



My BackPack Release Bulletin

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Contact Support@senior-systems.com if you have any questions about any of these new features.

Note: In addition, .NET 4.5 must be installed on servers hosting FormBuilder.

Admin Community

Admissions

The **Inquiry Form** in Online Admissions Setup now has an option to "Show MBP Login Link." See the screen shots below.


here to login.' Below this is a section titled 'Student Information' with a horizontal line. To the right of the form, there are labels for 'School Applying To:', 'Student First Name:', and 'Student Middle Name:', each preceded by a red asterisk."/>

Broadcast Messages

- The Broadcast Email menu in My Backpack has been changed to Broadcast Messages with the addition of SMS text messaging functionality. This feature provides an additional method of communication, to send out quick alerts, arrival notifications, appointment reminders, and more. Powered by global technology company Twilio (who also power Uber and Airbnb), the SMS text messaging option allows you to send messages right to user's phones across any carrier. See the screen shots below.

If you wish to use the new SMS text messaging functionality, you will need to purchase this feature. Contact [Sales](#) for more information at: 1-888-480-0102, Option 2, or send an email to sales@senior-systems.com.

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Student/Parent

Step 1: Select Recipients for Text Messages

Basic | Advanced | Online Billing

Please select your recipients using the options below. Note that any options selected on advanced tab will be ignored.

Student Selection Options

Select schools/grades in the Academic Divisions ▾ Show Grades

Lower School Middle School

Current Year Next Year

*** Select student groups to include**

Current Athletics Current Extended Day Current Leadership Current Sci Enrich Current Summer
 Graduate Past Athletics Past Extended Day Past Leadership Past Sci Enrich
 Past Summer Student Withdrawn

Current Year Next Year

Exclude Students with Admissions Year of 2012 ▾

Select additional options

Select enrollment statuses

Only include student with a published document.

Recipient Selection Options

*** Select Text Message recipients**

Students Primary Parents Secondary Parents Additional Contacts

Please note that the following options are not applicable to student recipients.

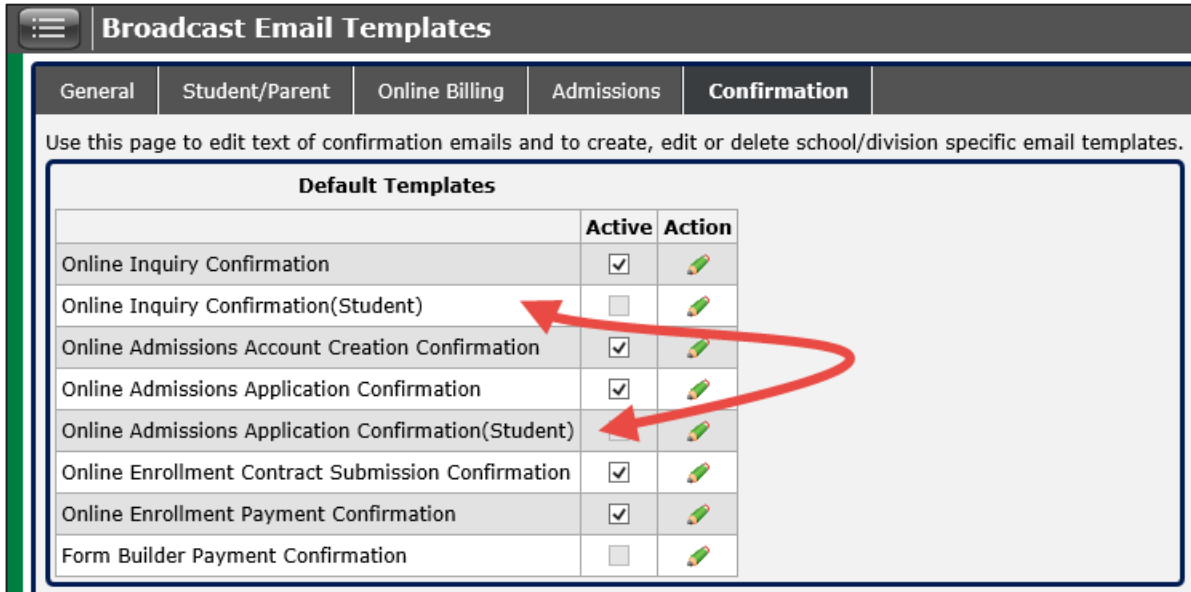
Only include addresses marked as 'Send Contract'

