

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 also be found by clicking here: Strategic Plan

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Farewell to Robert Brown

The EPSB staff would like to say a fond farewell to Robert Brown. Robert, who served as the EPSB Executive Director since February 2013 and began his career with the EPSB in 2003, retired from the EPSB on April 30, 2015. We all enjoyed working with and for Robert. We will miss him dearly and wish him the best of luck in all future endeavors.

Cooperating Teacher Stipends

The EPSB provides a stipend to cooperating teachers who guide student teachers in their classrooms. Funds will be sent to districts in May, and cooperating teachers may expect payment on a June paycheck. Although these stipends are modest, cooperating teachers perform an important and valued function in the preparation of Kentucky's teachers. We want to thank our teachers for their expertise and valuable time to support our aspiring teachers.

KTIP Resource Teacher Payments and Final Reports

KTIP resource teachers should be submitting spring or full-year time sheets through the Intern Management System once all cycle committee meetings have been completed. EPSB staff members have already begun submitting payments to those teachers who have submitted accurate documentation. The resource teacher time sheets require separate signatures from the Record of Teacher Internship Year (RTIY). If you have any questions, please contact Sharon.Salsman@ky.gov or Sherri.Henley@ky.gov.

KTIP Train-the-Trainer Session

A new Kentucky Teacher Internship Program (KTIP) train-the-trainers session is scheduled for May 20, 2015, at the EPSB. This training is only for those who will conduct the official beginning teacher committee member trainings for the new KTIP/PGES alignment. Those who have already completed the online TeachScape PGES training will not be required to attend the face-to-face training. However, there will be a short online component to be completed that encompasses the regulatory facets of KTIP. The eight (8) regional universities will be uploading the training dates for the committee members. Once that is complete, this information will be sent to all districts. For more information please contact Sharon.Salsman@ky.gov or Sherri.Henley@ky.gov.

Certification Forms

As we continue to transition to the new CA forms please check the forms library for the most up-to-date forms. http://www.epsb.ky.gov/certification/certquicklinks.asp

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.

NASDTEC Annual Conference June 7-9

Certification Director, John Fields, will be in Portland, OR, June 7-9 to attend the conference of the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC). This organization is the only such group in the U.S. which specifically serves those who work for state entities which certify teachers as well as those who prepare them in IHEs. Conference information may be found at http://www.nasdtec.net/?page=2015AnnualPortland

Professional Growth and Effectiveness System Newsletters

The Kentucky Department of Education PGES Newsletters may be found by clicking on this link: <u>PGES Newsletters.</u>

May/June 2015 Meetings

- April 30 May 2 Educational Testing Services Annual Client Conference
- May 1 Kentucky Association of Colleges of Teacher Education Spring Conference
- May 4 EPSB Special Called Board Meeting
- May 6 Green River Regional Educational Cooperative
- May 11 Supporting Our Appalachian Region (SOAR) Summit
- May 11-12 Symposium for Gifted Teacher Educators
- May 13 Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services
- May 14 South East/South Central Educational Cooperative
- May 15 KAGC Spring Conference
- May 15-16 KY Rising Working Team and Steering Committee Meetings
- May 18-20 Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation Clinical Alliance
- May 19-21 Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation State Clinic
- May 20 Central Kentucky Education Cooperative
- May 20 KTIP Train-the-Trainers Session
- May 20-21 Kentucky Education Development Corporation
- May 22 Kentucky Education Research Round Table
- May 25 Memorial Day Holiday; EPSB Offices Closed
- May 27 Western Kentucky Education Cooperative
- May 27 Ohio Valley Education Cooperative

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- June 2.3 Kentucky Board of Education Meeting
- June 3 Green River Regional Educational Cooperative
- June 5-9 PESBA/NASDTEC Meeting, Portland
- June 8 Interim Joint Committee on Education Meeting
- June 10 Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services
- June 10-12 KASS Summer Institute
- June 11-12 Council on Postsecondary Education Meeting
- June 12 American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education Information Privacy Task Force Meeting
- June 15 GRREC Leadership Conference
- June 15, 16 TALK Conference
- June 15-17- Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation Site Visitor Training
- June 17 Central Kentucky Educational Cooperative
- June 17 Kentucky Education Development Corporation
- June 24 Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative
- June 25 KY Rising Working Team and Steering Committee Meetings

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EPSB is Monday, June 8, 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 <u>here</u> one week prior to the meeting. www.epsb.kv.gov