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Introduction

It is the practice of Ball State University to review and report hours worked/paid for employees accurately. This must be done in accordance with federal and state guidelines as well as University policies. With that in mind, this user’s guide has been created to help aid in the understanding of the upgraded Kronos time and attendance system. For questions regarding pay policies and disciplinary procedures, please reference the appropriate Employee Handbook found online at Employee Handbooks – Ball State University.

The Kronos system offers basic scheduling, time reporting, exceptions reporting, and absence tracking online and in real time which provides timely and accurate information to managers. A Kronos Manager can minimize the need for corrections and adjustments by simply fixing the “exceptions.” It is the Kronos Manager’s responsibility to view their department’s timecards, make any necessary corrections, and then sign off on the timecard by noon on Monday of pay week. All of these items are covered in this document.

Since Kronos 8.0 is not a new system, but rather a system upgrade, the transition from version 5.2 to 8.0 should be relatively seamless. The best part about Kronos 8.0 is that it is JAVA free! Most of the changes you will notice are related to navigation within the system, the terminology and processes remain the same.

Along with the upgraded Kronos system, there will be new time clocks installed to replace the existing time clocks as well. The new time clocks, called “Kronos InTouch,” operate very similar to a tablet. Employees will be able to time stamp, transfer to another position or labor account, review punches/timecards, and eventually (to be rolled out in the near future) even approve their own timecard and request days off at the terminal.

Keep in mind the upgraded system and new time clocks offer several new features and enhancements that will be rolled out progressively over the course of the next year, please be patient as we work to continually improve your timekeeping experience.
Payroll Processing Information

**Biweekly Payroll:**

Ball State University pays service and staff employees on a biweekly pay cycle. A pay week runs from Sunday 12:00 AM to Saturday 11:59PM. A pay period runs for two consecutive weeks starting on Sunday and ending on a Saturday. These employees are paid on Friday after the pay period ends. In order to ensure the payroll is completed in a timely manner, the following schedule has been established:

The Kronos Workforce Manager will need to sign off on their employee’s timecards by noon on Monday (unless a holiday schedule applies) after the pay period ends.

**Monthly Payroll:**

Ball State University pays faculty, professional, and exempt staff on a monthly basis. The pay month runs from 12:00 AM on the 20th of the month to 11:59 PM on the 19th of the following month. These employees are paid on the last work day of the month. In order to ensure the payroll is completed in a timely manner, the following schedule has been established:

The Kronos Workforce Manager will need to sign off on their employee’s timecards by noon on the 21st of the month (unless a holiday schedule applies).

**All Payrolls:**

As a Kronos Manager, you have access to Kronos at any time during the pay period to view or make changes/corrections. The more frequently the timecards are reviewed, the less time it will take on the due day before submitting the information to the Office of Payroll and Employee Benefits. Therefore reviewing the information on a daily basis is strongly recommended.
Log On Information

**Important Information:**

- Kronos 8.0 is JAVA free which means you can use any type of computer (MAC or Window’s PC) and any internet browser (Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, Modzilla FireFox) to log on.

- Kronos 8.0 utilizes single sign on (SSO) which allows you direct access without logging on if you are already logged onto the BSU network.

- Kronos Username and Password are the same as your BSU network account.

**Log On Options:**

- BSU website/PEB webpage
  
  https://cms.bsu.edu/about/administrativeoffices/payrolleb/payroll/kronos

- BSU website/My.BSU under “Additional Tools”
  
  https://my.bsu.edu/

Please contact the KronosHelpDesk@bsu.edu if you need special accommodations for Kronos or assistance logging on.
Log On Instructions:

- **Log On Step 1** - Click on one of the links provided above under “Log On Options.”
  
  - **Log on Step 2** - If you are not already logged onto the BSU secure network, you will be taken to the “MY BSU LOGIN” screen and required to enter your BSU username and password.
  
  - If you are already logged onto the BSU secure network, you will be given direct access into Kronos without being required to enter your BSU username and password. This log on feature is called “single sign on” or SSO, it will open Kronos automatically to your default home screen (see example below).
Default Home Screen Information

Default Homepage for Kronos Manager:

Key Areas of your Default Homepage:

- In the middle of the screen is your primary “workspace.”

- In the upper left-hand corner identifies the system and the employee signed on.

- The top center section of the screen allows you to refresh and alerts you to timecard exceptions.

- In the upper right-hand corner is your “carousel” which allows you to change your workspace from “Manage My Department” to “My Information.”

- Along the right hand side of the screen are your “Related Items” which allows you to navigate to other related areas in Kronos.
Log Off Instructions

Log Off Instructions:

- **Log Off Step 1** - When you are ready to log off of Kronos, simply click on “Sign Out” just below your name in the upper left hand corner of the screen.
Genie Basics

Purpose of a Genie:

A Genie is your starting point for viewing time and labor information in Kronos. Genies appear as selections on a dropdown menu along the upper left-hand side of the screen and once selected will display employee information in a summarized, easy to read format.

The “Pay Period Close – BSU” is your default Genie upon log on.

By using a Genie, you can perform the following functions:

- Locate employees and access their timecards.
- Select specific employees and generate reports.
- Review summarized information “at-a-glance” for analysis of data.
- Perform group edits.

