

BUCKEYE LOCAL LPDC MEETING
September 2008

The following items were discussed during the September meeting held at the Jefferson County Educational Service Center.

1. The next date for the Jefferson County LPDC is October 15th, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. at the Jefferson County Educational Service Center.
2. Teacher and Administration IPDP packets will be distributed at district superintendents' offices within the next few days. Forms are also available on line. Please remember to **read the directions carefully** when completing your IPDP, especially when checking the boxes on the form. If you have questions please contact one of your district LPDC members. Educators who have multiple license types will have increased flexibility regarding the alignment of license validity periods. One may now choose to maintain credentials on separate licenses or together on one. Each one has advantages as well as disadvantages regarding cost and flexibility. If you have questions, please see your building representative.
Now is the time to begin organizing paperwork if your license expires in 09. Do not submit anything until January of 09.

3. **Professional Development for the LPDC 2008-2009**

Sam Mauk and Jeff Oblak (JCESC) led the presentation for the September meeting featuring "The Revised Child Abuse Prevention Program." We will be hearing more on this at a later date. Your suggestions and support are vital if we are to optimize our Professional Development efforts for the future. Please contact an LPDC member if you have an idea for professional development. Buckeye Local will be presenting in March of 09.

4. **ODE Process for Inactivation of Certain Permanent and 8- year Certificates**

As you are aware, ODE has communicated aggressively with districts and with educators who hold eight-year, permanent, or permanent non-tax certificates. They have been notified that those certificates would be inactivated if they did not submit fingerprints for mandated BCII and FBI background checks by September 5, 2008.

ODE plans to use the following process regarding any inactivation of certificates:

Week of Sept. 8th - BCII will run a final query to determine a current list of working educators with 8-year, permanent, or permanent non-tax certificates. The list will include anyone who, according to ODE records, has not submitted fingerprints to BCII.

Week of Sept. 15th – ODE will send an e-mail to superintendents and treasurers asking them to verify that the ODE list is correct, based on their employment records.

Simultaneously – ODE will send letters to educators who do not have a record of fingerprints being submitted and provide them with instructions on how to comply.

Approximately 15 days after educators should have received the letter – inactivation of the credential will begin.

If a license is inactivated – the educator, the district superintendent, and treasurer will be notified.

To reactivate the license – educator simply has to submit prints for the background checks.

It is important to remember that if certificate holders are currently working under another valid license, the inactivation should not affect their employment unless and until they wish to work under the inactivated certificate.

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