



DOE DIALOGUE | Weekly Message from Superintendent Ritz June 3, 2014

The Spring 2014 administration of ISTEP+ went well, and results were made available to schools and parents as of 8:00 a.m. last Friday, May 30. Thanks to efforts by numerous teachers and administrators for making Spring 2014 ISTEP+ testing a success!

Below are many messages from IDOE divisions with opportunities for professional development. I am sure I will see many of you at some of these events. Have a great start to the summer break!

The DOE Dialogue will continue to be published each Monday throughout the summer. Feel free to leave comments at doecomm@doe.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Glenda Ritz, Superintendent of Public Instruction

NOTE: * indicates data information requirements for ALL public schools, including charter schools

Indiana Academic Standards Correlation Materials for English Language Arts and Mathematics (2014) The Indiana Department of Education has completed standards correlation materials to support the recent adoption of college-and-career ready Indiana Academic Standards (2014). These can be found at the Indiana Department of Education website at <http://www.doe.in.gov/standards/resources>. These are organized by English Language Arts and Mathematics by grade level and course where appropriate.

Memorandum

MEMORANDUM: The Office of Student Assessment is pleased to announce opportunities for educators to serve on four [Assessment Committees](#) this summer: (1) Item review for English/Language Arts assessments based on the college-and-career ready Indiana Academic Standards 2014; (2) Item review for Mathematics assessments based on the college-and-career ready Indiana Academic Standards 2014; (3) Item review for current ISTEP+ Science assessments; and (4) Item review for current ISTEP+ Social Studies assessments. Assessment Committee participants will be selected from a pool of educators. Interested teachers, instructional coaches, and building/corporation administrators can add their names to the pool of educators by completing and submitting [this survey](#) on or before Thursday, June 12, 2014.

MEMORANDUM: The Department of Education would like to recognize all local educators selected as their 2014 district Teacher of the Year (TOY). Please send a press announcement or the educator's name, school and grade level/content area to doecomm@doe.in.gov. Feel free to send any local media coverage of your announcement as well. **Don't forget** that your local district TOY has until July 9th, 2014 to [apply](#) to be next year's Indiana Teacher of the Year!

MEMORANDUM: Farm to School Steering Committee Meeting - Wednesday, June 11th from 9:00-10:30am

- Procurement Small Group Meeting - Wednesday, June 18th from 10:00-11:00am
- Education Small Group Meeting - Friday, June 27th from 9:30-10:30am

If you will be attending in person to any of the above meetings, please see below for address. Indiana Farm Bureau, 225 South East Street Indianapolis, IN 46202 If you will be calling-in to any of the above meetings,

please see below for number. Free Conference Call Conference Dial-in Number: **(712) 432-1212**, Meeting ID: **255-797-144#**
contact **Maggie Stephon, Wellness Specialist** Indiana Department of Education, Ph (317) 232-2130 Email:
mstephon@doe.in.gov

MEMORANDUM: The June [Hoosier Family of Readers Newsletter](#) is now available! Don't miss the [updated login information for myON Reader](#) and many resources for parent and student engagement.

MEMORANDUM: The Indiana Department of Education would like to gather information from all building principals to help guide future professional development. This quick survey will inform our work on the needs of building principals to better support their teachers and to help develop more effective and highly effective teachers. Please complete the survey by June 20, 2014. The survey can be found [here](#). If you have questions, please email Sarah Pies at spies@doe.in.gov.

MEMORANDUM: The submission of your 2014-15 Elementary Reading Plan is due by June 30, 2014. Pursuant to state regulations, the State Board of Education is required to request that all State Board accredited schools with kindergarten through grade 3 submit an annual Elementary Reading Plan. Reading Plans should be submitted [online](#). Principals must utilize their personal school/pin login to access DOE Online.

MEMORANDUM: The Indiana Department of Education is offering a 2-Day [New School Nurse Orientation](#) on July 29 and 30, 2014 for any school nurse with less than 2 years of experience. Topics to be discussed are health laws impacting schools, a yearly calendar of school nurse responsibilities, screenings and reports, managing chronic health conditions such as diabetes, asthma, severe food allergies and seizures, and writing IHP's. There is no fee for this training, but participants will be responsible for their own travel, hotel, and meal expenses. To register for this workshop, click [here](#).

MEMORANDUM: The Literacy Specialists at the Indiana Department of Education invite high school English, Social Studies, Science, and Math teachers to attend the [College and Career Ready Bridge Course Summit for Literacy and Math Readiness](#) in Indianapolis on June 23-25 at Avon High School to learn about the SREB Readiness Courses. Administrators, guidance counselors, and literacy coaches are also encouraged to attend this training. We ask that at least 4 teachers (one from each discipline) plus one additional staff member attend this summit. The deadline to [register](#) for the summit is June 13!

