

IMPORTANT Information Regarding PFAI Fitness Data

ATTN: Districts and Teachers

As you prepare to upload your student fitness data results to TEA, there are some very important points you must be aware of:

1. PEIMS ethnicity codes use different values than the FITNESSGRAM software, which means that your student ethnicities are incorrect if you uploaded directly from PEIMS and have not gone through your data to remap the codes.
2. If your ethnicity codes are incorrect, your aggregated fitness data will be inaccurate, because the FITNESSGRAM software categorizes data based on age, grade, gender, and ethnicity.
3. Because all the data from every school is aggregated once it is uploaded to TEA, incorrect ethnicity data from even one school will skew the entire TEA database.

See the [Ethnicity Codes Import Path](#) and [Ethnicity Codes Translation Table](#) at the end of this document.*

We cannot stress enough the importance of ensuring your data is accurate. To do so, you may need to take steps to change the PEIMS ethnicity codes in your fitness data to match the FITNESSGRAM ethnicity codes before you upload your data to TEA.

Instructions for updating your ethnicity codes are located at the Human Kinetics website at <http://www.fitnessgram.net/texas/>. Questions regarding your FITNESSGRAM data export file should be directed to Human Kinetics through the contact information on their website.

We recognize the time and energy you have invested in the Physical Fitness Assessment Initiative and greatly appreciate your efforts to ensure the accuracy of your fitness data. Thank you for making PFAI such a huge success; with your help, we look forward to even greater success this year and in the years to come.

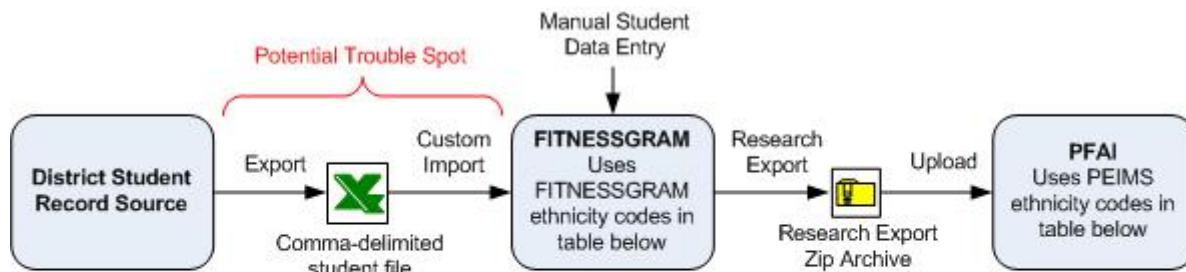
Please note, as TEA implements federal ethnicity codes in PEIMS in upcoming school years, additional updates to your FITNESSGRAM files may be required; we will keep you informed of any future updates.

***FITNESSGRAM Ethnicity Codes and Corresponding PEIMS Codes**

Student records that you manually entered in FITNESSGRAM keep the ethnicity codes you assigned at the time of entry; they should not be a cause for concern. If you used the FITNESSGRAM Custom Import feature to import a comma-separated value (CSV) student file, make sure you used the 3-digit codes in the CSV Code column of the table below in your file. If you did not, the wrong ethnicities may have been selected for many students when the CSV file was imported into FITNESSGRAM.

For example, if your file contains a record for an Hispanic student in the CSV file you imported, and you used the code **4** to represent Hispanic (consistent with PEIMS codes), then versions of FITNESSGRAM prior to 8.4, which expect only 3-digit ethnicity codes, would multiply by 100 to turn convert the **4** to a 3-digit code [**400**]. FITNESSGRAM would import the **4** code as **400**, which represents Filipino in FITNESSGRAM. Thus, when you export that record from FITNESSGRAM into the Research Export Zip archive and upload that file to TEA's PFAI Web site, PFAI will categorize that supposedly Filipino student in the more general category of Asian or Pacific Islander, according to the mappings in the table below. To avoid this problem, you must ensure that the assigned ethnicities are correct for all students in FITNESSGRAM before exporting your data and uploading to PFAI.

Ethnicity Codes Import Path



Example of Ethnicity Code Translation				
4 = Hispanic	4	4 = Filipino (CSV code 400)	4	2 = Asian or Pacific Islander
	x 100			
	FITNESSGRAM conversion			

Ethnicity Codes Translation Table

FITNESSGRAM			PEIMS	
ID	CSV Code	Name	ID	Name
0	0	Unknown		
1	100	American Indian or Alaskan Native	1	American Indian or Alaskan Native
2	200	Asian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
3	300	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
4	400	Filipino	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
5	500	Hispanic/Latino	4	Hispanic
6	600	Black or African American	3	Black or African American
7	700	White	5	White
8	800	Other		
9	201	Chinese	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
10	202	Japanese	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
11	203	Korean	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
12	204	Vietnamese	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
13	205	Asian Indian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
14	206	Laotian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
15	207	Cambodian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
16	299	Other Asian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
17	301	Native Hawaiian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
18	302	Guamanian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
19	303	Samoan	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
20	304	Tahitian	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
21	399	Other Pacific Islander	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
22	999	Declined to state		
23	1	TX PEIMS - 1 American Indian or Alaskan Native	1	American Indian or Alaskan Native
24	2	TX PEIMS - 2 Asian or Pacific Islander	2	Asian or Pacific Islander
25	3	TX PEIMS - 3 Black, not of Hispanic origin	3	Black or African American
26	4	TX PEIMS - 4 Hispanic	4	Hispanic
27	5	TX PEIMS - 5 White, not of Hispanic origin	5	White