

## Number in College

- Must be 1 or higher
- Cannot exceed the Family Size
- Parents' enrollment in college should not be included unless it was a professional judgment



## Family Income

- Report the Family Income (taxable and untaxed) based on a review of the 2013-14 FAFSA
  - Often will be the 2012 income from FAFSA
  - If a professional judgment decision was made, report that income
  - Report integers without dollar signs or cents (e.g. 44010 and -10123)
  - The only place in the file where negative numbers can be used



## **Expected Family Contribution**

- Report the Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
  - Often will be the Federal Methodology calculation produced by U.S. Department of Education based on the 2013-14 FAFSA
  - May be adjusted by professional judgment decisions
  - Should reflect the number of months reported in Need Duration



#### **Cost of Attendance**

- Most campuses use several student budgets to reflect changes in living expenses
- Report the student budget amount related to Need Amount
- Should be based on the number of months reported in Need Duration



#### **Need Amount**

#### Cost of Attendance

- Expected Family Contribution
- = Need Amount
- All three items above should be based on the number of months reported in Need Duration
- For Need Amount, report the amount used in the disbursement of aid
- Need Amount should be reported as '0' or higher (do not report negative values)



#### **Need Duration**

- Report Need Duration based on the number of months for which the Need Amount and Cost of Attendance were reported
- Normally report as integers from 1-12



## **Term Enrollment Status**

Undergraduate Enrollment Status	Credits	Scheduled Clock Hours	URR Codes
Not Enrolled	n/a	n/a	'0' or 'Not enrolled'
Full-Time	12 or more	300 or more	'1' or 'Full time'
Half-Time	6 - 8	150 – 224	'2' or 'Half time'
Three-Quarter	9 - 11	225 – 299	'3' or '3/4 time'
Less Than Half-Time	Less than 6	Less than 150	'5' or '< Half time'



## **Reporting Term Enrollment**

#### **Approximate Term Date Ranges for Clock-Hour Institutions**

Term	From	То
Summer 1	Beginning of July 2013	First Half of September 2013
Fall	First Half of September 2013	Last Half of November 2013
Winter	Last Half of November 2013	First Half of February 2014
Spring	First Half of February 2014	Last Half of April 2014
Summer 2	Last Half of April 2014	End of June 2014



#### **State Need Grant**

- Report the final awards received by the student
- The Unit Record Reporting tool checks against SNG Final Interim Report - <u>critical</u>
- Review the "SNG Students Not Reported" report to verify all SNG recipients and awards are correctly reported



## College Bound Scholarship

- Report the final awards received by the student
- The Unit Record Reporting tool checks against SNG Final Interim Report - <u>critical</u>
- Review the "College Bound Scholarship Not Reported" report to verify College Bound recipients and awards are correctly reported



## **State Work Study**

- Separate on-campus & off-campus employment
- Report students' total gross earnings, which includes employer match
- Include summer employment
- Report either:
  - Actual gross earnings based upon monthly cutoff dates or institutional payroll dates
  - Average gross term earnings over the academic year for all terms student was enrolled at least half-time



#### **Institutional Gift Aid**

- Report Institutional Gift Aid as either:
  - Need-Based Institutional Gift Aid all institutional grants, scholarships and or waivers awarded solely or partially on a review of the 2013-14 FAFSA
  - Non-Need Based Institutional Gift Aid all institutional grants, scholarships and or waivers awarded without regard to the FAFSA



# Other State Funded Gift Assistance

- Report sources of state aid not reported elsewhere. Examples include:
  - American Indian Endowment Scholarship
  - GEAR UP
  - Washington Scholars
  - Washington Award for Vocational Excellence (WAVE)



# **EDITS**



#### **Edits to Ensure Data Quality**

- Edits help ensure data quality
- Edits are "softened" for students receiving only Non-Need Based Federal Loans
- FAFSA related edits are also "softened" for students not receiving FAFSA required aid types



#### **Edits that Prevent File Upload**

Refer to Appendix C (page 36) in the manual

Examples of errors that prevent upload

- Header row missing or invalid
- Duplicate SSNs
- Invalid codes
- Blanks reported in required fields

Be sure to review all 12 items!



