



Wales Post 16 Data Collections Autumn 2025 Error Resolutions Guide

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Introduction

This **Guide** has been designed to assist you with understanding and resolving the variety of **Validation Errors** which can occur during the **Generation** of the **Post 16 Data Collection** for **Autumn 2025**.

Important Dates

- Data on Post-16 pupil learning activities is required for the **previous academic year (2024/25)**.
- **DEWi opens** for Post-16 data submission on **16th September 2025**.
- **Deadline** for data submission is **10th October 2025**

Bromcom Documentation

You can access all the required information and documentation regarding **Viewing and Resolving Validation Errors/Queries** for your **Post 16 Data Return** in our **Help Centre** see [Wales Post 16 Data Collection 2025](#)

Welsh Government Links

This **Guide** should be used in conjunction with guidance which is made available to all schools via the **Welsh Government**.

- **Welsh Government** documentation and guidance on **Post 16 Data Collections** can be retrieved [here](#).

It is the school's responsibility to review the Welsh Government guidance to ensure all required information is submitted as part of the Post 16 Data Return.

Understanding Errors & Queries

The table below shows all the possible **Errors** and **Queries** which each **Post 16 Data Return** can indicate; please use for guidance in correcting and resolving as required.

Number	Query	Validation Check Provided by Welsh Gov.	Error Message	MIS Pathway
22	N	<Term> shall be "AUT"	Term is not valid	Modules>Census>Post16
50	N	<LEA>/S1 must be a valid LEA code in the range 660-681	LEA code missing or invalid	Config>Administration>Schools
90	N	<Name>/S5 must be present	School name missing	Config>Administration>Core Details
140	N	There must be at least one <Completion> node	No completion times provided	Modules>Census>Post16
142	N	No two (or more) <Completion> nodes can have the same <CompleterRole>/S101	Duplicate completion times for same staff type	Modules>Census>Post16
144	N	<CompleterRole>/S101 must be HT, AC, DH, AS, QT, AO, BM, ON, or LA	Completion time provided for an unrecognised staff type	Modules>Census>Post16
150	N	<Hours>/S102 must be a positive integer	Completion time not a whole number of hours	Modules>Census>Post16
1430	N	<UPN>/100001 must be present	UPN missing	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1440	N	<UPN>/100001 must contain the correct check letter	UPN invalid (wrong check letter at character 1)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1450	N	Each pupil <UPN>/100001 must be unique across all pupils on roll, as well as permanently excluded pupils (Where <ExclusionCategory>/100087 = 'PERM') (January PLASC).	More than one pupil record with the same UPN	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1470	N	Characters 5-12 of <UPN>/100001 must be numeric	UPN invalid (characters 5-12 not all numeric)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1480	N	Character 13 of <UPN>/100001 must be numeric or A-Z omitting I, O, S	UPN invalid (character 13 not a recognised value)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1481	Y	Character 13 of <UPN>/100001 should be numeric	Please check: UPN is a temporary UPN. Please use permanent UPN if available.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1490	Y	If present, <FormerUPN>/100002 Should be in the correct format	Please check: former UPN wrongly formatted	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1495	Y	If present, <FormerUPN>/100002 Should contain the correct check letter	Please check: former UPN invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1510	N	<Surname>/100003 must be present	Pupil last name missing	Students>View Student Details>Basic Details
1520	N	<Forename>/100004 must be present	Pupil first name missing	Students>View Student Details>Basic Details
1535	N	<DOB>/100007 must be present	Pupil missing date of birth	Students>View Student Details>Basic Details
1540	N	<DOB>/100007 must be a valid date (format ccy-mm-dd)	Pupil date of birth not a valid date	Students>View Student Details>Basic Details

