



# Illinois State Board of Education

## Educator Preparation Fall Licensure Officer Training

October 24 & 25, 2023

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# Today's Agenda

- Prep Team Liaisons
- Rule & Law Updates and Clarifications
- Projects & Initiatives
- Quick Reminders
- Questions
- New LO Training
- Questions

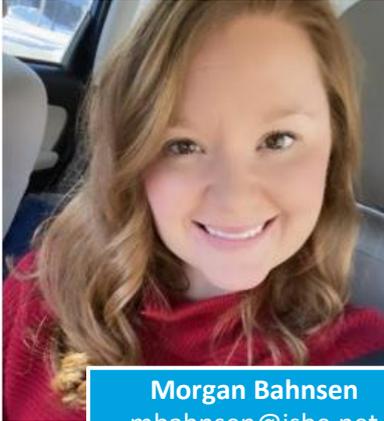


# PREP TEAM LIAISONS

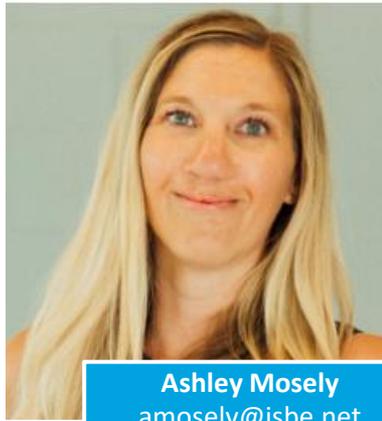


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Eastern Illinois University	Bradley University	Illinois College	Elmhurst University	Benedictine University
Greenville University	Chicago State University	Judson University	Erikson Institute	DePaul University
Hebrew Theological	Lake Forest College	National Louis University	Knox College	Eureka College
Illinois State University	Loyola University	North Central College	Lewis University	Governors State University
Millikin University	Monmouth College	Northwestern University	McKendree University	Illinois Wesleyan University
New Leaders	Northeastern Illinois University	Saint Xavier University	Northern Illinois University	North Park University Chicago
Quincy University	Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	Olivet Nazarene University	Southern Illinois University Carbondale
Rockford University	The Chicago School of Pro Psychology	The University of Chicago	Relay/GSE	Trinity International University
Roosevelt University	Western Illinois University	University of Saint Francis	St. Augustine College	University of Illinois Springfield
University of Illinois Chicago	Wheaton College	Moody Bible Institute	Trinity Christian College	University of Illinois Urbana- Champaign
			Vandercook College of Music	

# Liaison Communication

- Reach out directly to your Prep Liaison for:
  - Preparation-related questions
  - ELIS issues
  - Program Proposals/Changes/Discontinuations
  - Standard Alignment Materials
- The [preparation@isbe.net](mailto:preparation@isbe.net) email account will still be monitored. You can still use that email if your liaison is out of the office.
- Please do not refer candidates directly to Prep Liaison – they should be working through their Licensure Officer.

# **RULE & LAW UPDATES AND CLARIFICATIONS**



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# PA 102-971 Update: *Safety Education*

- Law effective in 2015, but recent addition of text regarding gun safety storage
- All programs (teaching, school support personnel, and administrative) are required to cover “Safety Education” as part of their program curriculum, so long as the content is appropriate for the grade level of the educator license.
- Can be incorporated via existing coursework or add new courses

# PA 102-971 Update: *Safety Education*

“Safety Education” includes instruction in the following:

- **automobile safety, including traffic regulations, high safety, and the consequences of alcohol** (recommended for Secondary education programs)
- **safety in the home, including safe gun storage** (recommended for all programs)
- **safety in connection with recreational activities** (recommended for all programs)
- **safety in and around school buildings** (recommended for all programs)
- **safety in connection with vocational work or training** (recommended for Middle Grades and Secondary Education programs)
- **cardio-pulmonary resuscitation for students** (recommended for Middle Grade and Secondary Education programs)

IHEs will be asked to complete an assurance form by December 1, 2023 to confirm they are aware of this Rule and recent changes. More info to come via email soon.