When you use a Genie, you can filter the data that appears so that it answers the following questions:

- Who – which employee or group of employees.
- When – which time period or pay period.
QuickFind Genie Instructions

How to use “QuickFind” Genie:

- **QuickFind Step 1** - From the list of Genies, click on “QuickFind.”

  - Once the QuickFind genie appears, enter your search parameters (the “who” and the “when”) in the top section of your workspace and click the “magnifying glass”/search button.

- **QuickFind Step 2** - Use the search box to the right of the Genie menu to find your employees (the “who”).

  - To find all the employees you have access to type: *
  
  - To find last name of the employee with the last name type: Last name*
- To find first name of the employee with the first name type:
  *, (space) first name*

- To find first name of the employee with only the first initial type:
  *, (space) first initial*

- To find the employee with BSU ID type:
  BSU ID number*

**QuickFind Step 3** - Use the search box on the right-hand side of the workspace to find the time period (the “when”).

![Dropdown menu with time periods]

- Click on the drop down menu to select a predetermined time frame.

- Click on the calendar to the right of the menu to enter a specific date or date range.

**QuickFind Step 4** - Once the “who” and “when” have been selected, click on the “magnifying glass”/search button to obtain search results.

![Search button]

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Genie Instructions

How to use the other Genies (not QuickFind):

• **Genie Step 1** - From the list of available Genies, click on the Genie you wish to use.

![Genie Step 1](image1.png)

• **Genie Step 2** - Use the search box on the right-hand side of the workspace to find the time period (the “when”).

![Genie Step 2](image2.png)
• **Genie Step 3** - Use the search box on the right-hand side of the workspace to find your employees (the “who”) using a hyperfind query.

• **Genie Step 4** - Once the genie, the time period, and the hyperfind query have been selected (Genie Steps 1-3), Kronos will automatically populate your workspace with the search results.

• **Genie Step 5 (Optional)** - Once your selected genie has populated your workspace, you can narrow or adjust your hyperfind query (search results) by using the “edit” button in the upper right-hand corner of the workspace. Follow the Hyperfind Query steps below.
Ad Hoc Hyperfind Query Instructions

How to edit the “Ad Hoc” Hyperfind Query:

- **Ad Hoc Step 1** – Be sure the “Edit Ad Hoc” hyperfind query is selected.
  
  o The “Hyperfind Queries” window will appear with “Ad Hoc” pre-selected.

- **Ad Hoc Step 2** – Determine which “condition” along the left-hand side of the window that you want to utilize to narrow your search and then click on it. Once a condition is selected, it will give you options on the right-hand side of the window to narrow search.
  
  o For example, I only want to see employees with last name of “Bryant,” select the “Name or ID” filter.
• **Ad Hoc Step 3** – Update the selection criteria and add it to the “selected conditions.”

  o Select the radio button to “Include” or “Exclude people who meet this condition.”

  o In the “Search for,” type “Bryant*” and click “Search.”

  ![Screen capture of search interface](image)

  o Once the search is completed, it will give you a list of employees that meet that search criteria. You must decide if you want to move all employees listed or just a few to the “selected items” box.

  ![Screen capture of employees list](image)

  o In my example, I want all employees with last name of “Bryant” so I will click “>>” to move them all.

  ![Screen capture of selected items](image)

  o Once the data is moved to my “Selected Items” box, you are ready to “Add” the new condition by clicking the “Add” button.
• **Ad Hoc Step 4** - Once the new condition has been added, you are ready to test your new hyperfind query, click on “Test.”

  ![Hyperfind Queries](image)

  o Once the new condition has been added, you are ready to test your new hyperfind query, click on “Test.”

• **Ad Hoc Step 5** - Once the test is complete and you agree with the test results, click “Save” to override your “Ad Hoc” query or “Save As” to save your new query with a different name.

• **Ad Hoc Step 6** - Once the query is saved, you will need to refresh the Genie to implement the changes on your screen.
People Basics

Kronos Workforce Timekeeper tracks hours that each employee works for a defined period of time, and then places those hours into specific categories. These categories contain explicit pay policies that determine how Workforce Timekeeper calculates employee hours.

Purpose of the People Record:

The People Record stores each employee’s pay policy rules, as well as personal information. This record contains employee name, badge, and ID number, as well as job-related attributes, such as holiday pay rules and labor account information, which ensures the employee is paid correctly for worked and non-worked hours. Payroll along with Financial Information and Technology Systems maintains this information behind the scenes.

Information about Labor Accounts:

Kronos Workforce Timekeeper uses a “labor account” to track payroll expense. There are seven available levels in the labor account; Ball State University currently uses 5 of the 7 available levels.

- **Level #1** TS-ORGN-CODE (Timesheet Organization Number)
- **Level #2** EE-POS-SUFF (Employee Position including Suffix)
- **Level #3** ECLS-CODE (Employee Classification Number)
- **Level #4** SUPV-POSN-SUFF (Supervisor Position incl Suffix)
- **Level #5** LABOR-TRANSFER (Fund-Org-Program-Activity)
- **Level #6** Blank, not currently used
- **Level #7** Blank, not currently used

These levels are important when performing a job or labor account transfer in Kronos.
Timecard Basics

Kronos Workforce Timekeeper utilizes an employee timecard to track and calculate hours worked/hours paid for a defined period of time. A timecard can be viewed by a Kronos Workforce Manager and/or a Kronos Workforce Employee because they have been given the required licensure to access the Kronos System.