# Non-Overrideable Edit Examples Non-Overrideable Figure 1. Opportunity - RESULTS

- Refer to Appendix C (page 37) in the manual
  - No financial aid reported
  - Non-resident with SNG or other state aid
  - Number in College greater than Family Size



#### Overrideable Edit Examples

- Refer to Appendix C (pages 37- 38) Field content
  - Need Amount is Zero with Need-Based Aid
    - Budget changed with dropped credits
  - Year in School for Aid Type (Federal Grad PLUS Loan)
    - Student graduated mid year
  - Date of Birth outside of normal range
  - Cost of Attendance minus Expected Family
     Contribution (calculated by the edit program) does
     not equal Need Amount reported by the college



#### **Tips and Best Practices**

- Upload your CSV file early don't wait until the submission deadline!
- Review the manual and training materials, and test upload using the Portal training environment:

https://fortress.wa.gov/wsac/portaltraining/

(Data entered is temporary; info clears overnight)

- Use the URR informational reports to check for consistency & validity
- CTCs Review SBCTC documentation
- Contact us with questions or problems not addressed in the manual

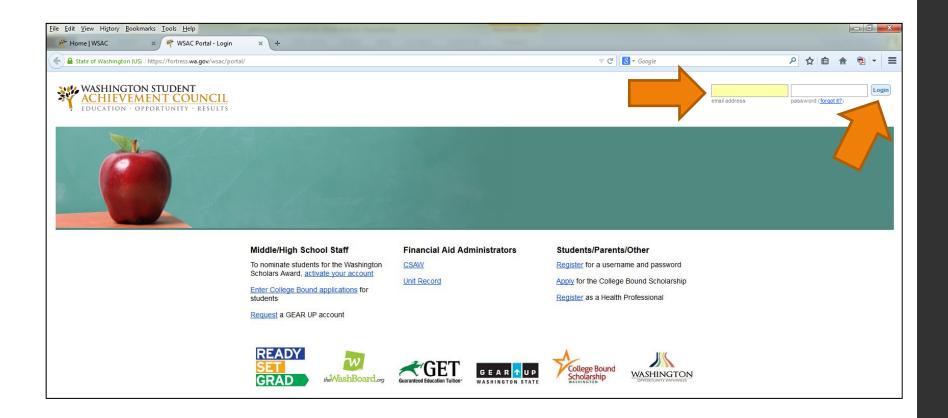


# USING THE WEB APPLICATION



#### **Logon to the Portal**

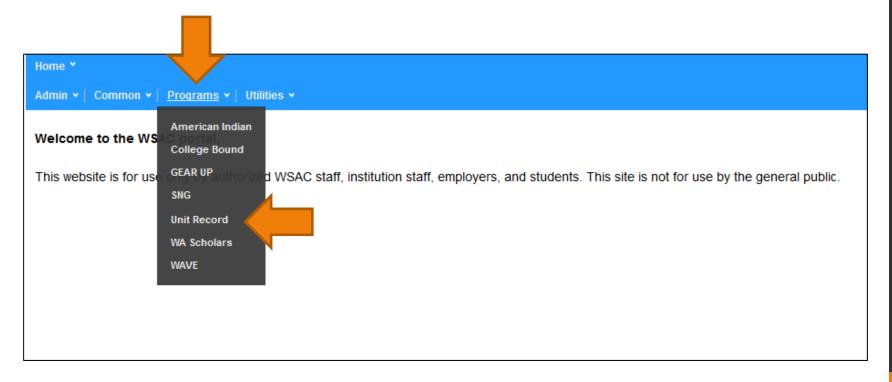
https://fortress.wa.gov/wsac/portal/





#### **URR Portal Submission Tool**

#### In the Programs menu, click on Unit Record.





#### **URR Portal Submission Tool**

#### Welcome to the Unit Record Warehouse!

#### The Process:

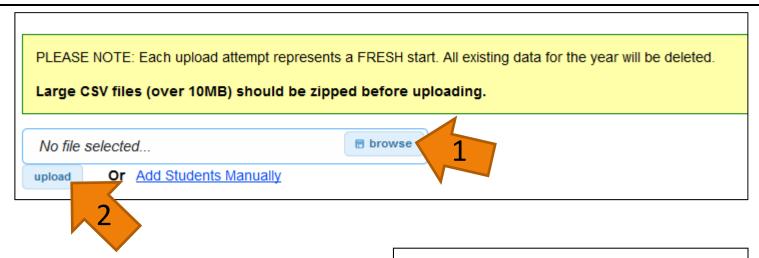
- 1. Upload your student data file
- 2. Address any errors in the data and override as necessary
