

COMPARISON BETWEEN NIPPER AND TAKES STUDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PRODUCTS

Feature	Nipper	Take2 – Access	Take2 – SQL Server
Customer Relationship Management			
Manage enquiries and prospective students		Yes	Yes
Prospect web interface and online application/enrolment		Yes	Yes
Manage relationships with recruiting agencies/organisations			Yes
Attach and manage documents/files related to prospects and organisations, caregivers, and accommodation			Yes
Manage organisations and relationships with organisations			Yes
Contact Management and Follow-Ups			
SMS text messaging		Yes as option	Yes as option
NZ Post postcode lookup			Yes as real-time option
Mail merge to Microsoft Word		Yes	Yes – additional templates
Send out emails			Yes
Standard emails with pre-determined attachments			Yes
Create contact and transaction records, including structured transaction groups for workflow management			Yes
Create bring-ups/alerts	Yes	Yes	Yes
Student Management			
Manage students	Yes	Yes	Yes
User defined fields		Yes	Yes
Record of Achievement import from NZQA		Yes	Yes
National Student Index REST interface	Yes as option	Yes	Yes
National Student Index batch interface			Yes
Validate student, enrolment and outcome data		Yes	Yes

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Manage curriculum including import of standard and qualification records from NZQA, and TEC course register	Yes	Yes	Yes
Attach and manage documents/files related to students and curriculum elements			Yes
Manage pre-requisites			Yes
Manages grading/marking schemes			*
Manage and track applications			Yes
Provisional enrolments			Yes
Manage enrolments: add edit, delete withdrawals	Yes	Yes	Yes
Programme progression checking			Yes
Manage enrolment tracking			Yes
Manage RPL applications			Yes
Manage attendance	Yes as option	Yes	Yes
Set fees		Yes	Yes
Interface to debtors and general ledgers ¹		*	Yes
Public Trust FeeProtect interface		Yes	Yes
Record Unit/Achievement Standard outcomes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Record NZ Diploma of Business outcomes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Manage assessments and upwards aggregation of outcomes			*
Manage alternate awards		Yes	Yes
Print New Zealand Certificates		Yes	Yes
Qualification and course completion recording (for EPI)		Yes	Yes
Compliance with Code of Practice for Pastoral Care		Yes	Yes
Recording and reporting of graduate outcomes		Yes	Yes
Enhanced graduate outcome recording and reporting			Yes

¹ Client specific, e.g. Great Plains

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Internal Reporting			
Standard reports: schedules and summaries	Yes	Yes	Yes
User-specific reporting filters memory			Yes
Comprehensive data accuracy and monitoring reports for TEC's Educational Performance Indicators (EPI)		Yes	Yes
EPI reports using TEC definitions and rules		Yes	Yes
Statistical dataset reporting with pivot tables and audit tables		Yes	Yes
Ad hoc user definable reports		*	*
Dashboard of key management indicators		Yes	Yes
Enhanced EFTS and income reporting			Yes
Travel payment report	Yes	Yes	Yes
External Reporting			
Verification of Study (Vos) interface to StudyLink			Yes as option
Single Data Return (SDR)		Yes	Yes
RS20 Return	Yes		
NZQA electronic returns	Yes	Yes	Yes
EPI replication reporting		Yes	Yes
NZIS Students Online interface		Yes	Yes
FITEC Reporting	Yes	Yes	Yes
Primary ITO Reporting		Yes	Yes
Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Tool bulk upload	Yes	Yes	Yes
Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Tool gain report import			Yes
Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Tool data engine extract import			Yes
Moodle export		Yes	Yes
Cobek aPlus+ interface			Yes
Export Education Levy	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Control Features			
User specific access control			Yes
Multi-provider processing (i.e. can handle multiple EDUMIS numbers)			Yes
Local mandatory fields			Yes
Audit log			Yes
Computing Environment			
Run over a LAN/WAN	Yes but with performance constraints	Yes but with performance constraints	Yes
Multi-user access	Typically up to 5 or 6 simultaneous users with up to 4,000/5,000 students	Typically up to 5 or 6 simultaneous users with up to 4,000/5,000 students	Entirely dependent on hardware/network Several hundred concurrent users and several hundred thousand students are well within specification
Hardware	Standard PC	Standard PC	Standard PC Dedicated server needed for larger installations
Option available for Cloud implementation	All devices connected to the internet – i.e. Windows PCs, Macs, iPads, Android tablets		

* These functions have been developed for existing clients based on their specific requirements and can easily be modified for new clients.