Purpose of a Timecard View:

The timecard view offers the ability to:

- Review the timecard for exceptions
- Monitor the employee’s total hours
- Verify transfers
- Access accrual balances
- Perform pay code and punch edits
- Record comments/notes
- Review the audit trail details
- Generate reports
- Approve/sign off of the timecard
Timecard Indicators and Colors:

The appearance of the timecard cells changes to indicate different conditions.

- A blue speech bubble icon after a punch or amount indicates a comment about the cell’s contents. Point to the icon or navigate to the audits widget to view the comment.

- A solid red cell indicates a missed in-punch or out-punch. Point to the red box for more information.

- A red line with one white bar indicates an exception, such as a late punch, early punch, or long interval. Point to the cell for more information.

- A cell with a red line with one white bar and a blue speech bubble icon indicates that a punch or amount has a comment and an exception.

- A cell with a green line with four white bars indicated an exception that has been reviewed by a manager.

- A date cell with a red line with one white bar indicates an unexcused absence day.

- A date cell with a blue line with four white bars indicates an excused absence day.

- A yellow cell indicated a manager has approved the hours before the employee’s approval.

- A green cell indicated an employee and a manager have approved the hours.

- A gray cell indicates that you cannot edit the contents.

- A transaction shown in purple indicates that it was added to the database by the system.
Definition of an Exception in Kronos:

Timecard exceptions (or alerts) are intended to identify discrepancies, just in case they need to be fixed before the timecard information is sent to Payroll for processing. Some exceptions, like a missing punch, are required to be fixed before the timecard can be approved.

Timecard exceptions appear as blue or red highlights on the timecard and as abbreviated codes in reports based on your business rules. Exceptions can also appear as the subject of one or more columns in a Genie. Examples of timecard exceptions are missing punches, short or long shifts, early or late punches, unexcused absences, and unscheduled shifts.

Timecard Tabs and Go To:

In Kronos v8.0, Workforce Timekeeper, there are two tabs available at the bottom of the timecard:

- **Totals & Schedule** – Displays a summary of the employee’s worked hours, categorized by labor account, jobs, and pay code amounts. The Schedule section of the tab displays the employee’s schedule assignment for the selected time period.

- **Accruals** – Displays the employee’s accrued time, such as vacation or PTO, as of the date selected in the time period.

In Kronos v8.0, Workforce Timekeeper, there is a “Go To” widget that gives you access to the following information from the timecard:

- Audits
- Rules Analysis
- Exceptions
- Scheduled
- Requests
- Reports
Timekeeping Basics

As a Kronos Workforce Manager, it is your responsibility to review, edit, and sign off on the employee timecards you manage. You can make changes in one timecard or perform one edit to multiple timecards. Workforce Timekeeper tracks all changes to a timecard in the audit trail.

Types of Timecards:

There are two timecard views in Kronos Workforce Timekeeper that Ball State University utilizes:

- **Project View** is used for exempt employees to report absences and includes the following employee classifications:
  - Exempt Staff (E1, E2)
  - Faculty (F1, F2, F3, F4, F5, TF)
  - Professional (P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, TM)

- **Hourly View** is used for nonexempt employees to record their time stamp (aka punch) and includes the following employee classifications:
  - Affiliated Service (A1)
  - Bargaining Unit (B1, B2)
  - Nonexempt Staff (N1, N2)
  - Students and Grad Assistants (S1, S2, S3, S4)
  - Temporary Biweekly (TB)

Punch Information & Tips:

The nonexempt employees have an hourly view timecard because they are required to timestamp (aka punch) via a computer or at a time clock. Punches will appear in the timecard grid as an in-punch or out-punch.

- Punch Tips:
o When entering a punch, Kronos automatically assumes A.M. hours.
  ▪ If you key “730” and hit tab or save, it will display 7:30 AM.
  ▪ If you key “730p” and hit tab or save, it will display 7:30 PM.
    You must use the “p” for PM.

o You may need to REFRESH the page to update the date on the page.

o If the SAVE icon is highlighted in red, the work has not been saved yet.

A Kronos Workforce Manager can add, edit, and delete punches on an employee timecard.
Add Punch Instructions

How to add a punch on a timecard:

- **Add Punch Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via QuickFind or other Genie.

- **Add Punch Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.

- **Add Punch Step 3** – On the employee’s timecard, left click in the cell you want to add the punch, then manually key in the time of the punch.
• **Add Punch Step 4** - Once the punch has been entered, hit the “tab” button or left click in a different cell to record the punch in the cell and gain access to the “Calculate Totals” and “Save” icons.

  o Notice when keying the desired punch, the “calculate totals” icon and the “save” icon are gray (or not accessible), however once the punch is recorded in the cell both icons becomes orange (and available for use).

