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EPSB Update Memo

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 and Strategies may be found at <http://www.epsb.ky.gov/boardinfo/mission.asp>.
The EPSB Strategic Plan may be found by clicking here: [Strategic Plan](#)

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Special Called Board Meeting

A special called board meeting will take place on March 23, 2015, at the EPSB to discuss 16 KAR 1:030: *Procedures for Certificate Revocation, Suspension, Reinstatement and Reissuance, and Application Denial* and possibly other issues related to discipline policy. The draft agenda is in development and will be posted on the EPSB website. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EPSB is Monday, April 13, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. (EDT) in Conference Room A, 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Kentucky Core Academic Standards Challenge Needing More Feedback from Stakeholders

During the February Guiding Coalition meeting, it was discussed that the response rate to the [Kentucky Core Academic Standards Challenge](#) is lower than the goal set and more participants are needed. The link to respond will remain open until April 30, 2015. Please use this opportunity to provide feedback regarding the English/language arts and math standards adopted in 2010.

New National Board Certified Teachers Recognition Event

On Thursday, March 5, 2015, the more than 200 teachers who earned National Board Certification in December 2014 will be honored during a recognition ceremony beginning at 1:00 p.m. EST in the State Capitol Rotunda and in both the House of Representatives and the Senate. Each newly certified National Board Teacher will be invited to bring his or her principal or superintendent to this event as a special guest. Questions may be directed to Marcie Lowe at Marcie.Lowe@ky.gov. Please join us in offering congratulations for a job well done on this prestigious accomplishment!

Spring LEAD Report Due; HQ Teacher Report Begins March 1

Due to the severe weather, the LEAD reporting deadline has been extended until March 6. All districts should submit LEAD reports by this date. This is an important date as the LEAD data will be used by EPSB staff to allow school principals to complete the annual Highly Qualified Teacher Report during the month of March. It is vital that districts ensure updates have been made to the LEAD report, so that accurate teacher information will be given to principals for completing the HQT report. HQ reporting will open on March 2 and will need to be completed no later than March 31. Please remind your principals that HQ documentation should be kept on file at each school for all permanent core area teachers in their buildings. Further information on HQT and determining HQ status may be found on the EPSB website at <http://www.epsb.ky.gov/nclb.asp>.

Literacy Preparation Advisory Committee (LPAC)

The Literacy Preparation Advisory Committee (LPAC) is finalizing the documents and processes all Kentucky EPPs will use to submit their plans for implementing 16 KAR 5:060: *Literacy program requirements for middle school, high school, grades 5-12, and grades P-12 certification programs*. The EPSB approved this regulation on October 13, 2014; the Administrative Regulations Review Subcommittee reviewed 16 KAR 5:060 on December 9, 2014. Specially identified and trained content reviewers will review the plans. If you are interested in serving as a reviewer or would like to nominate an EPP faculty member or P-12 educator to serve as a reviewer, please contact Allison Bell at allison.bell@ky.gov. Distribution of additional information has been delayed by weather-related closings but will be provided to EPP deans/chairs and program submission coordinators as soon as it becomes available.

Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP)

The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) is seeking volunteers to fill important roles in EPP accreditation and organizational governance. In addition to providing opportunities to learn more about CAEP and the accreditation process, participating in CAEP's volunteer corps provides an important service to the profession. To review information about the available volunteer roles and apply to serve, visit <http://caepnet.org/working-together/volunteers/> and create an account.

CAEP has released an updated staff draft of the CAEP Accreditation Handbook through its online Accreditation Information Management System (AIMS). If you would like to view the draft but do not have access to AIMS, please check with your NCATE/CAEP coordinator or contact Kim Walters-Parker at kim.walters-parker@ky.gov.

Co-Teaching in Student Teaching Workshops Available

Those serving as university supervisors of student teachers, as well as cooperating teachers and other educators, can learn more about co-teaching in the student teaching context at upcoming workshops with Dr. Teresa Heck and Dr. Nancy Bacharach of St. Cloud State University. Dr. Heck and Dr. Bacharach are leaders in the implementation of co-teaching strategies in student teaching and have previously provided workshops in Kentucky. They will be offering a Co-Teaching Train the Trainer Workshop in the Chicago area on May 4 & 5 and in Minneapolis on May 18 & 19. The cost for the workshop is \$500.00 per person and includes workshop materials and workbook plus lunch each day. Additional details and registration information are available at these links.