Select text message type Home else Work ▾

Select parent type Both Father and Mother ▾

For families with multiple children, generate One text message per family ▾

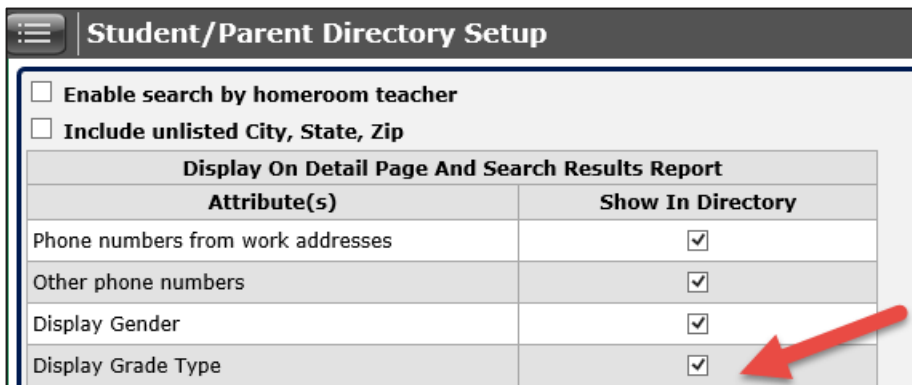
- In Broadcast Email Templates, two new **Confirmation templates** were added. These are: "Online Inquiry Confirmation (Student)," and "Online Admissions Application Confirmation (Student)." No confirmation email for student is sent by default (**Active** checkbox is not checked). See the screen shot below.



Student/Parent Community

Student/Parent Directory

- The **Parents** view of the Student now includes an **Activities** section. This is similar to the Faculty Student Directory view.
- A **Display Grade Type** option has been added to the Student/Parent Directory Setup. If selected, the Grade Type column will appear in the grid. See the screen shot below.



Faculty Community

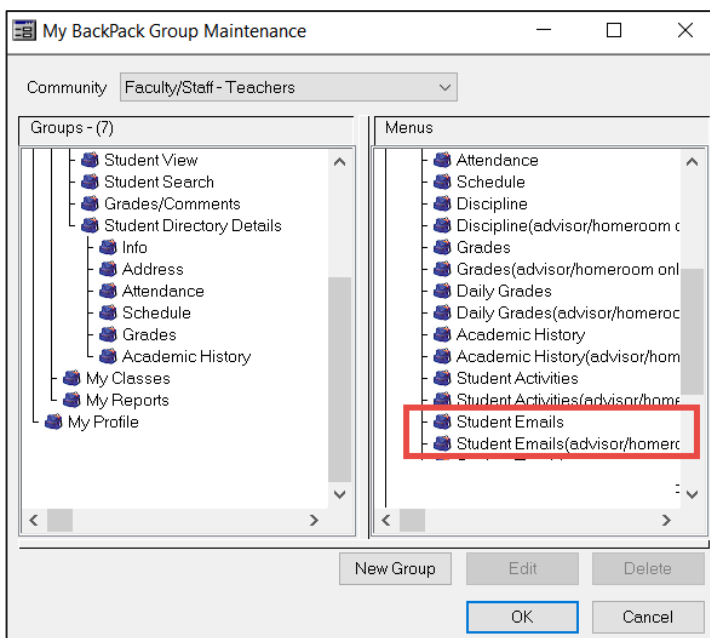
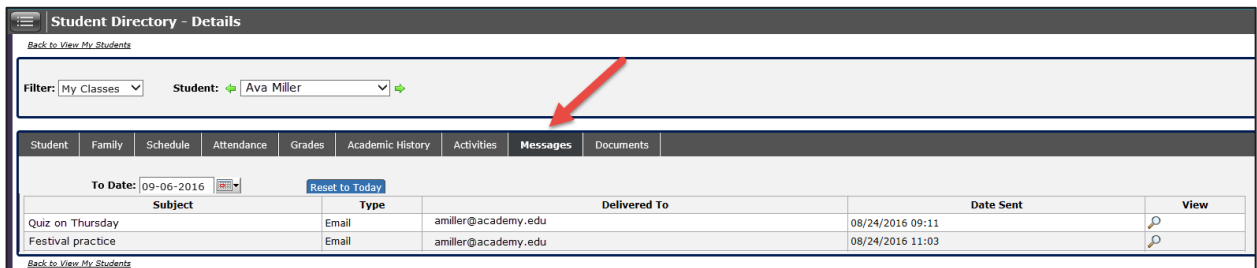
- The **Email My Classes** menu in My BackPack has been changed to **Message My Classes** with the addition of the new Short Message Service (text messaging) option. This allows Faculty members to view messages sent to a Student that have been generated using the broadcast message functions (Broadcast Messages or Message My Classes). The Messages page includes a date filter, so you can view messages within a range of dates.

