

## PLAINEDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Plainedge School District, in North Massapequa, NY, serving five schools and more than 3,500 students is considered an archetypal middle-class American School district. The district enjoys a high percentage of parent participation in student progress and access to student progress records.

### Challenge

The district is very focused on keeping and maintaining extensive student records, however the data was “messy.” The district maintained no data “standards” and in fact, each school secretary maintained her own data file, recording addresses, phone numbers, parents, etc. in a different format. State reporting demands compounded the problem, adding further manual data entry and reconciliation efforts for both schools and at the district.

### Solution

After a review of possible options, Plainedge determined that a district-wide Schools Interoperability Framework (SIF®) implementation—including district installation of the SIFWorks® Enterprise ZIS and school installation of the SIFWorks Directory Manager™ agent—would best meet their needs. Plainedge began with their cafeteria application and soon integrated their SIS and library solution into the SIF implementation. The SIFWorks Directory Manager agent enables Active Directory® to set up and manage student and staff network accounts.

### Results

The once-messy student data at Plainedge is now standardized and centralized. The district, schools and parents have confidence in the data, knowing it is current—thanks to real-time data exchange—and accurate. Plainedge now looks forward to a statewide SIF standard to further facilitate state reporting.



“SIF works so well that our staff sometimes forgets it’s there. For example, the librarians have been surprised when a student—whom they don’t yet know—comes to check out a book and that student is already in the library database! It just works.”

CYNTHIA LAPIER,  
chief information officer,  
Plainedge School District

## Assuring Your Success

Edustructures ensures your SIF implementation success story by offering a comprehensive program of training, technical support and consulting services.

## Implementation

Our implementation engineers have successfully installed more state and district projects than any other SIF vendor, experience that results in a superior implementation. The implementation process involves analysis and planning, installing the server software, creating zones, defining the agents that will be registered in each zone, and configuring access control permissions.

## Project Management

As the first company dedicated to delivering SIF-based solutions, Edustructures offers a dedicated staff to deliver extensive, real world, best-practice project management for your implementation.

## Training/Professional Development

Edustructures offers a variety of training options tailored to each district or state need. Basic SIFWorks training includes installation, configuration, and continued maintenance of the SIF infrastructure.

## Ongoing Support

Edustructures maintains an experienced team of support professionals focused on your success via toll-free phone and email. Additionally, our Customer Support Center portal offers downloads of the latest versions of our products, the ability to open or view support cases, browsing of technical support bulletins and product documentation, and access to our technical knowledge base.

## Edustructures: SIF is all we do!

- **MORE state and district SIF implementations than any other SIF solution provider**
- **MORE available certified agents than any other SIF solution provider**
- **MORE SIF agents have been built using our technology than all other technology platforms combined**
- **FIRST to market with a commercial Zone Integration Server (ZIS)**
- **FIRST to implement district-wide SIF solutions**
- **FIRST to scale SIF to State-level implementations**
- **FIRST commercial SIF development toolkit**

## ABOUT EDUSTRUCTURES

Edustructures is the recognized leader in SIF integration solutions for the pK-12 education market, making it possible for market-leading Student Information, Library, Transportation, Cafeteria, Directory solutions and more to reliably and securely share data in real time. Through its SIFWorks integration platform, comprehensive professional services, and business relationships with technology providers and educators, Edustructures connects the systems that power education.

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