



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>

Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP)

Kim Walters-Parker, Director of Educator Preparation, has been appointed to the Continuous Improvement (CI) Commission/Accreditation Council, with a term beginning September 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2016. This is an unprecedented opportunity to truly shape CAEP as the new accrediting body for educator preparation through service within its first permanent governance structure. Please join us in congratulating Kim on her appointment.

Forty Kentucky educators representing higher education, P-12, and state agencies participated in the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation's (CAEP) first regional site visitor training August 6-8 in Louisville. CAEP staff prepared these educators to serve on teams that review educator preparation programs throughout the U.S., U.S. territories, and several international locations as part of the CAEP accreditation process. This training is an important part of NCATE's ongoing transition to CAEP.

Cooperating Teacher Training

As of August 30, 2013, nearly 1,800 cooperating teachers and university supervisors had completed the 16 KAR 5:040 assessment online in Edmodo, and more than 1,000 have requested and received their certificates of completion. This training fulfills the requirement of 16 KAR 5:040, Section 2(5)a: Basic responsibilities of a cooperating teacher and Section 5(6)a: Basic responsibilities of a university supervisor. Any questions regarding this requirement and requests for certificates of completion may be sent to Lauren Graves at lauren.graves@ky.gov.

Co-Teaching Training

Western Kentucky University has scheduled two co-teaching trainings in September. The first will be held on September 9, 2013, and the second on September 10, 2013. These trainings will satisfy the training requirement of 16 KAR 5:040, Section 2(5)b and Section 5(6)b: Best practice in supporting the student teacher. If you are interested in attending or have further questions about the training, please contact Patty Bertke or David Bell at the email addresses below.

September 9, 2013	3:00 (CST)	Owensboro: Badgett Conference Center at WKU-Owensboro	Patty Bertke Patricia.berke@wku.edu
September 10, 2013	4:00-5:30 (CST)	Glasgow: Glasgow Campus- Rm 131	David Bell David.bell@wku.edu

Kentucky Specialty Test of Instructional and Administrative Practices

The Educational Testing Services will begin registration for the *Kentucky Specialty Test* (KYPT) on September 3 with first administration occurring on September 21, 2013. Candidates should log on to the ETS Website at <http://www.ets.org/sls/register/dates/> for registration information. The KYPT will be offered twice per year in paper based format, and in computer based format during the windows listed below.

Tests may be taken at any Prometric Center or Strategic Testing Network site throughout Kentucky (or in any other state). While the School Leaders Licensure Assessment (SLLA) will be offered only on computer, the KYPT will also be administered on paper in September and March. Those will be offered during the regularly scheduled administrations of the Praxis Series.

KYPT (6015/1015)

September 21, 2013 (paper)
December 9-21, 2013 (computer)
March 8, 2014 (paper)
July 14-26, 2014 (computer)

SLLA (6011)

October 7 – 19, 2013
December 9 – 21, 2013
January 13 – 25, 2014
February 3 – 15, 2014
April 7 – 19, 2014
May 12 – 24, 2014
July 14 – 26, 2014
August 4 – 16, 2014

Teacher Program/Title II Fall Reporting Uploads

EPSB staff members have hosted several sessions with teacher preparation staff to assist with uploading this year's completer information into the Educational Testing Services website. Initial technology issues have been resolved and uploads have been successful. Any university Title II Coordinator wishing assistance and guidance to upload this year's report should contact Ashley.Wink@ky.gov or Lauren.Graves@ky.gov.

Kentucky Teacher Internship Program (KTIP)

As of August 30, 2013, EPSB staff members have approved 1371 internships. The language in the budget bill reducing the of out-of-class hours from 50 to 40 will permit us to serve 2471 interns this school year.

University staff members have posted KTIP training information which may be accessed on our Website at: <http://www.epsb.ky.gov/IMSTraining/lmsTraininginfo.aspx>.

The Office of Career and Technical Education (CTE) has again provided funds to support payments for resource teachers and teacher educators for CTE interns. Provided through the federal Carl Perkins Grant, these funds are critical in helping us meet our goal of providing KTIP to all interns.

Ethics Seminars

The EPSB Division of Legal Services offers free ethics seminars to schools, school districts, colleges, universities, and other education groups. Additionally, the Division posts recent presentations for public use on the EPSB website at <http://www.epsb.ky.gov/legal/ethics.asp>.

If you wish to schedule an ethics seminar or need additional resources for your organization, please contact Elise Borne at elise.borne@ky.gov.

Regulations Update

At its August 5, 2013 board meeting, the EPSB approved proposed amendments to 16 Kentucky Administrative Regulation (KAR) 9:080, University-based Alternative Certification Program, and 16 KAR 3:080, Career and Technical Education Administrators. These proposed amendments have been filed with the regulations compiler and will be published in the September edition of "The Administrative Register." The proposed amendments may also be viewed at the Legislative Research Commission's website, <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/TITLE016.HTM>.

If you have any questions about the proposed amendments, please contact Alicia Sneed at alicia.sneed@ky.gov.

Action Necessary for Persons Holding Level I Principal Credentials

Those educators holding a Level I principal credential (certificate or statement of eligibility) should take action immediately to avoid completing a longer preparation program in the future. Renewal of a Level I credential should be done within the next calendar year.

All Kentucky school principal preparation programs have moved to a 30-hour **post-master's** requirement. Current Level I credentials were likely earned via the completion of a master's level program. Current EPSB regulations state that all course work, including that required for Level II programs, for the Master's level programs must be completed before JANUARY 31, 2014.

Level I credentials may only be renewed by completing the Level II program. It is to the advantage of all Level I administrative credential holders to complete all Level II course work (usually 6-9 credit hours depending upon your university) as soon as possible and no later than January 2014. Completion of the Level II program will renew this credential, add five (5) more years to the expiration date, and will allow individuals to avoid having to take the substantially higher number of credit hours which are required with all of the newly-approved post-master's preparation programs.

After January 2014, universities will not be able to make the Level II recommendations without the completion of the new post-master's requirements, so Level I credential holders are urged to make plans now to complete the requirements for Level II.

Questions regarding the completion of the Level II credential should be directed to the educator's advisor at the institution at which the Level I was completed or to the EPSB Division of Certification at dcert@ky.gov or 502-564-4606.

FYI: September Meetings

September 10, 2013 - South East/South Central Educational Cooperative
September 11, 2013 - Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services
September 12, 2013 - Governor's Conference on Postsecondary Education Trusteeship
September 18, 2013 - Central Kentucky Educational Cooperative
September 18 - 19, 2013 - Kentucky Educational Development Corporation
September 25, 2013 - Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative
September 24 - 25, 2013 - Western Kentucky Educational Cooperative
September 25, 2013 - Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative
September 27, 2013 - Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators Conference

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EPSB is Monday, September 16, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A, 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky.

EPSB meeting agendas may be found [here](#) one week prior to the meeting.

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