

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Title III (LIPLEPS/IEP), TBE, and TPI Program Directors/Coordinators  
**FROM:** Robin M. Lisboa, Division Administrator for English Language Learning  
**DATE:** August 26, 2005  
**RE:** Administrators' Workshops Scheduled for 2005-06

We are pleased to announce, in conjunction with the Illinois Resource Center, a series of workshops expressly designed for directors of Transitional Programs of Instruction (TPI) and Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE) programs. The calendars that follow list the topics to be addressed by these workshops during this academic year.

<b>IRC Administrative Training Sessions for 2005-06</b>	
<i>Pre-registration via the IRC is necessary. There may be a modest fee per participant, where indicated. To register for workshops visit the Illinois Resource Center (IRC) website at <a href="http://www.thecenterweb.org">www.thecenterweb.org</a>, review the applicable IRC Fall and/or Spring Workshop brochures or call 847-803-3112.</i>	
<b>Date(s) and Site(s)</b>	<b>Title(s)</b>
<b>September 20-21, 2005</b> Illinois Resource Center (IRC), Des Plaines, IL Fee: \$10  <i>Institute to be repeated (see below)</i>	<b>2-Day TBE/TPI Leadership Institute*</b> <b>Day 1: The Rights of Immigrant Students and English Language Learners:</b> Understanding Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE) and Transitional Programs of Instruction (TPI) Requirements: State and Federal Statutory Issues. <b>Day 2: New TBE/TPI Directors' Workshop</b> Leadership issues, policies, practices and pedagogical considerations.
<b>September 27-28, 2005</b> SW Cook County Cooperative Ass'n for Special Education, Oak Forest, IL Fee: \$10	
<b>October 19, 2005 or April 4, 2006</b> Illinois Resource Center (IRC), Des Plaines, IL	<b>Bilingual and ESL Teacher Certification and Approval:</b> What Teachers and Administrators Need to Know Concerning Requirements and Application Procedures.
<b>December 8, 2005 or March 1, 2006</b> Illinois Resource Center (IRC), Des Plaines, IL	<b>Program Design for English Language Learners:</b> Crafting appropriate instructional service delivery frameworks
<b>Dates/Sites TBD</b>	<b>The ISBE Consolidated Application*</b>
<b>04/20/06</b> Illinois Resource Center (IRC), Des Plaines, IL	<b>Designing an Effective Professional Development Plan:</b> Strategies and key elements with a scientific research base, of a successful professional development plan for all staff responsible for the instruction of ELLs.
<b>05/18/06</b> Illinois Resource Center (IRC), Des Plaines, IL	<b>Increasing Parent Involvement:</b> Strategies for administrators to boost ELL parent involvement , with special emphasis on establishing the required Parent Advisory Committee or PAC
<b>*These workshops are required for all new TBE/TPI program directors/coordinators</b>	

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On **September 20 and 21, 2005**, a *required* two-day workshop for new program directors/coordinators will be offered. Entitled "TBE/TPI Leadership Institute," its purpose is to provide a basic understanding of pertinent legal requirements from the federal and state perspectives, as well as an overview of relevant leadership issues, including discussions on pedagogically sound frameworks for service delivery to ELLs, strategies for fiscal management of grants, policies and practices for effective and efficient assessment and data collection, and an opportunity to network with other TBE/TPI directors/coordinators. This 2-day workshop will be repeated on September 27 and 28, at the Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education in Oak Forest. Registration for either two-day workshop will begin at 8:30 a.m., with the sessions starting promptly at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 3:00 p.m. ***Pre-registration via the IRC is necessary and there will be a cost of \$10.00 per participant. To register for the workshop visit the IRC website at [www.thecenterweb.org](http://www.thecenterweb.org) or call 847-803-3112.***

You may also wish to take note of other, related events reflected in the enclosed calendars, as they would greatly benefit your services for English language learners (ELLs). These include additional professional development opportunities related to ELLs, as well as regional workshops concerning the new requirements for ELLs in 2005-06 pertaining to the Illinois English language proficiency standards and assessment through ACCESS for ELLs™. One such workshop to be offered on September 15, 2005, has been specifically designed for those who are new and did not have an opportunity to attend the sessions on the state's new English language proficiency standards that had been offered last year. It is the goal of these workshops to assist school administrators and other personnel in planning the implementation of the English language proficiency standards as they impact curriculum, instruction and assessment.

