

# Kentucky Ed Prep Update

From the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board's Educator Preparation Division

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## EPSB Update memo

The December 2013 Update Memo from EPSB Executive Director Robert Brown is available at <http://www.epsb.ky.gov/boarinfo/news.asp>.

## Calendar Notes

### EPSB January meeting

January 6, 2014  
9:00 a.m. EST

### AACTE Annual Conference

March 1-3, 2014  
J.W. Marriott Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN

### EPSB March meeting

March 3, 2014  
9:00 a.m. EST  
Agenda posted 10 days prior to the meeting.

### CAEP Spring Conference

March 26-28, 2014  
Renaissance Nashville  
Nashville, TN

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## Option 6 Alternative Certification Regulation Changes in Effect

Several changes to [16 KAR 9:080](#), the regulation governing Option 6 Alternative Certification Programs, became effective December 6, 2013. Preparation programs and P-12 schools that employ teachers in alternative certification programs should review the regulation and become familiar with its requirements. The distribution of at least 15 hours of annual observation of the candidate delivering instruction in a classroom setting and requirements for a written individualized mentoring plan submitted to the EPSB are among the changes. If you need more information about the revised requirements, please contact John Fields, Certification Division Director, [john.fields@ky.gov](mailto:john.fields@ky.gov).

## CAEP Alliance Meeting Held in Louisville

The CAEP State Alliance for Clinical Preparation and Partnerships held its fall meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, December 3-5, 2013. An interactive panel discussion with candidates, practicing teachers, and administrators involved in the University of Louisville's clinical preparation model and a visit to a clinical preparation site highlighted the invitational meeting. Additional information, handouts, and presentations from the meeting are available on the [CAEP web site](#). The Alliance was featured in the December 11, 2013, [CAEP Update](#). The EPSB will renew Kentucky's Alliance membership on January 6, 2014.

## Training for Cooperating Teachers and University Supervisors

[16 KAR 5:040](#) governs student teaching, including requirements for cooperating teachers and university supervisors of student teachers in Kentucky preparation programs (Section 2 for cooperating teachers, Section 5 for university supervisors). Before serving in these roles, cooperating teachers and university supervisors must receive training on (a) the basic responsibilities associated with the role; (b) best practice in supporting the student teacher; and (c) effective assessment of the student teacher. For information, please see the Whom to Contact sidebar on page 2.

*Update: As of 1/2/14, 3,783 aspiring cooperating teachers and university supervisors have completed the Edmodo quiz on 16 KAR 5:040 to satisfy requirement (a) and have been issued certificates. Nearly 2,000 have completed both that quiz and co-teaching training to satisfy requirement (b). Congratulations!*

## Why Edmodo?

[Edmodo](#) is a free social learning network designed for educators, students, and parents. As of January 1, 2014, Edmodo had more than 30 million users, including thousands of Kentuckians. The Educator Preparation Division chose Edmodo as a platform because it is familiar and accessible to educators with whom we need to communicate-- unlike most social working sites, Edmodo is not blocked by P-12 school networks. The division invites discussion of current articles and issues related to educator preparation in Edmodo groups. Please see the Whom to Contact sidebar on page 2 for contact information about Edmodo.

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## January 2014 EPSB Meeting

The January 2014 EPSB meeting will begin at 9:00 EST, January 6, in the third floor board room. The [agenda](#) for the meeting and the [agenda book](#) are available online. KACTE will meet immediately after the board goes into closed session. A board work session is planned for 5:30-7:30 p.m. EST, January 5. The board will hear presentations about the current [NCATE standards](#) in use in Kentucky, [Kentucky's accreditation process](#), new [CAEP standards](#) the board will consider in the near future, and [structural changes to NCATE](#) as a result of the [transition to CAEP](#).

Several items of special interest to educator preparation programs are on the January 2014 EPSB agenda. One is a committee report from the Literacy Preparation Advisory Committee (LPAC). As reported in the unofficial minutes of the [October 2013 meeting](#) (p. 4, January 2014 agenda), the EPSB heard preliminary recommendations from LPAC and asked for additional information regarding a content literacy requirement for secondary certification candidates. Another item of particular interest is a committee report from the Program and Accreditation Review Committee (PARC) describing the steps it has taken toward updating the program review system since its last [report to the board](#). PARC will present a revised program review template and request authorization for EPSB staff to continue with work using that template as the foundation for an online program review application.

## Reporting Spring 2014 Cooperating Teacher Assignments

If you are involved in reporting cooperating teacher assignments but missed Sandra Stanley's December 27, 2013, email sent to cooperating teacher assignment contacts, please note: EPSB Information Technology staff members are updating the admission and exit reporting system. To ensure that these updates are in use as soon as possible, please wait to enter spring 2014 data in the cooperating teacher reporting system. Ms. Stanley will send an email to cooperating teacher assignment contacts as soon as the system is ready for new information to be entered. If you are a primary contact for cooperating teacher information but did not receive the December 27 email, please let us know by sending your contact information to Ms. Stanley at [sandra.stanley@ky.gov](mailto:sandra.stanley@ky.gov)

## Data You Can Use

The Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics (KCEWS) [2013 High School Feedback Report](#) provides school- and district-level data on college-going and college success.

The [2013 Tell Kentucky Survey](#) (Teaching, Empowering, Leading, Learning) report presents survey results about Kentucky educators' teaching conditions.

Results of the EPSB's [New Teacher Survey](#) are available on the EPSB web site.

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**All Ed Prep staff have additional areas of responsibility. If you do not see a contact for your question, email Janice Linville for assistance.**