- 3. Optionally review or add individual student records
- 4. When the data is complete, review and submit the report

Next: Proceed to Upload

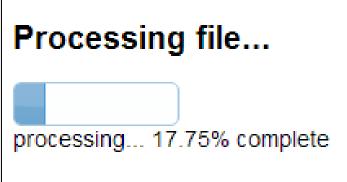
- The welcome screen will appear on your first login.
- From the welcome screen, click on "Next: Proceed to Upload."
- If logging in after URR data has been entered, you will be taken directly to the current step: "Ready to Begin," "In Progress," or "Submitted."



## **Uploading Data From File**



- 1. Select a CSV file.
- 2. Upload.

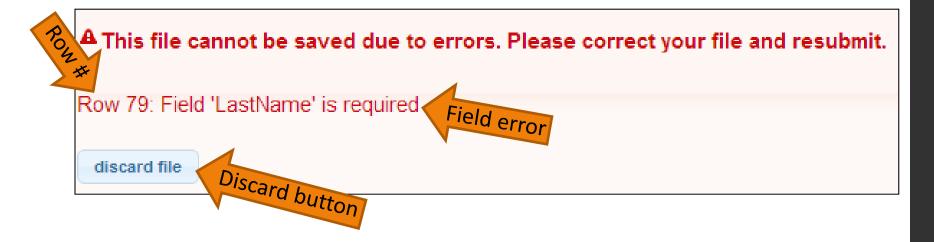


A progress bar allows users to see how much of the file has been reviewed for upload errors.



## **Uploading Data From File**

Error message(s) appear if the file fails the upload process.



Discard the file, correct the error, and re-upload.



## **Uploading Data From File**

Once the file upload is complete, verify the total number of students and the number of students by year in school.

Proceed to Edits.

#### File Upload Complete! Press 'Proceed to Edits' if the uploaded data appears to be correct. Otherwise, press 'Discard Upload' to start again. **Proceed to Edits** Discard Upload Total Student Rows 457 Class Counts -Freshman/1st Year 25 Sophmore/2nd Year Junior/3rd Year 42 Senior/4th Year 191 Graduate 169 Other



This may take awhile. Edits can be fixed while the Portal reviews remaining records for edits. Periodically click "Refresh."



We're currently processing your edits. You may work on resolving edits as we process them. You can also leave this page or log out and come back when processing is complete.

Alternatively, we can email you a csy download of all your edits once processing completes.