Lastly, if you would like to request technical assistance regarding program management, please contact our Division at (312) 814-3850. I wish you and your programs much success and look forward to meeting you throughout the year.

Enclosures

### Additional Professional Development Opportunities Related to English Language Learners

Date(s) and Site(s)	Title	Sponsors	Registration
October 4, 2005 <b>Madison County ROE</b> (*)Registration: <a href="http://www.madison.k12.il.us">www.madison.k12.il.us</a>	<b>Paths to High Levels of Learning and Achievement for ELLs</b> (English Language Learners).	Illinois Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ILASCD), interested Regional Offices of Education (ROEs) and the Illinois Resource Center (IRC).	<i>Pre-registration via ROE/ISC is required (*)</i>
March 8, 2005 <b>South Cook ROE</b> (*)Registration: <a href="http://www.s-cook.org">www.s-cook.org</a> or call Karen Starnes at 708.754.6600	Additional information also available through ILASCD's <i>Hot Topics</i> publication or at <a href="http://www.illinoisascd.org">www.illinoisascd.org</a>		<b>A.A.Credit ?</b>
October 13-14, 2005 IRC, Des Plaines, IL <i>See 2005 IRC Fall Workshops brochure</i>	<b>Two-Day Workshop – Special Education Considerations and English Language Learners (ELLs): Preventing Inappropriate and Assuring Appropriate Referrals of ELLs to Special Education</b>	Illinois Resource Center (IRC)	<i>Pre-registration via IRC is required</i> Cost: \$60
February 6-7, 2006 IRC, Des Plaines, IL <i>See 2006 IRC Winter Workshops brochure</i>			<i>To register, see either the IRC website at <a href="http://www.thecenterweb.org">www.thecenterweb.org</a>, or the IRC workshops brochures, or call 847.803.3112.</i>
September 19, 2005 Crowne Plaza, Mundelein, IL	<b>Introduction to the State's New English Language Proficiency Standards for English Language Learners, K-12 and ACCESS for ELLs</b>	Illinois Principals Association (IPA) and the Illinois Resource Center (IRC)	<i>Pre-registration via IPA required. Please visit <a href="http://www.ilprincipals.org">www.ilprincipals.org</a></i>
September 27, 2005 Holiday Inn Itasca, IL			<b>A.A.Credit ?</b>
			Pending
October 18, 2005 Springfield, IL (Principals Professional Conference)	<b>Building and District Level Strategies That Increase Academic Achievement for ELLs</b>	Illinois Principals Association (IPA) and the Illinois Resource Center (IRC)	<i>Pre-registration via IPA required. Please visit <a href="http://www.ilprincipals.org">www.ilprincipals.org</a></i>
November 15, 2005 Crowne Plaza, Mundelein, IL			<b>A.A.Credit ?</b>
February 23, 2006 Holiday Inn, Itasca, IL			Pending
January 23-26, 2006 Doubletree Hotel (formerly the Hyatt Oak Brook) Oak Brook, IL	<b>29<sup>th</sup> Annual Statewide Conference for Teachers of Linguistically and Culturally Diverse Students</b>	Illinois Resource Center (IRC), Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and Illinois Association for Multilingual Multicultural Education (IAMME)	<i>Pre-registration via IRC is required. To register, please visit <a href="http://www.thecenterweb.org">www.thecenterweb.org</a>, or see the conference brochure available in late November 2005.</i>
March 2 and 3, 2006 ILASCD Statewide Kindergarten Conference Sheraton Chicago Northwest Hotel Arlington Heights, IL	<b>Crafting Policies and Practices That Accelerate Achievement for ELLs at the Early Primary Grades</b>	Illinois Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ILASCD)	<i>Pre-registration via ILASCD is required. More information found at <a href="http://www.illinoisascd.org">www.illinoisascd.org</a>.</i>
			<b>A.A.Credit ?</b>
			Yes

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY STANDARDS/ACCESS FOR ELLs™ WORKSHOPS**  
**Co-sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education and the Illinois Resource Center**

***“Introduction and Application of the New English Language Proficiency Standards.”***

This workshop is designed for **teams** of administrators and teachers working with English Language Learners. Priority will be given to **teams** consisting of an administrator, an ESL/Bilingual teacher, and a general education teacher. The goal of the workshop is to equip educators with strategies for the implementation of the standards in the classroom. Implications with regards to the new ACCESS™ screener and annual assessment will also be discussed.