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1543	Y	No more than 10% of pupils in school should have <NYearActual>/100068 different to that suggested by their age: N1 or N2 if age < 3 N1, N2 or R if age = 3 N1, N2, R or 1 if age = 4 1 if age = 5 2 if age = 6 3 if age = 7 4 if age = 8 5 if age = 9 6 if age = 10 7 if age = 11 8 if age = 12 9 if age = 13 10 if age = 14 11 if age = 15 12 if age = 16 13 if age = 17 14 if age = 18	Please check: 10%+ pupils' yr group differing from their age	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1551	N	<NYearActual>/100068 must be 12, 13 or 14	Pupil actual year group not a recognised value	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1640	N	<PartTime>/100065 must be 1 or 0 where 1 = true and 0 = false	Pupil part-time indicator not a recognised value	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1675	N	<EnrolStatus>/100060 must be present	Pupil missing enrolment status	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1680	N	<EnrolStatus>/100060 must be C, M, S or G for all schools	Pupil enrolment status not a recognised value	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
1840	N	If present, <Postcode>/100120 should have a valid postcode format	Pupil's home postcode with invalid postcode format	Students>Student Details
4000	N	All pupils with <NYearActual>/100068 = or > 12 must have at least one <LearningActivity> node where <EnrolStatus>/100060 = C or M	No learning activities reported for the pupil	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
4010	N	<LearningActivityID>190020 must be in the range 001-099	Invalid Learning Activity ID. Must be in range 001-099	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4030	N	<LearningActivityStartDate>/190022 must be a valid date format	Learning Activity/Programme of Study start date not a valid date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4050	N	<LearningActivityExpectedEndDate>/190023 must be a valid date format	Learning Activity/Programme of Study expected end date not a valid date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4070	N	<LearningActivityExpectedEndDate>/190023 must be later than <LearningActivityStartDate>/190022	Learning Activity/Programme of Study expected end date must be later than the start date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4080	N	<LLDDLearner>/190025 must be 0, 1 or 2 for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID> between 001 and 099	Learning difficulty or disability code invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities

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4110	N	<WelshMediumLearningActivity>/190026 must be E, C, P or R for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID> between 001 and 099	Invalid Welsh medium learning activity code	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4120	N	<LearningActivityProvider>/190027 must be in the form Annnnnnn and a valid code for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID> between 001 and 099	Invalid or incorrectly formatted Learning Activity provider	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4150	N	<LearningActivityEndDate>/190024 must be a valid date format (9999-12-31 is a valid entry)	Learning Activity end date not a valid date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4160	N	<LearningActivityEndDate>/190024 must be later than <LearningActivityStartDate>/190029	Learning Activity/Programme of Study end date must be later than the start date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4170	N	<CompletionStatus>/190030 must be 1, 2, 3, 4	Invalid code for completion status	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4180	N	If <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1 then <LearningActivityEndDate>/190024 must be 9999-12-31	Pupil is continuing learning but an actual end date has been entered	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
4190	N	If <CompletionStatus>/190030 is 2, 3 or 4 then <LearningActivityEndDate>/190024 must not be 9999-12-31	Pupil has terminated learning but end date suggests learning is continuing.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
9011	N	Each pupil <UPN>/100001 must be unique across all pupils on roll in Wales	More than one pupil record with the same UPN	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
10019	N	<Phase>/S7 must be present.	School phase is not reported.	Config>Admin>Characteristics
11006	N	<LEA>/S1 must be present.	LEA must be present	Config>Admin>Core Details
11007	N	<Estab>/S2 must be present.	Estab must be present	Config>Admin>Core Details
11011	N	<ReferenceDate>/S94 must be present	Reference Date must be present	Modules>Census>Post16
11017	N	<CompleterRole>/S101 must be present at least once and in every <Completion> node	Completer Role must be present	Modules>Census>Post16
11018	N	<Hours>/S102 must be present at least once and in every <Completion> node	Hours must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
11023	Y	There must be at least one occurrence of a <Pupil> node.	At least one pupil record must be present	Students List Page
11034	N	<PartTime>/100065 must be present	Part Time must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
11035	N	<NCyearActual>/100068 must be present	NC Year Actual must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
11039	N	<LearningActivityID>/190020 must be present for each <LearningActivity> node	Learning Activity ID must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
11041	N	<LearningActivityStartDate>/190022 must be present for each <LearningActivity> node	Learning Activity Start Date must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities

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11042	N	<LearningActivityExpectedEndDate>/190023 must be present for each <LearningActivity> node	Learning Activity Expected End Date must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
11043	N	<LearningActivityEndDate>/190024 must be present for each <LearningActivity> node	Learning Activity End Date must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
11044	N	<LLDDLearner>/190025 must only be present for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID> between 001 and 099	LLDD must be present for all Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
11045	N	<WelshMediumLearningActivity>/190026 must only be present for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID> between 001 and 099	Welsh Medium Learning Activity must be present for all Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
11046	N	<LearningActivityProvider>/190027 must only be present for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID> between 001 and 099	Learning Activity Provider must be present for all Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
11049	N	<CompletionStatus>/190030 must be present for each <LearningActivity> node	Completion Status must be present	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12001	N	<Estab>/S2 must be an integer between 4000 and 5901, with patterns 4000-4999, 5400-5499, 5500 - 5699, 5700 - 5799, 5800 - 5899, 5900 - 5999	Estab is out of range	Config>Administration>Core Details
12003	N	<Name>/S5 must be a string with no more than 100 characters	Name of school must be 100 characters or less	Config>Admin>Characteristics
12004	N	<Phase>/S7 must be a string with values PS, SS, SP, NS, PR, MS.	Phase is not a recognised value	Config>Admin>Characteristics
12008	N	<Hours>/S102 must be an integer 0 to 9999	Hours is out of range	Modules>Census>Post16
12009	N	<Surname>/100003 must be a string with no more than 60 characters	Surname must be 60 characters or less	Students>View Student Details>Basic Details
12010	N	<Forename>/100004 must be a string with no more than 60 characters	Forename must be 60 characters or less	Students>View Student Details>Basic Details
12011	N	If present <MiddleNames>/100006 must be a string with no more than 60 characters	Middle names must be 60 characters or less	Students>View Student Details>Basic Details
12309	N	If present <UniqueLearnerNumber>/100016 must contain the correct check digit	The Unique Learner Number (ULN) is invalid (incorrect check digit at character 10)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
12310	N	If present <UniqueLearnerNumber>/100016 must be a ten digit number with zero not allowed as the first character.	The Unique Learner Number (ULN) must be a ten digit number with zero not allowed as the first character	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data

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12331	N	Characters 2-4 of <UPN>/100001 must be a valid post April 1998 LEA code or a recognised "pseudo LEA" code (001,003, 010-014, 016, 020-024, 026, 030-034, 036, 040-044, 046, 050-054, 056, 167, 201-213, 301-320, 330-336, 340-344, 350-359, 370-373, 380-384, 390-394, 420, 600-632, 660-681, 701-708, 800-803, 805-808, 810-813, 815, 816, 820, 821-823, 825, 826, 830, 831, 835-837, 840, 841, 845, 846, 850-852, 855-857, 860, 861, 865-874, 876-896 901-939)	UPN invalid (characters 2-4 not a recognised LA code)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
12335	N	<Survey>/S92 must be ATS, ATP, P16, PLASC, NDC or EOTAS or <DocumentName> must be 'Wales NDC KS3 File'	Survey name is not a valid one	Modules>Census>School>Post16
12685	N	<LearningActivityCategory>/190042 must only be present for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID>/190020 value between 001 and 099	Learning Activity Category must be present for all Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12686	N	<LearningActivityCategory>/190042 must be 'M' = Main or 'O' = Other for <LearningActivity> nodes with a <LearningActivityID> between 001 and 099 only	Learning Activity Category must be 'M' (Main) or 'O' (Other)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12688	N	<GuidedContactHours>/190029 must be >=0 and <=3000	Guided contact hours must be between 0 and 3000	School
12732	N	Each <Pupil> node must contain at least one <LearningActivity> with a <LearningActivityID>/190020 between 001 and 099	Pupil's Learning Activities must be recorded	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12812	N	<ReferenceDate>/S94 must be 2025-07-31	Invalid survey reference date	Modules>Census>School>Post16
12813	Y	<LearningActivityStartDate>/190022 must be on or after 2022-09-01	Please check: Learning Activity/Programme of Study start date should be on or after 2022-09-01	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12819	Y	<UniqueLearnerNumber>/100016 may be present if <DOB>/100007 for Post-16 2025 collection is on or before 31 August 2009	Please check: Pupil (aged 15 or over) with a missing Unique Learner Number (ULN)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
12820	Y	sum(<LearningActivityEndDate>/190024 minus <LearningActivityStartDate>/190029) <=90 days and <CompletionStatus>/190030 =2	Please check: Completion Status shows the Learning Activity was completed in 90 days or less.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities

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12821	N	<LearningActivityStartDate>190022 'month' in('06','07','08') and <LearningActivityStartDate>190022 'year' is equal to 'year' of <ReferenceDate>/S94 for Post-16 collection and <CompletionStatus>/190030 ='2' and <LearningActivityCategory>/190042='M'	Please check: Learning Activity start date shows as starting in June, July or August of the current collection survey reference date year and the Learning Activity Category is 'Main' and shows as completed	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12822	N	Count of pupils of age/sex in Post-16 collection (including leavers) should be equal to or greater than count of pupils of this age/sex in PLASC collection	Please check that Post-16 data for all eligible pupils is reported	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
12823	Y	Where(<UPN>/100001 & <Estab>/S2 & <NCyearActual>/100068 in ('12','13','14')and <EnrolStatus> in('M','C')) in <Survey>/S92=PLASC and 'year' = 'year' <ReferenceDate>/S94 for Post-16 collection <UPN>/100001 should also appear in the Post-16 collection <Survey>/S92= P16 for <Estab>/S2	Please check: the following pupil UPN(s) appeared in year group 12, 13 or 14 in the PLASC collection at a school level and have not been submitted as part of the Post-16 collection.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Key Data
12940	N	<ProgrammeID>/190032 must be in the range 001-099	Programme ID invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12941	N	<ProgrammeID>/190032 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a Programme ID	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12942	N	<ProgrammeReference>/190033 must be a valid value from lookup: LearningProgrammesList within Modular CBDS 2526.1.n	Programme Reference invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12943	N	<ProgrammeReference>/190033 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a ProgrammeReference	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12944	N	<ProgrammeStartDate>/190034 must be a valid date (format ccyy-mm-dd)	Programme Start Date invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12945	N	<ProgrammeStartDate>/190034 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a Programme Start Date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12946	N	<ProgrammeExpectedEndDate>/190035 must fall after <ProgrammeStartDate>/ 190034 within each <Programme> node	Programme Expected end date must be after Programme Start Date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12947	N	<ProgrammeStartDate>/190034 must fall before <ProgrammeActualEndDate>/190036 within each <Programme> node	Programme Actual end date must be after Programme Start Date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12948	N	<ProgrammeExpectedEndDate>/190035 must be a valid date (format ccyy-mm-dd)	Programme Expected End Date invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities

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12949	N	<ProgrammeExpectedEndDate>/190035 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a Programme Expected End Date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12950	N	<ProgrammeActualEndDate>/190036 must be a valid date (format ccyy-mm-dd)	Programme Actual End Date invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12951	N	<ProgrammeActualEndDate>/190036 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a Programme Actual End Date	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12952	N	<ProgrammeCompletionStatus>/190037 must be in ('1','2','3','4','5')	Programme Completion Status invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12953	N	<ProgrammeCompletionStatus>/190037 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a Programme Completion Status	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12954	N	<LengthOfProgramme>/190038 must be in ('1','2')	Length Of Programme invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12955	N	<LengthOfProgramme>/190038 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a Length Of Programme	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12956	N	<YearOfProgramme>/190039 must be in ('1','2','3')	Year Of Programme invalid	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12957	N	<QWAD>/190045 must be a valid value from lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract	Invalid code for QWAD	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12958	N	<YearOfProgramme>/190039 must be present for each <Programme> node	Each programme must have a Year Of Programme	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12959	N	If <ProgrammeCompletionStatus>/190037 = 1 then <ProgrammeActualEndDate>/190036 must be 9999-12-31	Pupil is continuing programme but an actual end date has been entered	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12960	N	If <ProgrammeCompletionStatus>/190037 = 2, 3 or 4 then <ProgrammeActualEndDate>/190036 must not be 9999-12-31	Pupil has terminated learning but end date suggests learning is continuing	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12961	Y	No <Pupil> node can have more than 6 (six) <LearningActivity> with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCSE (9-1)', 'General Certificate of Secondary Education') and a <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1	Please check: Pupil has more than 6 GCSE Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
12962	Y	No <Pupil> node can have more than 6 (six) <LearningActivity> with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level', 'GCE AS level') and a <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1	Please check: Pupil has more than 6 GCE/A/AS Level Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities

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12963	Y	No <Pupil> node can have more than 6 (six) <LearningActivity> with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('Key skills') and a <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1	Please check: Pupil has more than 6 Key Skills Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12964	Y	No <Pupil> node can have more than 6 (six) <LearningActivity> with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('Essential skills Wales') and a <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1	Please check: Pupil has more than 6 Essential Skills Wales Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12965	Y	No <Pupil> node can have more than 6 (six) <LearningActivity> with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('National Vocational Qualification') and a <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1	Please check: Pupil has more than 6 NVQ Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12966	N	<QWAD>/190045 must be present for each <LearningActivity> node	QWAD is missing	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12967	Y	No <Pupil> node should have more than one identical <QWAD>/190045 where <CompletionStatus>/190030 in ('1','2') unless the duplicated QWAD number is one of the QWAD numbers listed in the Permissible duplicated QWAD numbers look up table within the P16 tab of Modular CBDS	Please check: Pupil has duplicate Learning Activity <QWAD> showing as completed or continuing	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12968	Y	No <Pupil> node can have more than 6 (six) <LearningActivity> with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('Principal learning') and a <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1	Please check: Pupil has more than 6 Principal Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12969	Y	No <Pupil> node can have more than 6 (six) <LearningActivity> with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('CVET', 'IVET', 'QCF', 'Vocationally Related Qualification') and a <CompletionStatus>/190030 = 1	Please check: Pupil has more than 6 CVET, IVET, QCF or Vocationally Related Qualification Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12970	N	No <Pupil> node can have more than 1 <Programme> with a <ProgrammeCompletionStatus>/190037 = 1	Pupils can only have one current Programme of Study at any time	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12971	N	<GuidedContactHours>/190029 must be present for <Programme> nodes	Guided Contact Hours must be present for Programmes of Study	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
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12973	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0004A02B' must contain at least 4 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCSE (9-1)', 'General Certificate of Secondary Education')	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 4 GCSEs must have 4 GCSE Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12974	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0005A02B' must contain at least 5 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCSE (9-1)', 'General Certificate of Secondary Education')	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 5+ GCSEs must have at least 5 GCSE Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12975	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0013A03B' must contain at least 3 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE AS level')	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 3 AS Levels must have 3 AS Level Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12976	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0014A03B' must contain at least 4 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE AS level')	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 4+ AS Levels must have at least 4 AS Level Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12977	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0013C03B' must contain 2 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE AS level') and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0045718	Pupil taking Programme of Study 2 AS Levels with Welsh Baccaulaureate must have 2 AS Level Learning Activities and a Learning Activity for the Advanced Skills Baccaulaureate Wales	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12978	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0014C03B' must contain 3 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE AS level') and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0045718	Pupil taking Programme of Study 3 AS Levels with Welsh Baccaulaureate must have 3 AS Level Learning Activities and a Learning Activity for the Advanced Skills Baccaulaureate Wales	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities



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12979	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0015C03B' must contain at least 4 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE AS level') and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0045718	Pupil taking Programme of Study 4 AS Levels with Welsh Baccalaureate must have at least 4 AS Level Learning Activities and a Learning Activity for the Advanced Skills Baccalaureate Wales	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12980	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 '0022A03B' must contain at least 2 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level')	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 2 A2 Level must have 2 A Level Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12981	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 '0023A03B' must have 3 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level')	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 3 A2 Level must have 3 A Level Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12982	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 '0024A03B' must have at least 4 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level')	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 4+ A2 Level must have at least 4 A Level Learning Activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12983	N	A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0023C03B' and <ProgrammeStartDate> is on or before 2023-08-31 then it must contain 2 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level') and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0007216 and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0007212. Where the <ProgrammeStartDate> is on or after 2023-09-01 then the <LearningActivity> node must contain a <QWAD>/190045 of C0045718	Pupil taking Programme of Study of 2 A2 Level with Welsh Baccalaureate, starting on or before 31 August 2023, must have 2 A Level Learning Activities and a Learning Activity for the Skills Challenge Certificate and a Learning Activity for the Welsh Baccalaureate. If the Programme start date is on or after 01 September 2023, the learner should have at least 1 learning activity.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities

