



Education Professional Standards Board

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EPSB Mission

The Education Professional Standards Board, in full collaboration and cooperation with its education partners, promotes high levels of student achievement by establishing and enforcing rigorous professional standards for preparation, certification, and responsible and ethical behavior of all professional educators in Kentucky.

The EPSB Goals, Strategies, Policies, Procedures, Strategic Plan and Annual Report may be found at <http://epsb.ky.gov> under Board Information.

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Happy Holidays

During this time of reflection and celebration, the staff at EPSB wishes everyone a joyful, blessed and restful season. Please note that the next EPSB Update Memo will be sent in February 2018.

Statement of Eligibility Report

The EPSB has released a new report for superintendents and district human resource directors within the Kentucky Education Certificate Inquiry (KECI) system to assist in recruiting applicants. This new report lists all educators who have received a Statement of Eligibility (SOE) from the EPSB beginning July 1, 2017, who have not been employed in the area of certification.

To access the report,

- log into the KECI system using your EPSB account;
- click on Reports; and
- click on the “Export to File” to download the information in an Excel worksheet.



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The report includes the educator's name, email, city, and type of certificate issued along with the effective date.

Career Progression Charter and Creation of Task Force

During the October 2017 meeting of the Board, Mr. Terry Hibpshman presented details of his research, *Toward a Coherent Kentucky Teacher Career Ladder*, October 2017, which can be found on the EPSB website at <http://www.epsb.ky.gov/mod/data/view.php?d=7&rid=331>. Also during the Board meeting, it was determined that a Career Progression Charter and recommendations for a Task Force would be presented to the Board for consideration at the December 2017 Board meeting.

The proposed scope of operation for the Task Force is to:

- review and develop a new career progression system for 21st century educators and make recommendations for consideration.
- remain within statutory boundaries, but may recommend regulatory, statutory, and policy changes to the Board.
- make a time commitment to the work with support from the EPSB staff to complete its task.

The proposed objectives for a new Career Progression System should:

1. redirect existing elements (e.g., National Board certification, rank, teacher leadership, etc.) to conform with a new model of teacher capability development based on a coherent model of teacher competency; and
2. call for no new sources of funding, redirecting existing sources of funding to recognize accomplishment along the continuum of the new teacher effectiveness model.

Kentucky Recognition for CEEDAR Work

Kentucky was recently recognized for our ongoing work with the Collaboration for Effective Educator Development, Accountability and Reform (CEEDAR) grant. The focus of this work is to improve the "quality of educator preparation in the state by ensuring that all teachers are skilled in high-leverage practices (HLPs) and the delivery of evidence-based practices (EBPs) for all students." "The Kentucky CEEDAR partners included the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board, the Kentucky Department Education, and education faculty from the University of Kentucky, University of Louisville, and Thomas More College." The full article may be viewed at

<http://cedar.education.ufl.edu/ky-collaborative-impact-of-a-statewide-initiative/>.

Kentucky Teacher Internship Program

For those resources teachers wishing to receive a mid-year payment, timesheets are to be submitted and signed by December 20, 2017. The Resource Teacher, Intern, Principal, and District KTIP Coordinator



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must review and electronically sign the timesheet in order for payment to be processed. The fall timesheet must contain a minimum of 15 and no more than 25 out-of-class hours. No payments will be processed before January 2018.

Certification Applications (CA-TP and CA-1) Going Online

In mid-January, the EPSB will move the CA-TP and CA-1 submissions for in-state applicants to an online system/process. Prior to that time, EPSB staff will create materials and host webinars to train EPP certification specialists and school district personnel on the new system. Please watch for more information in the coming weeks.

Electronic Certificates

Along with the online CA-TP and CA-1, the EPSB is moving toward an electronic certificate issuance. Once this transition occurs, the EPSB will no longer be issuing hardcopy certificates. Certificate holders will be able to download and print their certificates. Districts will continue the process of certificate verification through the Kentucky Educator Certificate Inquiry (KECI) system.

Approved Educator Preparation Programs and Providers

It has been brought to the attention of the EPSB that the University of South Carolina has been advertising directly to Kentucky educators for master and doctorate level programs. Programs that could lead to educator certification or licensure in Kentucky, must be approved by the EPSB. The programs offered by the University of South Carolina have NOT been approved by the EPSB. All providers with approved programs are listed on the front page of the EPSB website (<http://www.epsb.ky.gov>). Please notify your staff that, while the EPSB has been and is in communication with the University of South Carolina, their programs have NOT been approved to operate in the state of Kentucky.

Meetings Across the State

12/1-2/2017	KSBA	Winter Symposium
12/6/2017	KBE	Board Meeting
12/6/2017	GRREC	Board Meeting
12/7/2017	KyNT3	KyNT3 Advisory Council Meeting
12/10-12/2017	KASS	Annual Conference
12/10/2017	EPSB	Board Work Session
12/11/2017	EPSB	Board Meeting
12/11/2017	NKCES	Board Meeting
12/11/2017	KVEC	Board Meeting
12/12/2017	KCEWS	Board Meeting
12/13/2017	WKEC	Board Meeting



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12/14/2017	CEEDAR	State Steering Committee Meeting
12/14/2017	SESC	Board Meeting
12/20/2017	CKEC	Board Meeting
12/25-26/2017	ESPB	State Holiday EPSB Office Closed
12/27/2017	OVEC	Board Meeting
12/29/2017	EPSB	State Holiday EPSB Office Closed
1/1/2018	ESPB	State Holiday EPSB Office Closed
1/2/2018	Legislature	2018 Regular Session Convening
1/3-5/2018	NASDTEC	Ted Andrews Winter Symposium
1/3/2018	GRREC	Board Meeting
1/10/2018	NKCES	Board Meeting
1/11/2018	SESC	Board Meeting
1/15/2018	State Holiday	State Holiday EPSB Office Closed
1/17/2018	KEDC	Board Meeting
1/17/2018	CKEC	Board Meeting
1/18/2018	KDE	Teaching and Learning Career Pathway Task Force
1/24/2018	KVEC	Board Meeting
1/31/2018	OVEC	Board Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EPSB is Monday, December 11, 2017, at 9:00 AM (Eastern Time) in Conference Room A, 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky. This is a change from the originally published meeting time and is, therefore, considered a special called meeting. There will be a Sunday work session at 2:00 PM (Eastern Time) on Sunday, December 10, 2017 (no action will be taken).

EPSB meeting agendas may be found one week prior to the meeting on the EPSB website (<http://epsb.ky.gov>) under Board Information.