NOTE: A filter for email and text is available if the SMS option has been purchased.

Contact [Sales](#) for more information about this feature at:

1-888-480-0102, Option 2, or send an email to sales@senior-systems.com.

To enable the **Messages** tab, there are new security keys under *Faculty > My Students > Student Directory Details*. See the screen shots below.



- An option to Display Student Email has been added to the Student/Parent Directory Setup. The **Display Dorm and Advisor** option has been separated into two options: **Display Dorm**, and **Display Advisor**.

The information displayed in *Student/Parent Directory Search > Student Detail* will reflect the selected options.

NOTE: Selecting the **Display Dorm** option in the Student/Parent Directory Setup will also add a **Dorm Name** search parameter in the Student/Parent Directory Search.

See the screen shots below.

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Student Detail

Ava Miller



Class Of: 2019
Gender: Female
Grade: 10
Email: amiller@academy.edu

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Dorm Building -- Harwood Hall	
Room	230
Phone	518-302-4253
Parent	Ms. Carla Hill
Advisor	
Name	Mrs Susan Rathers

Student/Parent Directory Setup

Enable search by homeroom teacher
 Include unlisted City, State, Zip

Display On Detail Page And Search Results Report	
Attribute(s)	Show In Directory
Phone numbers from work addresses	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other phone numbers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Display Gender	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Display Grade Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Display On Detail Page	
Attribute(s)	Show In Directory
Student name format	First Last, Suffix <input type="text"/>
Include preferred name in student name	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Display student portrait	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Display dorm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Display advisor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Display student email	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Display In Search Results Report	
Attribute(s)	Show In Directory
Student name format	Last, First <input type="text"/>
Include preferred name in student name	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Annotate student with siblings using '*'	<input type="checkbox"/>

Search Student/Parent Directory

Search for:

Student Last Name: <input type="text"/>	Parent Last Name: <input type="text"/>
Student First Name: <input type="text"/>	Parent First Name: <input type="text"/>
Grade: <input type="text" value="ALL"/>	City: <input type="text"/>
GradeType: <input type="text" value="ALL"/>	State: <input type="text" value="ALL"/>
Class Year: <input type="text"/>	Zip Code: <input type="text"/>
School: <input type="text" value="ALL"/>	Country: <input type="text" value="ALL"/>
Gender: <input type="text" value="ALL"/>	Display: <input type="text" value="20"/>
Homeroom Teacher: <input type="text" value="ALL"/>	
Dorm Name: <input type="text"/>	

Summer/Program Registration Setup

A **Days Of Week** option has been added to Course Columns. If selected, Parents will be able to see the days of the week they have registered for in the Course List section. See the screen shots below.

The screenshot shows the 'Options' tab for 'Summer/Program Registration Setup'. Under 'Enrollment Maximum Behavior', the 'Use only Approved Registrations when calculating the max registration limit.' option is selected. The 'Course Columns' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following table:

Field	Label	Format
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meeting From/To Dates	From/To Dates	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meeting From/To Times	From/To Times	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Course Web Name	Course Name	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Faculty Name	Teacher	First Last, Suffix
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Room/Location	Room	Room Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Amount	Fee	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Session	Session	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Days Of Week	Days Of Week	

Below this table, there are checkboxes for 'Date of Birth' (Birthdate) and 'Age (as of Summer Date)' (Age). A red arrow points to the 'Days Of Week' checkbox.

The screenshot shows a student record for Jacob Smith. The registration status is 'Approved' with a submit date of 7/21/2015. Below the student information is a table with the following data:

Course Name	Meeting From/To Dates	Meeting From/To Times	Fee	Days Of Week
Extended Day-11:30-3:15 pm	September 06 - June 15	11:30 AM - 3:15 PM	\$0.00	M, W, F

A red arrow points to the 'Days Of Week' column in the table.

Security

To ensure security in My Backpack for our users, Ascendance supports the following browsers:

- Microsoft Internet Explorer version 11 and higher
- Mozilla Firefox version 27 and higher
- Google Chrome version 30 and higher
- Opera version 17 and higher
- Apple Safari version 7 and higher