Education Professional Standards Board

April 2016
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, Strategies, Policies, Procedures, Strategic Plan and Annual Report may be found at http://www.epsb.ky.gov/boardinfo/mission.asp.

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Combatting Inappropriate Student-Teacher Relationship Task Force

The Combating Inappropriate Student-Educator Relationships Task Force met on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. EDT at the EPSB offices in Frankfort. The purpose of the task force is to review current practices and policies relating to inappropriate student-educator relationships and make recommendations to combat such relationships. The Task Force will be presenting its report with recommendations to the EPSB at the April 11, 2016, meeting of the Board.

New National Board Certified Teachers Recognition Event

On Tuesday, March 8, 2016, the nearly 200 teachers who earned and renewed National Board Certification in 2015 were honored during a recognition ceremony in the State Capitol Rotunda and by the House of Representatives and the Senate. Each newly certified and renewed National Board Teacher was invited to bring his or her administrator of choice to this event as a special guest. Kentucky Teacher featured the special event at http://www.kentuckyteacher.org/news/2016/03/newest-national-board-certified-teachers-celebrated-at-capitol/. Congratulations to all for a job well done on this prestigious accomplishment!

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CAEP Annual Report

The deadline to submit the CAEP Annual Report is April 15, 2016. The 2016 Annual Report should include data from AY 2014-2015 (September 1-August 31). The 2016 EPP Annual Report Technical Guide and 2016 EPP Annual Report Template can be accessed at: http://caepnet.org/accreditation/caep-accreditation/caep-accreditation-resources.
Questions regarding the CAEP Annual Report should be sent to Lauren.Graves@ky.gov.

Title II Institutional Program Report Card (IPRC)

The Title II IPRC is due April 30, 2016. Webinars conducted by Title II can be accessed at: https://title2.ed.gov/Public/Webinars.aspx
The 2016 report should include data from AY 2014-2015 (September 1-August 31). EPSB has provided data for enrollment, program completers, and program completers by subject. Any questions regarding the report or the data should be sent to Lauren.Graves@ky.gov.

Reminders

- Title II includes data for first time initial certification enrollment and completion.
- For Title II reporting purposes, an enrolled participant is a person who has been admitted to a teacher preparation program, but who has not yet completed the program. A program completer is a person who has met all the requirements of a state-approved teacher preparation program.
- The Option 6 state approved teacher preparation programs require successful KTIP completion to be counted as a program completer.

Invitation to Education Town Hall Meetings

As Kentucky prepares to implement the new federal education law known as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in 2017, Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) will be hosting a series of Education Town Hall Meetings to determine how Kentuckians define school success. This listening tour will be an opportunity for all education shareholders to provide input to KDE on the design of a new education accountability system that will be used as the basis to improve our schools and celebrate their educational progress. The goal is to produce a system that is fair, reliable, valid and easier to understand. All are invited to attend one of the 11 Education Town Hall Meetings to let your voices be heard. All meetings will run from 6:30 – 8:00 PM local time. KDE would appreciate your help in getting the word out about these meetings. Included below is a link to a flier that you can share with others.
http://education.ky.gov/comm/news/Documents/Town%20Hall%20info%20flier%20with%20email.pdf

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NBCT Applicants May Qualify for Reimbursement

The Kentucky Network to Transform Teaching (KYNT3) is offering financial assistance to teachers pursuing National Board certification who are from schools without National Board Certified Teachers. To help achieve the goal outlined in a Kentucky statute of having one National Board Certified Teacher in every Kentucky school by 2020, KYNT3 will reimburse qualified candidates up to $275 in out-of-pocket expenses after the submission of one NBCT component for as long as grant funding allows and in the order applications are received. Click here for an application, or email Suzanne Farmer for more information.

Online Educator Complaint System

This is a reminder to all district superintendents and human resource directors that the Online Educator Complaint System is up and running. This electronic reporting system is designed to assist districts with filing educator complaints and will expedite the process for resolving complaints within our Division of Legal Services. Superintendents now have access to the system and have the ability to assign a person within the district (e.g., a human resource director) to be her/his designee to submit items. We ask that you start using this system to report educator misconduct. When a report is submitted, the person filing the report receives a confirmation email. Access to the system is through the EPSB web login.

Meetings Across the State

4/2-3/2016	CCSSO	NTEP Policy Makers Forum	
4/7/2016	KDE	Education Town Hall Meeting	KHSAA, Lexington, KY
4/11/2016	EPSB	Board Meeting	
4/11/2016	KACTE	Following EPSB Board Meeting	
4/11/2016	KDE	Education Town Hall Meeting	SESC, Corbin, KY
4/13/2016	KBE	Board Meeting	
4/13/2016	NKCES	Board Meeting	
4/14/2016	SESC	Board Meeting	
4/18/2016	KDE	Education Town Hall Meeting	KEDC, Ashland, KY
4/20/2016	CKEC	Board Meeting	
4/20-21/2016	KEDC	Board Meeting	
4/21/2016	KDE	Education Town Hall Meeting	Seneca High School Magnet Career Academy, Louisville, KY
4/22/2016	IHE	Consortium Meeting	
4/25/2016	KDE	Education Town Hall Meeting	James C. and Rachel M. Votruba Student Union, Highland Heights, KY
4/27/2016	OVEC	Board Meeting	
4/27/2016	KVEC	Board Meeting	
4/27/2016	KDE	Education Town Hall Meeting	GRREC

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4/27/2016	WKEC	Board Meeting	
4/28/2016	KDE	CEEDAR Meeting	
4/28/2016	KDE	Education Town Hall Meeting	Murray Middle School, Murray, KY

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EPSB is Monday, April 11, 2016, at 9:00 AM (EDT) in Conference Room A, 100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor, and Frankfort, Kentucky.

EPSB meeting agendas may be found one week prior to the meeting at http://www.epsb.ky.gov/boardinfo/meetingagendas.asp.