#### Unit Record Edits

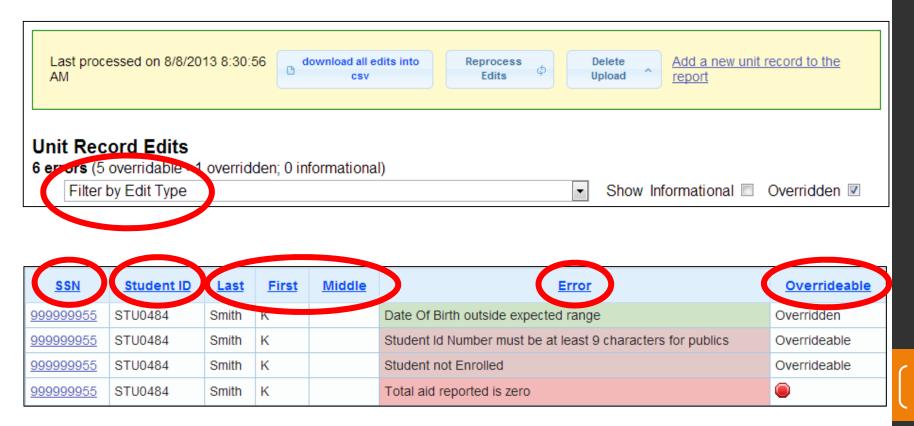
Showing results 1 - 4 of 4



<u>ssn</u>	Student ID	<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	Middle	<u>Error</u>	Overridable
999999559	Stu0484	Smith	Α		Student not Enrolled	Overrideable
999999560	Stu0483	Johnson	D	D	College Bound Scholarship award not found in WSAC records	Overrideable



Filter by Edit Type or Sort by SSN, Student ID, Name, Error message or Overrideable.



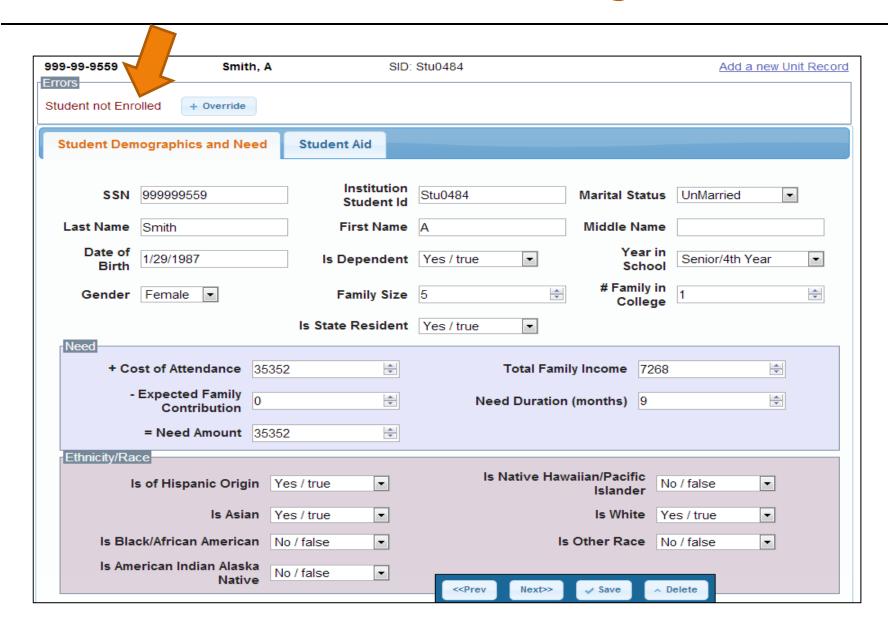


The file cannot be submitted until all Non-Overrideable edits are fixed and all Overrideable edits are fixed or overridden with a reason.

To override or edit student data, click on student's SSN to open the student record.

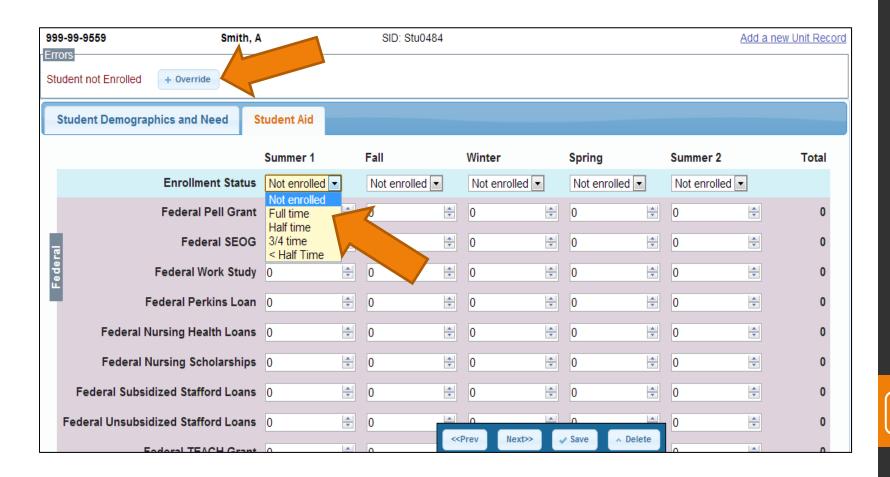
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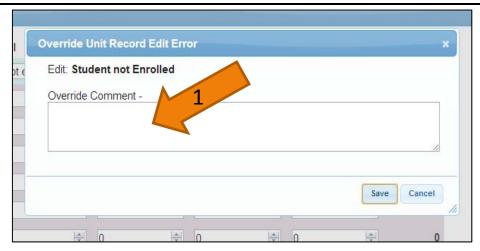