  8:00AM

  ![Add Punch Step 4](image)

• **Add Punch Step 4 (Optional)** - Click the “Calculate Totals” icon to review the calculated timecard data before saving to ensure desired results.

  ![Calculate Totals](image)

• **Add Punch Step 5** – Don’t forget to save your newly added punch, click the “Save” icon.

  ![Save](image)
Edit Punch Instructions

How to edit a punch on a timecard:

- **Edit Punch Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via QuickFind or other Genie.

![Manage My Department](image)

- **Edit Punch Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.

![Genies](image)

- **Edit Punch Step 3** – On the employee’s timecard, right click in the cell with the punch you want to edit and the “Punch Actions” window will appear.

  - In the example below, the employee forgot to clock back in from lunch so their timecard is showing a missing punch. However, the 4:02 PM punch needs to be edited to an out punch before adding the missing punch.
- **Edit Punch Step 4** – From the “Punch Actions” window, click “edit” and the “Punch” window appears.

- **Edit Punch Step 5** – From the “Punch” window, change the “Override” field to reflect “Out Punch” and click “OK.”
• **Edit Punch Step 6** – The “Punch” window will disappear and take you back to the updated employee timecard to review and save the changes.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>In</th>
<th>Transfer</th>
<th>Out</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>8:00AM</td>
<td></td>
<td>11:55AM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>4:02PM</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- If you agree with the changes on timecard, click “Save.” Then you can follow the steps to add the missing in punch.

- If you disagree with the changes on the timecard, click “Refresh” and “Yes” to proceed without saving the changes.
Delete Punch Instructions

How to delete a punch on a timecard:

- **Delete Punch Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via QuickFind or other Genie.

- **Delete Punch Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.

- **Delete Punch Step 3** – On the employee’s timecard, right click in the cell with the punch you want to delete and the “Punch Actions” window will appear.
  
  - In the example below, the employee accidentally clocked out twice at the end of their shift making it appear as if there is a missing punch when in fact there is a duplicate punch. The 4:05 PM punch needs to be deleted which will eliminate the missing punch exception.
Delete Punch Step 4 – From the “Punch Actions” window, click “comment” and the “Comment” window appears.

- Using the drop down menu, select the comment.
• **Delete Punch Step 5** – From the “Comment” window, select a predefined comment, enter a note, and click “Add.”

• **Delete Punch Step 6** – From the “Comment” window, review the comment and note information, then click “OK.”
  
  ○ At this point, it also gives you the option to add another comment and/or note if you desire.
• **Delete Punch Step 7** – After the “Comment” window disappears, you are taken back to the employee timecard where you should save your comments and notes on the punch before deleting it, click “Save.”

• **Delete Punch Step 8** – Once your comments and notes are saved on the punch, you will see a blue speech bubble appear in the cell with the punch.

  - You are now ready to delete the punch. Left click in the cell with the punch you want to delete, then backspace to delete punch time and click “Save” twice.

  - Notice the 4:05 PM is deleted and your missing punch exception is now gone from the timecard.
Comments & Notes Instructions

Comments and notes are available to Kronos Workforce Managers, they can be used to track various information or attach a reminder to a punch or pay code amount. Kronos Workforce Timekeeper allows you to select from a predefined comment list and add a free form note. In order to add a note, you must first select a comment. You can have a comment without a note, but you cannot have a note without a comment. Please use discretion when enter a note, this information will be visible on reports. Also note that you cannot delete a comment once it has been saved, so enter your comments and notes cautiously.

How to add a comment and a note on a timecard:

- **Add Comment Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via [QuickFind](#) or other [Genie](#).

- **Add Comment Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.
Add Comment Step 3 – On the employee’s timecard, right click in the cell with the punch or pay code amount you want to attach a comment to and the “Punch Actions” or “Pay Code Actions” window will appear.

In the example below, the employee entered 8 hours of vacation on 6/22. As the Kronos Workforce Manager I want to add a comment and a note to this pay code amount.

Add Comment Step 4 – From the “Pay Code Actions” window, click “comment” and the “Comment” window appears.
- Using the drop down menu, select the comment.

  ![Comment Window Image]

  - **Add Comment Step 5** – From the “Comment” window, select a predefined comment, enter a note, and click “Add.”

    ![Comment Window Image]

  - **Add Comment Step 6** – From the “Comment” window, review the comment and note information, then click “OK.”

    ![Comment Window Image]

    - At this point, it also gives you the option to add another comment and/or note if you desire. Click either “Add Comment” or “Add another note.”
• **Add Comment Step 7** – After the “Comment” window disappears, you are taken back to the employee timecard where you should save your comments and notes on the pay code amount, click “Save.”

• **Add Comment Step 8** – Once your comments and notes are saved on the pay code amount, you will see a blue speech bubble appear in the cell with the amount.
Add Pay Code Instructions

Pay codes facilitate payroll processing by grouping specific types of worked and non-worked hours to accurately track time data. Ball State University uses pay codes to track various types of leaves as well as paid versus unpaid time off work.

How to enter a Pay Code on a timecard:

- **Add Pay Code Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via QuickFind or other Genie.

- **Add Pay Code Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.