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12984	N	<p>A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0024C03B' and <ProgrammeStartDate> is on or before 2023-08-31 then it must contain 3 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level') and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0007216 and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0007212.</p> <p>Where the <ProgrammeStartDate> is on or after 2023-09-01 then the <LearningActivity> node must contain a <QWAD>/190045 of C0045718</p>	<p>Pupil taking Programme of Study of 3 A2 Level with Welsh Baccaulaureate, starting on or before 31 August 2023, must have 3 A Level Learning Activities and a Learning Activity for the Skills Challenge Certificate and a Learning Activity for the Welsh Baccaulaureate.</p> <p>If the Programme start date is on or after 01 September 2023, the learner should have at least 1 learning activity.</p>	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12985	N	<p>A <Pupil> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 = '0025C03B' and <ProgrammeStartDate> is on or before 2023-08-31 then it must contain at least 4 <LearningActivity> nodes with a <QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level') and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0007216 and 1 <LearningActivity> node with a <QWAD>/190045 of C0007212.</p> <p>Where the <ProgrammeStartDate> is on or after 2023-09-01 then the <LearningActivity> node must contain a <QWAD>/190045 of C0045718</p>	<p>Pupil taking Programme of Study of 4 A2 Level with Welsh Baccaulaureate, starting on or before 31 August 2023, must have at least 4 A Level Learning Activities and a Learning Activity for the Skills Challenge Certificate and a Learning Activity for the Welsh Baccaulaureate.</p> <p>If the Programme start date is on or after 01 September 2023, the learner should have at least 1 learning activity.</p>	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12986	N	Each <Pupil> node must contain at least one <Programme> with a <ProgrammeID>/190032 between 001 and 099	Pupil's Programme of Study must be recorded	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12987	N	<ProgrammeStartDate>/190034 must be on or after 2024-09-01	Please check: Programme of Study start date should be on or after 1 September 2024	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities

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12991	Y	A <Pupil> node cannot contain >2 <LearningActivity> nodes with a (<QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE AS level')) and >2 <LearningActivity> nodes with a (<QWAD>/190045 lookup: Post-16 QWAD Extract: Qualification type in ('GCE A level'))	Please check: pupil is showing as undertaking 3 or more AS level activities and 3 or more A levels.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12992	N	A <Pupil> node with a (<Programme> node with a <ProgrammeID>/190032 and a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 in ('0013C03B', '0013D03B', '0014C03B', '0014D03B', '0015C03B', '0015D03B', '0023C03B', '0023D03B', '0024D03B', '0024C03B', '0025D03B', '0025C03B', '0014I03B', '0015I03B') must have a <LearningActivity> node with a (<QWAD>/190045 in Welsh Baccaulreate QWAD numbers look up table within the P16 tab of Modular CBDS)	Pupil is undertaking a programme with a Welsh Baccaulreate element and has no Welsh Baccaulreate activity	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12993	Y	A <Pupil> node with a <NAWPupilStatus> <NYearActual>100068 = 12 then (<Programme> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 first 3 characters cannot = '002')	Please check: Pupil is showing as being in Year 12 and is undertaking an A level programme	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12994	Y	A <Pupil> node with a <NAWPupilStatus> <NYearActual>100068 in ('13', '14') then (<Programme> node with a <ProgrammeReference>/190033 first 3 characters cannot = '001')	Please check: Pupil is showing as being in Year 13 or 14 and is undertaking an AS level programme	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12996	Y	No <Pupil> node should have an identical <ProgrammeReference>/190033 with a <ProgrammeID> in sequential order	The learning programme reference submitted is the same as the previous learning programme undertaken by this learner	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
12998	Y	There should be a maximum of 10 <LearningActivityID> nodes that can be listed under each <ProgrammeLearningActivities> node.	Programme Learning Activities cannot exceed ten activities	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities

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12999	N	The <LearningActivityID> nodes listed within the <ProgrammeLearningActivities> container should correlate with the <LearningActivityID> nodes created as per rule 11039 that are within the <NAWLearningActivities> node. The <LearningActivityID> entries within <ProgrammeLearningActivities> should not be different to the activity numbers listed under <NAWLearningActivities>.	Programme Learning Activities do not match the Learning Activities identified for the pupil	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
13000	N	All <LearningActivityID> entries, e.g. 001, 002, 003 etc, within <NAWLearningActivities> should be present within at least one <Programme>	All Learning Activities must exist within at least one Programme	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
13001	N	<Pupil> node with a (<Programme> that has a <ProgrammeCompletionStatus>/190037 in ('1')) must have at least 1 (<LearningActivity> node where the <LearningActivityID> is in <ProgrammeLearningActivities> and <CompletionStatus>/190030 in ('1'))	Programme showing as continuing but no activities showing as continuing	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
13002	N	<Pupil> node with a (<Programme> that has a <ProgrammeCompletionStatus>/190037 in ('3')) must have at least 1 (<LearningActivity> node where the <LearningActivityID> is in <ProgrammeLearningActivities> and <CompletionStatus>/190030 in ('3'))	A programme is showing as withdrawn but has no activities showing as withdrawn.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities
13003	N	No <Pupil> node should have more than one identical <QWAD>/190045 where one has a <CompletionStatus>/190030 of ('1') and a <LearningActivityStartDate>/190022 that is before the <LearningActivityEndDate>/190024 of the previous instance of the <QWAD>/190045 that has a <CompletionStatus> of ('3', '4')	One or more identical activities (same QWAD) are showing a start date before the end date of a transferred or withdrawn activity	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/ Learning Activities

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13243	N	For every <Programme> that has a <CompletionStatus> of 1 (continuing) or 2 (completed), any <LearningActivity> within that programme that has one of the <QWAD> numbers in the Welsh Baccalaureate QWAD numbers look up table within the P16 tab of Modular CBDS AND has a <LearningActivityStartDate> of 2024-09-01 or a later date, that specific <LearningActivity> must not have a <CompletionStatus> of 2 (completed)	As Welsh Baccalaureate activities are 2 years in length, the completion status must be 1 (continuing) at the end of the first year unless the pupil has no current programmes and/or has left the school. A programme can be completed, despite the Welsh Baccalaureate activity remaining as continuing.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
13244	N	Any <Programme> must not have a <CompletionStatus> of 1 (continuing)	As programmes are 1 year in length, no programme should have a completion status of 1 (continuing)	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
13255	N	Every <LearningActivity> node must contain a <DiscountCode>	There is no discount code included for this learning activity.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
13256	N	<DiscountCode> must only contain data items that have no more than 9 alphanumeric characters	The discount code is not in the correct format. It cannot be longer than 9 characters.	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
13285	Y	There should be no two (or more) nodes with the same <Surname>/100003, <Forename>/100004, <Sex>/100008 and <DOB>/100007	Please check: duplicate pupil records with same name/sex/DOB	Students>View Student Details
13286	N	<Sex>/100008 must be present with values F or M	Pupil sex not F or M	Students>View Student Details
13287	Y	<LearningActivityExpectedEndDate>/190023 should be between 2025-05-15 and 2024-08-31 for all <LearningActivity> nodes unless <LearningActivity> node has a <QWAD>/190045 of C0045718 and a <LearningActivityStartDate> of 2023-09-01 or a later date	Please check: most learning activities are one year in length and would be expected to end towards the end of the academic year	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities
13288	Y	<ProgrammeExpectedEndDate>/190035 should be between 2025-06-01 and 2025-08-31	Please check: most learning programmes are one year in length and would be expected to end towards the end of the academic year	Students>View Student Details>Enrolment>Programmes/Learning Activities

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