

Committing the Master Schedule

If you use PowerScheduler to create a master schedule, you should commit your master schedule after the current school year has ended, but before the End-of-Year Process is run.

When your schedule is as good as it can possibly be **and school is no longer in session**, commit the master schedule. When you commit a master schedule, it replaces any existing master schedule for the new school year.

When a master schedule is committed, course information, including credit hours, is retrieved from the **district** level in PowerSchool.

Years and Terms:

- **In the NEW SCHOOL YEAR** term, to ensure that attendance is set up properly, your "live side" **Years and Terms** should be created **before committing** your schedule in PowerScheduler.
- **Make sure that all starting & ending dates for the new year terms match EXACTLY those in PowerScheduler!**
- Create all terms on the Live side that are set up in PowerScheduler.
- Be sure to **leave no gaps** between ending and starting term dates!
- Be sure to populate the **Import File Term** # box for each term. (correct value is shown beneath this box)
- (If corrections to term dates are necessary, NOW is the time to correct the dates on both the Live side for next year and in PowerScheduler!)

Days:

- To ensure that the commit processes successfully, make sure that the **Days** on the Live Side (New School Year) exactly match the Days in PowerScheduler!! Compare the "Name" and "Abbreviation" fields and adjust if necessary so that they match.

Calendar:

- On the Live Side, in the New School Year, go to School > Calendar Setup and set up at least 1 day in each term. **OR**
 - Run the Automated Calendar Setup

How to Commit the Master Schedule

1. **On the start page**, choose **PowerScheduler** from the Start Page. The Scheduling page appears.
2. Under Processing, choose **Commit**. The Commit Master Schedule page appears.
3. Select which schedules to copy:
 - Sections Only:** Select this option to commit only sections.
 - Student Schedules Only:** Select this option to commit only student schedules.
 - Sections & Student Schedules:** Select this option to commit both sections and student schedules.
4. Click **Submit**. The Verify Commit Master Schedule page appears. You will need to click **Submit** again.

5. **Errors:** It is quite likely that messages will appear on the screen such as “Critical Error....Milan Sync Error” and “Resolving differences between ScheduleRoom and Room”...”between ScheduleDepartments and Departments”, and “between ScheduleFacilities and Facilities”. The process should continue to run and when it completes, scroll to the bottom of the page, where you will see, “***Schedule Commit – Complete ***”

NOTE: On the Live side, **for the new school year**, go to Years & Terms and verify that the new school year terms are correct. It WILL be necessary to re-populate the **Import File Term#**, as the Commit blanks those boxes. The valid number will appear beneath the box. (If you do not re-populate the Import File Term number, the sections will have no expressions and the school will have no “Day”.)

6. Next, in your **new school year term**, go to **School > Days** and correct the Name field. The Commit process may change “A” to “A Day”, etc. Change the fields back to what they were before the commit. Once this is done, check some sections to verify that the Expression displays correctly.
7. After the Commit has completed, perform the following steps to verify that the same number of records exist on the Live side as in PowerScheduler:

Live Side, Term set to Full Year for the New School Year:
System > Direct Database Export – DDE:

Current Table = **CC**
Select records that match:
SchoolID = (your school ID)
TermID >= (greater than or equal to) **2600** (next year’s full-year term)

Record the number of CC records selected.

Now change the Current Table to “**Sections**”
Use the same criteria to select records that match your SchoolID and **TermID** >= (greater than or equal to) **2600**.

Record the number of Sections records selected.

Go to **PowerScheduler**. Determine the BuildID for the Active Build: (to identify your Active Scenario, click on “Scenarios”. In the “Status” column, only one will show “Active”.

PowerScheduler > Functions > Update Selections

Current Table: **ScheduleBuilds**
Click on “Select all ___ Records in this school.”
Click on “List View”; look for the active one. Record the **BuildID**.

Change the Current Table to **ScheduleCC**
Select: **BuildID** = (buildID number found in ScheduleBuilds.
Click on: “Search all ___ records in this school”.

Compare the number of records selected to the number found in the CC table.

Change the Current Table to **ScheduleSections**.
Select: **BuildID** = (buildID number found in ScheduleBuilds).
Click on: “Search all ___ records in this school”.

Compare the number of records selected to the number selected in the Sections table.

9. **NOTE:** After processing the “Commit”, you may notice that when you click on the number in the “Enrollment” column for classes, a zero appears for classes that actually have students. To correct this, 2 steps are needed:

- Next, select “System” > Special Operations. Select “Rebuild Schedules and Rosters”.

10. **NOTE 2:** If you run the Master Schedule and select the Matrix View, and see no classes, but they do appear when you select the List View, OR, if you select a section, then click on the enrollment number and a list of students does not appear; OR, if you click on Teacher Schedules, choose a teacher, then click on the value in the Enrollment column and see no students, here is a work-around:

- System > **Special Operations**
- Select “**Reset Section Meetings**”
- In the “Param 1” field, enter: **2016**
- In the “Code” field, enter: **resetsm**