- **Add Pay Code Step 3** – On the employee’s timecard, left click in the “Pay Code” cell next to the date you wish to add the pay code. A drop down list of available pay codes will appear.
In the example below, the employee requested to use 8 hours of vacation on 6/20. As the Kronos Workforce Manager, you need to enter this requested time off in Kronos Workforce Timekeeper.

• **Add Pay Code Step 4** – Once the pay code is selected, click “tab” to navigate to the “Amount” cell to the right of the pay code field and enter “8” to represent the number of hours used.

  ![Table showing pay codes and amounts](image)

  - Acceptable formats when entering a pay code amount:
    - 8, 08, 8:00 = 8:00 hours
    - 8.5, 8:30 = 8:30 hours

• **Add Pay Code Step 5 (Optional)** – Once the pay code amount is entered, click “Calculate Totals” icon to review the calculated timecard data before saving to ensure desired results.

  ![Calculate Totals button](image)

• **Add Pay Code Step 6** – Once the pay code amount is entered, click “Save” to save it to the timecard.

  ![Save button](image)
Edit Pay Code Instructions

How to edit a Pay Code on a timecard:

- **Edit Pay Code Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via QuickFind or other Genie.

- **Edit Pay Code Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.

- **Edit Pay Code Step 3** – On the employee’s timecard, you can edit the pay code or the amount by right clicking in the “Amount” cell next to the date you wish to edit the pay code and the “Pay Code Actions” window will appear.
  
  o In the example below, the employee had originally requested 8 hours of vacation on 6/24. The employee wishes to change their vacation request to only 4 hours on 6/24.
Edit Pay Code Step 4 – Once the “Pay Code Actions” window appears, click the “Edit” icon and the “Amount” window will appear.

Edit Pay Code Step 5 – Once the “Amount” window appears, you can change either the “Pay Code” or the “Amount” fields. In this example, you will change the 8 hours to 4 hours and click “OK.”
• **Edit Pay Code Step 6** – After the “Amount” window disappears, you are taken back to the employee timecard where you should review and save your changes to the pay code amount field, click “Save
Add Job or Labor Account Transfer Instructions

How to add a Job or Labor Account Transfer on a timecard:

- **Add Transfer Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via QuickFind or other Genie.

- **Add Transfer Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.

- **Add Transfer Step 3** – On the employee’s timecard, you can add a job or labor transfer by left clicking in the “Transfer” column next to the “in punch” on the date you wish to add the transfer and click “search.” The “Transfer” window will appear.
Add Transfer Step 4 – The “Transfer” window defaults to a job transfer, however you perform both the job transfer and the labor transfer from the “Labor Account” tab, click “Labor Account.”

Labor Account Levels:

- Level #1  TS-ORGN-CODE (Timesheet Organization Number)
- Level #2  EE-POS-SUFF (Employee Position including Suffix)
- Level #3  ECLS-CODE (Employee Classification Number)
- Level #4  SUPV-POSN-SUFF (Supervisor Position incl Suffix)
- Level #5  LABOR-TRANSFER (Fund-Org-Program-Activity)
In order to complete a job transfer, you will need to populate labor account levels #1-4.

In order to complete a labor transfer, you will need to populate labor account level #5.

- **Add Transfer Step 5** – Once the appropriate fields are populated for a job or labor transfer, click “Apply” to add it to the employee’s timecard.

- **Add Transfer Step 6** – The “Transfer” window will disappear and take you back to the employee timecard to review the transfer and save it to the time card, click “Save.”
Edit Job or Labor Account Transfer Instructions

How to edit a Job or Labor Account Transfer on a timecard:

- **Edit Transfer Step 1** – Access the employee’s timecard via **QuickFind** or other **Genie**.

- **Edit Transfer Step 2** – From the workspace, double click on the employee’s name to open a new tab containing the employee’s timecard.

- **Edit Transfer Step 3** – On the employee’s timecard, you can edit a job or labor transfer by left clicking in the “Transfer” column next to the “in punch” on the date you wish to edit the transfer and click “search.” The “Transfer” window will appear.
• **Edit Transfer Step 4** – Once the “Transfer” window appears, you can update the appropriate fields (1-4 for a job transfer or 5 for a labor transfer) to make the necessary changes, then click “Apply.”
• **Edit Transfer Step 5** – The “Transfer” window will disappear and take you back to the employee timecard to review the transfer and save it to the time card, click “Save.”

![Timecard Screen](image)

Save
Report Instructions

All information about an employee’s time and labor account is stored in the Workforce Central database. Reports help you extract the information in views that provide you with meaningful data. Reports can provide data that helps you make timely business decisions, such as managing tardiness in your department or providing information to help you investigate an incorrect pay check.

How to generate a report in Kronos:

- **Reports Step 1** – You can access reports by clicking “Reports” from the “Related Items” section on the right hand side of your workspace.

- **Reports Step 2** – Reports will open as a new tab in your workspace. It contains all the standard reports you can access.
• **Reports Step 3** – Reports will open as a new tab in your workspace. It contains all the standard reports you can access. If you are unsure which reports you can access, expand the “All” category by clicking on the “+” next to “All” to display all reports you can access.

• **Reports Step 4** – Select a report from the list of available reports, by left clicking on the report name. Once a report is selected, a list of report option appears on the right hand side of the workspace.

