

NC Community Colleges System Office
Information Services Section

MEMORANDUM

To: System Administrators
From: Steve Ijames, Director of Information Services
CC: Presidents
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Subject: Code Scanning Software

The System Office developed a program that scans Info-Basic programs and identifies date-related code. We used the software to help with the Y2K cleanup of the IIPS base package. If you have locally developed software or have modified the IIPS software, you may want to use this software to help assess possible Y2K data problems. The program does not fix any problems and it will identify and report all date related Info-Basic code. Much of what it reports will not be a Y2K issue, but you have to determine that on a case by case basis.

The instructions for accessing the software are below and questions relating to them should be directed to Ken Whichard.

Instructions:

The program is contained in SCP.1917.tar which is available on our ftp site.

The user should go into the information account that they wish to check (e.g. CC.RG) and at the colon prompt type: *CHECK.FILE.FOR.DATES.

They will be prompted for the file name of the file to be checked. This should be any BP, PQ, or UNI file containing locally developed code.

The program will run and produce a file in &HOLD& with the name of the file being scanned followed by the word CHECK as the ID. For example, if they were scanning MYBP then after the program runs, the output would be in &HOLD& MYBP.CHECK.

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The output will list each program scanned and any lines that have suspicions code in them. The user should then check the code to see if it is in fact a Y2K problem.

We suggest that they scan all files that may have locally developed code in them.

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