

Templeman, Vivian

From: Myers, Vicki
Sent: Wednesday, August 03, 2011 4:21 PM
To: Templeman, Vivian
Subject: FW: Invitation to Field Test Evaluation

Vivian,

Please include this email in the Board Packet for information regarding piloting the new state certified evaluation plan. Only North and South Todd would take part in the pilot, and it would only include veteran teachers who agree to have their summative evaluation done with the new process. Thanks--

CPE Contacts,

Copied below is the message sent to all superintendents in the July 22 Commissioner' Fast Friday communication. You may wish to discuss this with your superintendent.

CInvitation to Participate in Next Year's Field-Testing of the Teacher and Principal Professional Growth and Evaluation System - I recently issued an invitation to you to participate in next year's field-testing of the new teacher and principal professional growth and evaluation system. Because the previous invitation was issued during the summer months when school is not in session, I am extending the timeline for completing the web application to Friday, August 5, 2011. Please note that districts may complete an application by the deadline but submit the evidence of board approval after the deadline, if necessary.

Last year, twenty-five districts participated in the initial development phase. Those districts will continue with the process and we are seeking to add an additional twenty-five districts for a total of fifty districts for the field-test year. Districts may be approved for participation with only a few schools and a percentage of teachers in each school participating.

The field-test phase is the next step toward total implementation of the new Professional Growth and Evaluation System, and will be followed by a year of pilot study.

The purpose of the field-testing process is to determine the reliability and validity of the Teacher and Principal Professional Growth and Evaluation System. Teams of principals and teachers involved in the field-testing will provide feedback at appointed times during the year concerning language, usability, measurability, resources needed, process, and timelines. Through this process, participants will also help shape the agenda for training that will be necessary to sustain the fidelity of statewide system implementation.

For your information, I have attached a document that further outlines the expectations for participating districts. Additionally, WebEx sessions are being scheduled for July 27 at 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to provide information and answer any questions you may have about the process. If you would like to sign up for the WebEx, please click on the following link to register <https://kde.webex.com> or e-mail David Simpson at david.simpson@education.ky.gov by the close of business Monday, July 25. The application for participation may be completed by clicking on Professional Growth and Evaluation System Application.

I would encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to have a voice in the development of the new system. If you have questions, please contact Michael Dailey, director of the Division of Next Generation Professionals, at (502) 564-1479 or e-mail Michael at michael.dailey@education.ky.gov.