



Qmlativ Migration FAQs

WSIPC delivers innovative and cost-effective support solutions, empowering Washington's educational community to concentrate on their core mission.

This document is designed to help your team navigate key questions about migration to the Qmlativ product suite.

For more information about Qmlativ features or the migration process, contact your Statewide Migration Team at info@wsipc.org.

What key features prompted our shift to Qmlativ?

- User-centric, streamlined design with consistent and intuitive navigation, simple shortcuts, time-saving defaults, an intuitive interface, and customizability
- Enhanced integrated security features such as single sign-on and multi-factor authentication
- Improved system performance and more efficient processes
- Unparalleled access to data through powerful reporting tools
- Configurable live tiles with real-time key alerts and notifications
- Open API for seamless integration with third-party data solutions

Will key reports be developed and available in Qmlativ?

All state and federal reports are available in Qmlativ and have been improved for even greater efficiency. Also, each module in Qmlativ contains a number of canned reports, and custom report options.

How many Cooperative members are currently using Qmlativ?

As of May 2025:

- 153 district members have successfully migrated their SMS 2.0 data into Qmlativ
- 16 district members are scheduled to migrate during the remainder of the 2024–25 school year, including districts of various sizes and locations statewide

When can my district migrate to Qmlativ?

We will continue to add districts to the migration schedule as capacity allows. Each project team will balance their migration project schedule with system support needs for SMS 2.0 and Qmlativ, assessing their capacity to ensure project success within this balance.

Districts can begin working on the readiness of their SMS 2.0 data at any time to streamline the migration process. Our decisions around when to migrate a district are based on various factors, including the results of a software usage analysis and project capacity evaluation, completed during the Onboard Phase of the Qmlativ migration.

How long does migration take?

A district's migration plan depends on system use and process complexity. During the Onboard Phase, we collaborate to create a Success Plan, leveraging insights from previous projects to gather as much initial information as possible. Your actual timeline will depend on the complexity of your system use and record sizes. A timeline will be established during the Onboard Phase of the migration project.

What does the high-level migration plan consist of?

Refer to the Roadmap to Success for more information about the migration plan.

What data will migrate to Qmlativ?

The majority of your Skyward SMS 2.0 data will migrate to Qmlativ. The default number of years for fiscal transactions or inactive student record history is two years, but your project team can customize up to five years of historical data into Qmlativ.

Where does my SMS 2.0 data go after migration?

WSIPC is committed to ensuring you retain access to your SMS 2.0 data after you've migrated to Qmlativ. At Go Live, the SMS 2.0 system will be set to a read-only state and will be available for reference and reporting purposes.

Will WSIPC continue to produce documentation for the current SMS 2.0 version?

WSIPC will continue to update our SMS 2.0 documentation and guides when dictated by a change in state requirements or procedures. Otherwise, the intent is to focus on the new Qmlativ upgrade and continue preparing a strong support base for that system.

How much data cleanup will be required?

Our goal is to make data migration as complete as possible. We provide guidelines for standard data maintenance cleanup through migration documentation and migration project plans to help your team maintain data quality. Data that complies with Qmlativ logic will help build consistency between historical and current records.

Will I lose functionality?

Qmlativ is a brand-new product! While many of the same features and functions will feel familiar to what you are used to, many have also been improved to be more efficient. New features have been added, some have been redesigned and instances where they are no longer needed, have been removed.

How will I learn how to use Qmlativ?

Your Statewide Migration Project Team will work with you to develop a learning approach to ensure system understanding using a variety of methods. This may include directed training, work sessions, or online support methods such as a robust Help Center or Community Forum model.

How much will Qmlativ change between now and the last district migration?

Based on user input, Skyward enhances the Qmlativ product and will continue to do so throughout the life of the product. While core functionality will remain the same, we anticipate that the product will introduce new tools and customizations over the coming months and years.

Will my existing third-party integrations still work after migration?

We encourage your district to assess current SMS 2.0 builds and decide whether you would like to continue with that vendor once you've moved Student/Business (ERP) data to Qmlativ. Because Qmlativ is more robust than our previous system, it may replace the need for outside integrations and services.

If third-party system reconnections are still necessary, you'll work with your Project Implementation Coordinator (PIC) to evaluate and prioritize the worklist, then begin the rebuild projects for Qmlativ projects. Each integration is different depending upon the requirements and methods of the outside system.

What hosting solutions are being considered?

WSIPC uses Microsoft Azure for Qmlativ production service delivery. Azure, a cloud-based hosting environment, has been in place since 2016 and has served our Cooperative well in both performance and cost.

As with all services, we are always investigating ways to do things better and reduce costs for the Cooperative. Benefits of Azure include:

- Ease of system management
- Pooling and sharing resources
- Disaster recovery and high availability out of the box (servers are automatically replicated in real time, which means that if one server goes down, you're automatically switched to avoid impact)