• **Reports Step 5** – Once you have completed selecting your report options, click the “Run Report” button.
• **Reports Step 6** – While the report is running, you can click the “Refresh Status” button to check the report status.

• **Reports Step 7** – When the status changes from “Running” to “Completed” you can access your report by double clicking on the report name or clicking on the “View Report” button.
Pay Period Close Basics

At the end of a pay period, you must ensure that all the time information is accurate and complete. Timecards will not process when they contain missing or incomplete information. Even though you might have edited employee timecards on a daily basis, you need to perform a final check on employee timecards to ensure the employees are paid correctly for their worked and non-worked hours.

Once the pay period ends, you should review each employee’s timecard for the following discrepancies:

- Punch issues
- Worked hour issues
- Non-worked hour issues
- Transfer issue

The Pay Period Close – BSU Genie helps you identify timecard discrepancies at the of a pay period so you can perform final edits as necessary and prepare the time records for payroll processing. This Genie displays an analysis of time and labor information by employee, including exceptions, approvals, and expected pay period hours.

The Missed Punch column will alert you to any missed punches that remain in employee timecards. Using this Genie, you can sort information by the “Missed Punch” column and then select the employees whose timecards contain these discrepancies to display their timecards and reconcile the discrepancies.

Ball State University promotes the practice of employees, who have access in Kronos, to review and approve their own timecards. Ball State University requires the Kronos Workforce Managers to “sign off” as an indication that they have reviewed and edited employee timecards in preparation for submitting the timecards to Payroll for processing.

Please note once an approval is applied to a timecard, that time data is unavailable for further edits.
Pay Period Close - BSU Instructions

How to utilize Pay Period Close – BSU at the end of a pay period:

• **Pay Period Close Step 1** – On your designated “sign off” day, access the Pay Period Close – BSU Genie by logging onto Kronos or navigate to your Genies to return to the Pay Period Close – BSU Genie.

  1. As a Kronos Workforce Manager, your Kronos default homepage is “Manage My Department” with the Pay Period Close – BSU Genie populated.

• **Pay Period Close Step 2** – Review each column for exceptions and/or completeness.

  1. Missed Punch Column – This column will populate with a checkmark if the employee has a missing punch that needs to be corrected before sign off can happen.

  ![Missed Punch](image)

  2. Unexcused Absence – This column will only populate if the employee has a schedule loaded and is not here on a day they are scheduled to be at work.

  3. Regular BW – This column will show a total of “regular” hours for regular biweekly employees. All full time employees should have 80 hours listed, if not, they may need a pay code like vacation or sick added to their timecard.

  4. Regular Grad – This column is currently not being used.
5. PPACA – This column is for Graduate Assistants to record their PPACA hours. All Grads should have PPACA hours listed if they have worked during the pay period.

6. Regular Student – This column will show a total of “regular” hours for student employees. Student employees should not work more than 20 hours per pay week therefore their biweekly totals should not be more than 40 hours per the pay period.

7. Overtime – This column will show the total number of overtime hours per pay period.

8. Total Hours – This column will show the total hours (paid hours plus nonpaid hours except PPACA) reported in the pay period.

- **Pay Period Close Step 3** – After reviewing the various columns for exceptions and completeness, you may need to navigate to an individual employee timecard to correct or finish their timecard.

- **Pay Period Close Step 4** – After you have finished reviewing and correcting all timecards, you will need to “approve” or “sign off” on the timecards depending on your current department structure and responsibilities.

1. From the Pay Period Close – BSU Genie, click the “Select All Rows” icon in the upper left-hand corner just below the genie name.

   ![Select All Rows Icon](image)

2. Once all rows have been selected (highlighted in blue), click the “Approval” icon to select “Approve Timecard” or “Sign Off” depending on your current department process.

   - Remember you have the ability to remove an approval but not a sign off on a timecard.
Timecard Approval Process Instructions

How to utilize the Kronos “Timecard Approval” process:

- **Timecard Approval Step 1** – From anywhere within Kronos, click on the “Timecard Approval” process in the “Related Items” along the right-hand side of the screen.

- **Timecard Approval Step 3** – The “Timecard Approval” workspace will open in another tab at the top of your workspace and bring you back to the Pay Period Close – BSU Genie.

- **Timecard Approval Step 3** – To follow the “Timecard Approval” process, simply follow the arrows across the top of the workspace by clicking on each arrow.

1. Select Pay Period for Approval – Shows the time period (should be prior pay period) and hyperfind query (should be All Home) being used.

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![Select Pay Period for Approvals](image-url)
2. Punch Issues – Lists employees with punch issues and allows you to navigate to their timecard.