#### Edit the data or override with a reason.

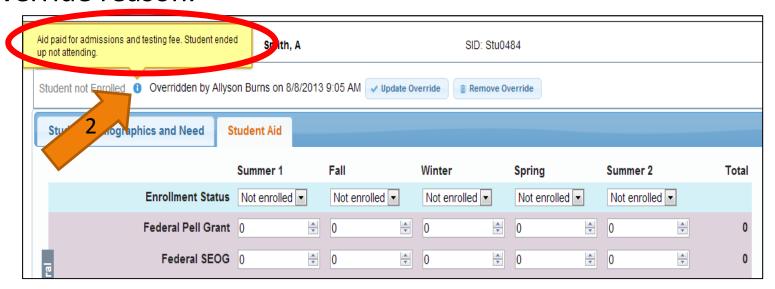




1. If overriding, enter reason in the pop-up box.



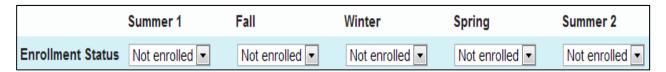
2. Hover mouse over the information icon to review the override reason.





#### **Student Aid Screen**

All aid must be reported by term. If the term is not applicable at the school, report "Not enrolled" and "0" funding (typically).



Federal Pell Grant
Federal SEOG
Federal Work Study
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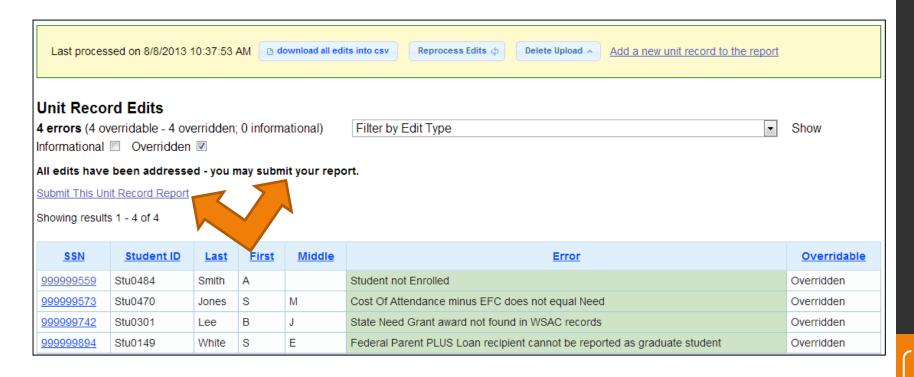
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Other State Funded Gift Assistance
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Need Based Institutional Gift Aid
Non-Need Based Institutional Gift Aid
Institutional Employment
Other Agency Assistance
Other Loans
Conditional Loans
Institutional Loans
Institutional Loans



## **Submitting Report**

When all errors have been fixed or overridden, "Submit This Unit Record Report" will show.





## **Submitting Report**

Review data summary.

Click "Submit Unit Record Report"

Congratulations, your report can now be submitted to	the Washington Student Achievement Council
Submit Unit Record Report A OR- Delete Upload A Add a	new unit record to the report
Unit Record Report Information for School Na	ame - 2012-2013
Total Student Records in the Report 457	
Total Edit Messages Present 4	
Overrideable/Overridden: 4	
Informational: 0	



#### Where to go for help

Review the manual, available online at:

http://www.wsac.wa.gov/unit-record

 Contact Washington Student Achievement Council staff at <u>unitrecord@wsac.wa.gov</u>

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