Co-Teaching Train the Trainer: Chicago, IL, May 4 & 5, 2015

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1YO3swtmNz1u2EPR8CxQvwcmoamOrI0kgiBR5uc5Mirw/viewform?usp=send_form

Co-Teaching Train the Trainer: Minneapolis, MN, May 18 & 19, 2015

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Rc2gTG_bUQQ0VXjLOvVhpTi4EqYEew3u1EVrXBIJutk/viewform

If you have questions or need further information, email Dr. Heck at twheck@stcloudstate.edu or twhconsulting@gmail.com or Dr. Bacharach at nlbacharach@stcloudstate.edu

TELL Kentucky Survey 2015

The next TELL Kentucky survey will go live beginning March 2 – 31, 2015. You will find more information at <http://www.tellkentucky.org>. More than 43,000 educators (87%) across the state completed the TELL Survey in March 2013. Ten (10) schools were recognized for having outstanding teaching and learning conditions in September 2013 and received the TELL Kentucky Winners' Circle awards.

Empowering Effective Educator (E3) Grant

A need to define leadership roles and responsibilities for effective teachers has emerged from the development of the Professional Growth and Effectiveness System. Empowering teacher leaders can impact teacher equity for all students, build leadership capacity for all staff, and increase the quality of teaching and learning. As a part of the [Network for Transforming Educator Preparation](#) (NTEP) grant (login as guest if prompted), EPSB, KDE and KEA are seeking applications from Kentucky schools interested in demonstrating current or planned strategies to utilize effective teachers in teacher leadership roles. Identified recipients will provide feedback on achievement of goal outcomes, policy implications, and support for scale of work.

The E³ Grant provides schools with funds to design and implement a teacher leadership structure that addresses the needs of building capacity of staff and recognizing the impact of teacher leaders on continuous improvement of schools. The teacher leadership program should promote the use of highly effective teachers in various leadership roles based on the needs of the school.

Kentucky public schools may apply for grants up to \$5,000 (per school site) for professional learning and planning of exemplary teacher leadership structures during the 2015-16 academic year. Application information is posted on the [KDE Competitive Grants Webpage](#).

Ethics Seminars

The Division of Legal Services provides ethics training and seminars to schools, districts, educator preparation programs, and school associations free of charge. Staff can modify the presentation for the particular needs of the audience. For more information or to schedule an event, please contact Elise Borne at elise.borne@ky.gov.

March 2015 Meetings

March 2-31 – TELL Kentucky Survey
March 3 – Hill Day Event for Current National Board Certified Teachers
March 3 – House Education Committee Meeting
March 4 – Green River Regional Educational Cooperative
March 5 – New National Board Certified Teachers Recognition Event
March 5 – Senate Education Committee Meeting
March 9-11 – Network for Transforming Educator Preparation National Meeting
March 10 – House Education Committee Meeting
March 11 – TELL KY Coalition Meeting
March 11 – Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services
March 12 – Southeast/South-Central Educational Cooperative
March 14 – State Network for Transforming Educator Preparation Team Meeting
March 15-18 – Union College Accreditation Visit
March 18 – Central Kentucky Education Cooperative
March 18/19 – Kentucky Education Development Corporation
March 20 – Network for Transforming Educator Preparation State Meeting
March 22-25 – University of the Cumberlands Accreditation Visit
March 23 – Special Called EPSB meeting
March 25 – Ohio Valley Education Cooperative
March 25 – Western Kentucky Education Cooperative
March 25 – Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative
March 26 – KY Rising Working Committee Meeting
March 26 – KY Rising Steering Committee Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EPSB is Monday, April 13, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. (EDT) in Conference Room A, 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, and Frankfort, Kentucky. EPSB meeting agendas may be found [here](#) one week prior to the meeting.

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