

LICENSURE UPDATES

Spring 2015 COPE Meeting

INFORMATIONAL WEBSITES

ISBE

- Educator Prep http://www.isbe.net/licensure/default.htm
- Current Rules <u>http://www.isbe.net/rules/a</u>

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- Proposed Rules <u>http://www.isbe.net/rules/p</u>
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Other

- o COPE http://www.uis.edu/cehs/resources/cpe/
- Testing (ILTS) http://www.il.nesinc.com/

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

- What if student in current ELEM program does not finish by Sept. 1, 2017?
- Rules say student must finish program by 9-1-17 and have PEL issued by 9-1-18.
- Student may finish program during FA 17 semester if allowed by university, but will only get 1st-6th endorsement and not K-9 endorsement they may have intended to earn.

TEACHER PREP (ELEM, MS, SECE)

• APT test – is the requirement being removed?

- o Current advice from ISBE is to have FA 15 student teachers "hold off" on registering/taking the APT as it is hoped legislation will be passed to say that those passing the edTPA will not need to also pass the APT.
- This is NOT yet in LAW.

Principal & Superintendent

- Current statute requires Illinois teaching experience to qualify for these endorsements. This is problematic for out of state recruitment by K-12 and higher ed.
- Rulemaking is underway to drop the word "Illinois" from the statute. This will be out for public comment over the next few months.

GADM (OLD PRINCIPAL PREP)

• Old programs were to end, by law, Summer of 2014. A window may open to allow some who started old program, but not able to finish to complete and earn GADM endorsement even though programs are no longer using this model of principal prep.

• Legislation currently in IL General Assembly would open a window (from date signed by Governor to June 30, 2016) to allow those who finished program by August 2014, but were not endorsed, to test/retest and earn the GADM endorsement instead of starting over in current Principal Prep model.

GENERAL EDUCATOR PREP INFORMATION

• What is the liability if the Licensure Officer does not ensure educator preparation programs follow the rules set forth by ISBE and corresponding state law?

• Closure of programs.

• Institutions are now being asked to be Professional Development Providers; what does this entail?

Form 77-21a and 77-21b must be completed by university and licensed educator. 77-21a must be maintained for 3 years at institution. An annual PD report will also be required of any institution issuing PD credit.

GENERAL INFO CON'T

 Implications of Public Act 098-0716 (TB tests)

- When will the State's relationship with CAEP be decided/outlined?
- TB tests are no longer required by state law for student teachers in grades 1st -12th.

 Districts still have the authority to require a TB test if they desire.
- o SEPLB is revising educator preparation rules to show this relationship. A timeline of when this will be complete is currently not known.

GENERAL INFO CON'T

- What must programs/UIS do if a course number/title is changed, a course is replaced with a new or updated course, etc.?
- ISBE must be notified by completing the "Approved Program Change Notification Form".
- o If ISBE feels the change submitted is substantial, they will request that the full program be reviewed and approved by SEPLB.

QUESTIONS?

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