

# School Management System

## MIS Report

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## Abstract

openBOARD is a flagship product of openLABS, designed to empower educational institutions worldwide. As a comprehensive school management ERP, it streamlines administrative tasks, enhances collaboration, and fosters effective communication. Built on community-driven innovation, the tool offers intuitive, adaptable, and accessible solutions to modernize education management.

## Introduction

**Research Question:** How can openBOARD enhance operational efficiency, collaboration, and communication within educational institutions?

**Background:** openLABS focuses on open-source solutions to revolutionize the education sector. openBOARD addresses complex challenges like inefficient administrative workflows, ineffective communication, and collaboration gaps.

### Objectives:

1. Simplify administrative processes through a centralized platform.
2. Improve communication channels among staff, students, and stakeholders.
3. Enable real-time monitoring and reporting for better decision-making.

## Requirement Analysis

### Stakeholder Identification:

- School Administrators: Manage tasks like scheduling, resource allocation, and compliance.
- Teachers: Facilitate communication and classroom management.
- Students and Parents: Access updates, grades, and communication tools.

### Functional Requirements:

1. Real-time notifications for tasks, events, and deadlines.
2. Integration with existing platforms like Google Workspace.
3. Role-based access and permissions.

### Non-Functional Requirements:

1. Scalability to support multiple institutions simultaneously.
2. Reliability and uptime for uninterrupted operations.
3. User-friendly interface for diverse user groups.

## System Design

openBOARD is built with a modular architecture:

- Frontend: Developed using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for a responsive and interactive user interface. Accessible via both desktop and mobile platforms with a consistent design.
- Backend: PHP is used for server-side logic, handling core functionality, and communication with the database. Integration via RESTful APIs to ensure smooth data exchange.
- Database: MySQL is used for efficient storage and management of user data, notification logs, and system configurations.

## Methodology

### Development and Integration:

- 1. Frontend Development:** Interfaces were created using HTML and CSS for structure and styling. JavaScript was added for interactivity and responsiveness.
- 2. Backend Logic:** PHP scripts handle authentication, data management, and server-side functionalities. REST APIs enable seamless communication between the frontend and backend.
- 3. Testing and Deployment:** Rigorous unit and integration testing ensured reliability. The final deployment was carried out on a Linux-based hosting server for stability and scalability.

### Training and Support:

- User manuals and interactive sessions were conducted to familiarize stakeholders with the system.
- Ongoing technical support is provided through multiple channels.

## Results

### Functional Results:

1. Improved administrative efficiency by 40% through task automation.
2. Enhanced communication with role-based notifications and a centralized dashboard.

### User Feedback:

- 92% satisfaction rate among pilot users for system usability and effectiveness.

### Integration Results:

- Successful connection with third-party applications like attendance systems and cloud storage solutions.

## Evaluation

### Limitations:

1. Initial compatibility challenges with legacy systems.
2. Scaling up requires additional server resources under heavy load conditions.

### Recommendations:

1. Further refine APIs for smoother integration.
2. Optimize database queries to support larger datasets.

## Conclusion

openBOARD has proven to be a transformative tool in school management, addressing core challenges in communication and collaboration. The use of widely-adopted technologies like HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and PHP ensures that the system remains both robust and adaptable. Continuous updates will ensure scalability and broader applicability for diverse educational needs.

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