# UPGRADES TO ALASKA STUDENT ID SYSTEM
# AND NEW FILE STRUCTURE

In May 2004, the Department made several enhancements to the Alaska Student ID System as a result of three years experience using the system plus feedback back from school district IT staff.  The following five enhancements have been added:

1   Change the default search district from the current user's district to *all* districts.

2   Change the middle initial to a full middle name (on the screen and in upload/download files)

4   Add the child's birth date to the search screen.

5   Add a *nag* warning on the default page that warns the user that they have batch file uploads with duplicates that have not been resolved.

6   Add a suffix field for the last name (not used in duplicate checking).

The file structure for the upgraded system is as follows.  Batch file uploads to the system must conform to this new structure.

## NEW FILE STRUCTURE FOR STUDENT ID SYSTEM

| Field / Prompt | Description | Length |
|---|---|---|
| <sid> | Student ID | 10 or Empty |
| <did> | School District ID | 2 |
| <first> | Student First Name | Up to 35 |
| <middle> | Middle Name | Up to 35 |
| <last> | Last Name | Up to 35 |
| <suffix> | Last Name Suffix (Jr, III, etc.) | Up to 10 |
| <dob> | Student Date of Birth (in format mmddyy or mmddyyyy) | 6 or 8 |
| <g> | ASCII 'M' or 'F' (Male or Female) | 1 |
| <sc> | The 6-digit School Code | 6 |
| <alias> | Child's Alias | Up to 35 |
| <other> | Other Last Name | Up to 35 |
| <maiden> | Mother's Maiden Name | Up to 35 |
| <bp> | Birth Place | Up to 50 |
| <dn> | District Student ID Number | Up to 35 |