# Law Change: *Elimination of edTPA*

## PA 103-0488

- Effective immediately (Aug. 4) through August 31, 2025, no candidate completing a teacher preparation program or other candidate is required to pass a teacher performance assessment.
- Teacher Performance Assessment Task Force will evaluate potential assessment systems for 2025 implementation
  - **Updates October 11, 2023:**
    - Task Force invitations have been sent out to stakeholder groups and we are awaiting responses.
    - Meetings will be public.
    - There will be a website devoted to task force agendas, minutes and updates
- **Update October 18, 2023:** ELIS no longer requires the edTPA

# PROJECTS & INITIATIVES



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# Licensure Officer Advisory Group

- ISBE recently started holding monthly meetings for a Licensure Officer Advisory Group to assist with:
  - Input and feedback on processes, including entitlement audit and data reporting
  - Inform updates for the entitlement wizard and data collection
  - Share common LO questions
  - Alert ISBE to ELIS concerns
  - Suggest changes and improvements on ISBE website
  - Suggestions for improvement

# Directory of Approved Programs (DOAP) Clean Up

DOAP updates are underway

- Making changes to reflect APR listings
- Removal of Endorsement column
- Splitting up listings to reflect program type, level, and mode of delivery
- Updating contacts to primary LO, as listed in APR
  - Let ISBE liaison know if this should be someone else
- Will have IHEs verify

# CRTL and Diverse Educator Initiatives

- **CRTL Standard Alignment**
  - Keep meeting with WestEd coaches (2 more between now and Nov 2024)
  - Alignment materials can be sent to your liaison, but we are holding off on reviewing them until we have a Review Rubric from WestEd, which is currently in its second draft
  - Have received multiple questions about expectations – putting out an updated FAQ document soon
- **Diverse Educator Recruitment and Retention**
  - We are now reframing this project and focusing on providing IHEs with support to look at their data and make plans to offer strategies to consider and opportunities to learn from peers.
  - Watch your email for additional information coming soon!

# QUICK UPDATES & REMINDERS



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# ILTS Updates

- Vouchers being distributed to Primary Licensure Officer
  - Based on last year's Title II data
- Early Childhood Education Content Test
  - Discussion of FLEX option
    - Currently being explored by ISBE, not an option at this time
    - For candidates who have already taken the test and are near passing
    - Usually a written test over a specific test objective
  - Free Practice Test
    - For ECE test only
  - Enhanced review and validation
    - Pearson bias/equity review of all items in the test bank is complete
    - Pearson psychometric review of test items and test data is in progress



# Updated Program Change Form

- COMING SOON! *Gathering feedback from stakeholders.*
- Program **Change Form** is appropriate for:
  - Course title/number changes
  - Switching mode of delivery to online with no other content change
  - Modifying less than 50% or less of course content
  - Adding an additional world language program
- New **Program Proposal** is appropriate for:
  - Replacing coursework with micro-credentials
  - Modifying 50% or more of course content
  - Implementing a new pathway
    - Adding a grad option to an existing undergrad program
    - Adding an alternative program option to existing program
    - Adding an apprenticeship addendum (coming soon!)

# Reminder: Transcript Review

## IHE

- Any interested candidate who has a degree or prior coursework needs to work with the IHE to determine what needs to be completed to meet program requirements.
- IHE has authority as an approved provider to conduct these and make the determination.

## ISBE

- ISBE does not perform transcript audits to determine "missing coursework, tests, etc."
- Please discourage candidates from applying to ISBE to get a deficiency letter.
- ISBE requires full program completion. If we cannot find evidence of full program completion, we will issue deficiency letter for 80-09 (in state) or 80-02(out of state).



# LOOKING AHEAD



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# Illinois Educator Preparation Profiles (IEPP) Release

- Anticipated release date: December 15, 2023
- Each institution will receive a reauthorization score for each program
  - Reauthorization Letters sent to Deans/Department Heads and Licensure Officers, as listed in APR Contacts
- **New this year:**
  - Programs that received "Reauthorized with Conditions" will be required to submit a Remediation Action Plan
- More details to come soon in December IEPP Webinar – watch your email for registration link!



# Entitlement Audits

Entitlement Audit Event	Timeframe
Entitlement Audit Webinar	January 2024
Entitlement Audit engagement materials sent to selected EPPs (Letter, ELIS data, EA PPP doc)	January 2024
Selected EPPs compile and submit required documentation to ISBE	February 2024
ISBE conducts audits and prepares Entitlement Audit Report	February 2024-April 2024
Entitlement Audit Report sent to EPPs requesting further clarification/documentation (if needed)	April 2024
EPP prepares requested clarification/documentation	April 2024
ISBE reviews final materials and prepares Final Report – (Final Reports shared with EPP no later than June 2022)	May 2024
EPPs review Final Report and have 60 days to submit Remediation Plan (if applicable)	June 2024
Entitlement Audit Report including Remediation Plan reviewed by SEPLB and State Board	TBD



# Annual Program Reporting (APR)

- Reporting window will be open from February 1, 2024 – April 30, 2024
- Begin preparing now!
  - Ensure all candidates are entered into Pre-Completion
  - Ensure enrollment dates are accurate
  - Update changes in APR Contact List
- More details to come in February APR Webinar - watch your email for registration link!



**QUESTIONS?**



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**THANK YOU FOR COMING!**  
*(New LOs ... please stick around!)*



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