MEMORANDUM: The Title I Team, with support from American Institutes for Research, will be hosting a [Title I Summit](#) in Indianapolis on June 19th. The keynote speaker for the event will be Dr. Tim Shanahan - known for his research and work on reading, English Language Learners, and Urban Education. The FREE event will also feature Superintendent Ritz, Indiana Title I Distinguished Schools, High Performing and School Improvement Secondary Schools, as well as the National Center for Families Learning. Topics will include literacy, response to intervention, closing the achievement gap, data, building community partners, and parent involvement. Elementary and secondary educators, administrators, and coaches are invited to attend. [Registration Information](#) can be found on the Indiana Department of Education Title I webpage.

MEMORANDUM: The Indiana School Safety Academy is co-sponsoring a regional training on July 18 in Indianapolis titled "Teen Dating Violence/Sexual Assault: Creating a Safe Environment at School", presented by Chris Warren from the Domestic Violence Network and Colleen Yeakle from the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Participants at this training will receive one day of annual Safety Specialist re-certification for the 2014-2015 school year. Registration and additional information are available [online](#).

MEMORANDUM: The Outreach Division of School Improvement is inviting you to participate in an [administrator book study](#) this summer. The *purpose* of the book study is to build instructional leadership capacity, increase networking opportunities across the State, and provide tools to implement school-wide best-practices. By the end of the book study, you will not only have had conversations with your peers, but will also leave with "book study in a box" type resources to utilize and lead a book study with your own staff. The book study starts the week of June 16th and will last 4-6 weeks depending upon the book that you choose. Register for the book study [here](#).

Information From Other Agencies

Indiana students earn recognition at international DECA conference. [DECA](#), a Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO), prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management. DECA enhances the preparation for college and careers by integrating student-centered projects that connect student learning to real-work contexts. During the school year, approximately 120,000 of DECA's 200,000 student members take part in the organization's competitive events that simulate real-life business

scenarios and test students' academic understanding and skills development. The DECA International Career Development Conference was the pinnacle of competition where nearly 10,000 students vied for international honors. Nearly \$500,000 in scholarships and awards were presented to students and teachers for their achievements. Indiana DECA students who received international recognition at DECA conference this year were:

Name of Student	Chapter/Advisor	Event	Place
Allyson Hunsinger	Washington HS, Bill Turner	Learn and Earn Project	FIRST
TJ Bishop	Homestead HS, Brian McNeal	Hospitality & Tourism, Professional Selling	FIRST
Robert Deaton	Carmel HS, Laura Cardamon	Business Finance Series Event	SECOND
Madison Beadles	Jimtown HS, Lots Pinneyi	Professional Selling	SECOND
Saam Mojtahed & Sidarth Singh	Munster HS, Debbie Straka	Business Law & Ethics, Team Decision Making	FOURTH
Daniel Kahn & Zachary Zoccola	Carmel HS, Laura Cardamon	Entrepreneurship Innovation Plan	FIFTH
Therese Capriglione	Munster HS, Debbie Straka	Apparel & Accessories Marketing Series	FIFTH
Riley Boots & Mackenzie McDonald	Brownsburg HS, Steve Bennett	Hospitality Services, Team Decision Making	SIXTH
Mari Lynne Cruz	Frankfort HS, Amanda Graham	Public Relations Project	SEVENTH
Drake Baugh	Carmel HS, Laura Cardamon	Entrepreneurship Participating-Franchise	EIGHTH
Peter Hafner, Bailey Miller & Joey Zirille	Homestead HS, Brian McNeal	Entrepreneurship-Growing Your Business	EIGHTH
Mallory Cammack	Terre Haute South HS, Gen Craft	Business Services Operations, Research	TENTH

The Indiana State House Tour Office in conjunction with the Indiana Center for the Book and the Indiana State Library is hosting an [essay competition](#) to commemorate Indiana Statehood Day 2014, a celebration of Indiana's 198th birthday. To start us thinking about our [200th Statehood Day](#) in 2016, this year's theme is Hoosier Bicentennial Moments. Click [here](#) for additional information on the essay contest. Winners of the Hoosier Bicentennial Moments essay contest will be honored at the Statehood Day Celebration at one of four participating locations on Thursday, December 11, 2014. For additional information regarding events planned for Statehood Day, please visit the [IDOA website](#).

The Indiana Council for Economic Education (ICEE) is accepting nominations and applications for the 2014 Olin Davis Award for Exemplary Teaching of Economics. This distinguished award is presented each year to K-12 teachers who have excelled in teaching and promoting the teaching of economics or personal finance. One outstanding teacher will be selected as the statewide winner. Regional winners will each receive \$500 and the statewide winner receives \$1,000. These awards are made possible by the generous support of Indiana Farm Bureau and Farm Bureau Insurance. All will be honored at the Annual Awards Program of the ICEE in the fall of 2014. [Applications](#) are due in the ICEE office by June 30. More details are available [online](#). Contact Jeff Sanson, ICEE Executive Director, at jj Sanson@purdue.edu or by phone at 765-494-0188 if you have additional questions.

Managing Classrooms to Prevent Bullying: Everyone at school can work together to create a climate where bullying is not acceptable. Learn how teachers can create ground rules with students and set clear expectations for behavior: <http://1.usa.gov/1kOADxj>

Legislative Updates

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