3. Approve Timecards – Click “Select All Rows” and then click “Approval.”

4. Group Edit Results – Lists the “group edit” results. If there are any failures, click on the “details” button to view errors.
# Appendix A - Vocabulary

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<td>An amount of leave an employee earns over time, based on BSU's employment policies. Examples include vacation time and sick time.</td>
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<td>Combined Pay Code</td>
<td>A single pay code that represents a selected group of pay codes.</td>
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<td>Each employee is assigned a home labor account to which hours accrue, unless a shift is an account transfer. Labor accounts consist of valid combinations of labor level entries, such as account and job.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pay Code</td>
<td>A category that is used to organize time or money, such as vacation or sick time.</td>
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<td>Pay Period</td>
<td>The period of time for which employees are regularly paid.</td>
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<td>Shift</td>
<td>A span of time that has a start and end times, usually in one 24-hour period. For example - 7AM to 3:30 PM</td>
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<td>Transfer</td>
<td>Hours or pay code amounts transferred to a different job or labor account.</td>
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Appendix B – List of Available Kronos Resources

- Check out the Kronos page on the Payroll and Employee Benefits website for access to a variety of Kronos resources:

  Kronos - Payroll and Employee Benefits - Ball State University

  1. Link to Kronos 8.0
  2. Kronos v8.0 User’s Guide
  3. Kronos Pay Codes
  4. Kronos Access Form
  5. Kronos Adjustment Form
  6. Kronos Punch Rounding Rules
  7. Kronos Time Stamp Instructions
  8. PPACA Hours in Kronos
  9. Kronos Time Clock Instructions
  10. Kronos Time Stamp Instructions

- Kronos Help Desk phone number is 765-285-6452.

- Kronos Help Desk email is KronosHelpDesk@bsu.edu
## Appendix C – Comments

### COMMENTS

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Appendix D – Timekeeping Dos & Don’ts

Do:
- Check your time/employee time throughout the pay period. It is easier to correct a missed punch when it happens then at the end of the payroll period.
- Continue to meet both department and Payroll Kronos deadlines.
- Understand the difference between ALL HOME and ALL WORKED.
  - Everyone working in your department will show up under ALL WORKED. Only those employees whose primary position is with your department will show up in ALL HOME.
- Keep Payroll records, including Kronos Adjustment Forms, for three years.
- Ensure employees are compensated for all hours worked.
- Document all changes, deletions, and additions to timecards and who made the change.
- Use a Kronos Adjustment form to correct clocking errors.
- Refresh your screen if you can’t see your changes.
- Move compensatory time to overtime as needed. All hours over 40 in a pay week default to compensatory time, which is earned at 1.5 hours for every hour worked.
- Use the Audit tab to look at original punches that you have changed.
- Use the “Rules Analysis” report to see how our rounding rules affect a punch.
- Contact the Kronos Help Desk with any questions: 285-6452, KronosHelpDesk@bsu.edu.

Don’t:
- Delete punches, right click and edit them instead.
- Edit punches to prevent overtime, the timesheet is a legal document.
- Make changes without documentation, such as a Kronos Adjustment Form.
How to Clock-In (In-Punch)

- **Regular (non-student) employees:**
  - Do not select any options from the clock.
  - Swipe your Cardinal Card (BSU ID) through the card reader slot.
    - The new clocks use the magnetic stripe of your Cardinal Card, not a barcode.
    - Before swiping, the magnetic stripe should face the wall, and fit into the card reader slot.
  - Confirm the indicator light blinked **GREEN** (or that you heard the successful chime).
  - If the indicator light blinks **RED** (or you will hear a failed chime), the swipe was unsuccessful.
    - Read the error message that is displayed. Most cases, re-swiping will correct the issue.
    - You are not allowed to swipe more than once within a two minutes period. If you accidentally swipe a second time within the two minute period, you will receive the error “Punch rejected...You are attempting to punch too soon after your previous punch...”. This error can be ignored, since your first punch was already accepted.
    - Please check your Cardinal Card, and verify that the magnetic stripe on your card is not damaged. If there is a scratch through the magnetic stripe (or other damage), you will have to get a new ID.
o Regular (non-student) employees with a “Labor Transfer”:
   ▪ Press the “Empl Lbr Transfer” option on the clock.
   ▪ Swipe your Cardinal Card (BSU ID) through the card reader slot.
      • The new clocks uses the magnetic stripe of your Cardinal Card, not a barcode.
      • Before swiping, the magnetic stripe should face the wall, and fit into the card reader slot.
   ▪ A list of valid labor accounts (starts with “LT-*”) will be displayed.
     (Note: If no list is shown, or an error message is displayed, then you are not setup to transfer to a different labor account.)
     • Select the labor account from the list.
     • Verify the labor account is correct then press on submit to complete the clock-in process.
     • Confirm the indicator light blinked GREEN (or that you heard the successful chime).
     • If the indicator light blinks RED (or you will hear a failed chime), the swipe was unsuccessful.
        o Read the error message that is displayed. Most cases, re-swiping will correct the issue.
        o You are not allowed to swipe more than once within a two minutes period. If you accidentally swipe a second time within the two minute period, you will receive the error “Punch rejected…You are attempting to punch too soon after your previous punch…” This error can be ignored, since your first punch was already accepted.
        o Please check your Cardinal Card, and verify that the magnetic stripe on your card is not damaged. If there is a scratch through the magnetic stripe (or other damage), you will have to get a new ID.

o Student employees:
   ▪ Press the “Student In-Punch” option on the clock.
   ▪ Swipe your Cardinal Card (BSU ID) through the card reader slot.
      • The new clocks uses the magnetic stripe of your Cardinal Card, not a barcode.
      • Before swiping, the magnetic stripe should face the wall, and fit into the card reader slot.
   ▪ A list of active jobs will be displayed.
      • Select the job you are clocking into from the list presented.
      • Verify the job is correct then press on submit to complete the clock-in process.
      • Confirm the indicator light blinked GREEN (or that you heard the successful chime).
      • If the indicator light blinks RED (or you will hear a failed chime), the swipe was unsuccessful.
         o Read the error message that is displayed. Most cases, re-swiping will correct the issue.
         o You are not allowed to swipe more than once within a two minutes period. If you accidentally swipe a second time within the two minute period, you will receive the error “Punch rejected…You are attempting to punch too soon after
...your previous punch...”. This error can be ignored, since your first punch was already accepted.

