

# Final SEVIS Release 5.2 System Changes

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The following summarizes the changes for SEVIS Release 5.2.

## All Users

### New Password Requirements

- The new passwords requirements are:
  - Passwords must be 8 to 16 characters in length
  - Passwords must contain at least:
    - One alphabetic character
    - One numeric character
    - One of the following special characters: @, #, \$
  - Passwords must contain a non-numeric character in the first and last positions
  - Passwords must not contain two consecutive identical characters
  - When changing a password, the new password must not contain more than three consecutive characters from the previous password
  - Passwords may not be the same as, or contain, the user ID
  - Passwords are case sensitive. When you create a password using a mix of uppercase and lowercase letters, it must always be entered that way.

**Note:** Existing passwords do not need to be changed at this time. The next time SEVIS prompts the user to change the password, the password must meet the new requirements.

- The buttons on the *Password Change Reminder* screen will be changed to **Yes** and **No**.

### Adobe Acrobat Reader

- A link to the Adobe website is being added to the SEVIS navigation bar so users can download Adobe Acrobat Reader. Users should only use this link if Adobe Acrobat Reader version 5.0 or higher is not already on the computer that will be used for printing forms.

### INS References Removed

- All references to INS are changed to DHS on SEVIS screens and email messages.

**Note:** The Form I-20 will not be updated at this time.

### Account Locked After 3<sup>rd</sup> Consecutive Unsuccessful Logon Attempt

- When a user attempts to log into SEVIS multiple times consecutively, their User ID is locked after their 3<sup>rd</sup> unsuccessful attempt.

## F/M Schools

### Modifying POE Data

- The batch interface is modified to prevent the interfaces (NIV/ADIS) and Land Port of Entry (POE) user data from being overwritten by the school users.

## J Program Sponsor Users

### Duplicate Records Created for Transfers

- When a sponsor user double clicks the **Approve Transfer** button for the transfer of an exchange visitor, SEVIS has been creating duplicate records. The system is being modified to create only one record.

## **User Manuals, Online Help, and Tutorials**

All User Manuals and Online Help are being updated to reflect all changes. The Tutorials are also being updated.

Updated user manuals for F/M School users will be posted to SEVIS section of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement website:

<http://www.ice.gov/graphics/sevis/schools/sevis.htm>

Updated user manuals for J Program Sponsor users will be posted to the Department of State, Office of Exchange Coordination and Designation's (J-visa) website:

<http://exchanges.state.gov/education/jexchanges/about/sevis.htm>