There is no fee for this workshop. Coffee will be provided, and participants will be given a mid-day break to purchase lunch. **Note: This workshop is targeted to educators who did NOT attend any English language proficiency standards workshops during the 2004-05 school year.**

**Pre-registration is required. Forms are available at <http://www.thecenterweb.org/irc/pdf/sept15.pdf>**  
**Limited enrollment. Registrations to be taken on a first come, first served basis. Mail registration to: ILLINOIS RESOURCE CENTER, 1855 Mt. Prospect Rd., Des Plaines, IL 60018**

Date and Site	Time
<b>Thursday, September 15, 2005</b> Harper College Wojcik Conference Center Auditorium 1200 W Algonquin Rd., Palatine, IL 60067I	8:30 to 9:00 Registration (*) 9:00 to 3:00 Workshop

***“New Requirements for English Language Learners (ELLs) in 2005-06: The Illinois English Proficiency Standards and Overview of the ACCESS for ELLs™ Screener”***

- ***The impact of the English language proficiency standards on instruction and assessment for ELLs in Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE) programs, Transitional Programs of Instruction (TPI), and general education classrooms***
- ***Tools to assist you in planning for curriculum, instruction and classroom assessment***
- ***Review of how ACCESS for ELLs™ is organized***
- ***Overview of the four language domains assessed by ACCESS for ELLs™***
- ***Guidelines for administration and teacher scoring of ACCESS for ELLs™ screener subtests***
- ***Logistical considerations for the annual ACCESS for ELLs™ assessment to be administered from January 30 to March 10, 2006.***

***This is an opportunity for district/school teams to learn and plan together while addressing organizational, curricular and assessment needs of ELLs for this coming school year. Therefore, it is highly recommended that teams comprised of TBE/TPI and general education teachers along with school administrators (e.g., curriculum directors, principals, district program coordinators) attend these workshops.***

Coffee and lunch will be provided. Forms are available at <http://www.thecenterweb.org/irc>. Mail registration forms to: THE CENTER/ILLINOIS RESOURCE CENTER, P.O. Box 2401, Bedford Park, IL 60499-2401. Enrollment is limited and registration will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

Date(s) and Site(s)	Registration	Time
Friday, September 30, 2005 Southern Illinois University-Carbondale Mississippi Room, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Carbondale, IL 62901-4407	<b>Fee: \$25</b> <b>Pre-registration required.</b>	8:30 to 9:00 Registration 9:00 to 4:00 Workshop
Wednesday, October 5, 2005 College of Lake County Auditorium 19351 W. Washington St., Grayslake, IL 60030-1198	<b>Fee: \$25</b> <b>Pre-registration required.</b>	8:30 to 9:00 Registration 9:00 to 4:00 Workshop

***“New Requirements for English Language Learners (ELLs) in 2005-06: The Illinois English Proficiency Standards and Overview of the ACCESS for ELLs™ Screener” (Continued)***

<b>Date(s) and Site(s)</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Time</b>
Thursday, October 20, 2005 South Cook Intermediate Service Ctr. Seminar Room 1 253 Joe Orr Rd. Chicago, IL 60411	<b>Fee: \$25</b> <b>Pre-registration required.</b>	8:30 to 9:00 Registration 9:00 to 4:00 Workshop
Thursday, October 27, 2005 Elgin Community College Business Conference Center Seigel Auditorium, Room BCC 141 1700 Spartan Dr. Elgin, IL 60123	<b>Fee: \$25</b> <b>Pre-registration required.</b>	8:30 to 9:00 Registration 9:00 to 4:00 Workshop
Wednesday, November 2, 2005 Educational Service Center Bloomington School District 87 300 E. Monroe Bloomington, IL 61701	<b>Fee: \$25</b> <b>Pre-registration required.</b>	8:30 to 9:00 Registration 9:00 to 4:00 Workshop

**Other Relevant Events**

<b>Date(s) and Site(s)</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Sponsors</b>	<b>Registration</b>
March 11, 2006 The Lodge at McDonald's Office Campus Oak Brook, IL	<b>Job Fair</b>	Illinois Resource Center (IRC)	Contact John Hilliard at the IRC at <a href="mailto:jhilliard@thecenterweb.org">jhilliard@thecenterweb.org</a> for additional information.