  - Please check your Cardinal Card, and verify that the magnetic stripe on your card is not damaged. If there is a scratch through the magnetic stripe (or other damage), you will have to get a new ID.

- **How to Clock-Out (Out-Punch) – ALL EMPLOYEES:**
  - Do not select any options from the clock.
  - Swipe your BSU ID through the card reader slot.
  - Did you see the indicator light blink **GREEN** and/or hear a successful chime?

- **The InTouch Clocks are touch-screen enabled devices that allows employees to perform various time-keeping functions:**
  - **“Student In-Punch”**
    - Students should **ALWAYS** select this option for when clocking-in (In-Punch).
    - Only used for In-Punches. **Do not** select this option for clocking-out (Out-Punch).
    - Once selected, student will swipe their ID, and a list of active jobs for that student will be displayed.
    - Below the list of active jobs is a list of Labor transfers “LT-*”
      - Only available for student employees with a **Primary job** assignment in Dining, Housing and Rec Services.
      - Labor transfer allows a student employee to work their **Primary job**, but charge the labor to a different account (FOAPAL).
      - Only works with student’s Primary job assignment.
      - Will not be available for Federal Work Study jobs.
      - The list of Labor transfer will start with “LT-*”
      - Once selected, the time will be charged to that FOAPAL until the student clocks-out.
Employee Labor Transfer (Empl Lbr Transfer)

- Currently used only for Dining, Housing and Rec Services.
- Labor transfer allows an employee to work their **Primary job**, but charge the labor to a different account (FOAPAL).
- Only works with employee’s Primary job assignment.
- The list of Labor transfer will start with “LT-*”
- Once selected, the time will be charged to that FOAPAL until the Employee clocks-out.
- Once selected, an employee will swipe their ID, and a list of valid labor transfer options “LT-*” will be displayed.
  - This list is specific to an employee, based on the employee type, and their time-sheet organization.
  - Only available for employees with a **Primary job** assignment in Dining, Housing and Rec Services.
- Only used for In-Punches. **Do not** select this option for clocking-out (Out-Punches).

Punch Status

- To use – Press “Punch Status” and swipe your ID Card.
- Will show last date and time of a punch on this specific clock.

- Will only show punches made on the same clock.
View Punch Details

- Shows your timecard details.
- Will show time entered from all sources.
- Allows you to select a Time Period.
- This function is only available during non-busy hours:
  - Monday thru Friday between
    - 8:10am and 3:20pm
    - After 5:10pm
  - All day Saturday and Sunday
- To use:
  - Press “Punch Status” and swipe your ID Card.
  - Select the “Time Period”

After selecting a time Period, you will see a calendar with daily totals. The symbols indicates possible issues with your existing timecard (refer to Thu (6/30 and Fri (7/1) below).
To see the details of a particular day, and to view a description of the issues (⚠️), select the day from the clock, then scroll down the list to the day in question.

Once you are done viewing your Time Card details, press the “Home” button located on the bottom right of the clock.

The screen will automatically log you out after about 30 seconds of inactivity.

### View Hour Totals

- Shows hours totals by position/labor levels.
- Will show time entered from all sources.
- Allows you to select a Time Period.
- This function is only available during non-busy hours:
  - Monday thru Friday between 8:10am and 3:20pm
  - After 5:10pm
  - All day Saturday and Sunday

To use:

- Press “View Hour Totals” and swipe your ID Card.
- Select the “Time Period”
• After selecting a time period, a list by labor levels showing totals hours will be displayed.

![View Hour Totals](image)

• Once you are done viewing your hour totals, press the “Home” button located on the bottom right of the clock.

• The screen will automatically log you out after about 30 seconds of inactivity.

Accrual Balances

- Shows accrual balances for a specific selected date.
- Only available for employees that have accruals.
- This function is only available during non-busy hours:
  - Monday thru Friday between
    - 8:10am and 3:20pm
    - After 5:10pm
  - All day Saturday and Sunday
- To use:
  - Press “Accrual Balances” and swipe your ID Card.
  - Select the day from the calendar displayed.

![Accrual Balances](image)
• After selecting the as of the date, a listing of all your accruals along with the balance will be displayed.

![Accrual Balances]

- Sick Hours  628:00 Hour  
- Vacation Hours  108:00 Hour

• Once you are done viewing your accrual balances, press the “Home” button located on the bottom right of the clock.
• The screen will automatically log you out after about 30 seconds of inactivity.