



Division of English Language Learning (DELL)

DELL e-broadcast 2015-289: DELL Newsletter

Aug. 7, 2015

Dear Program Directors:

DELL General Announcements

SY 2015-2016 Key Dates

You can visit our website for the Key Dates for the upcoming school year.

<http://www.isbe.net/bilingual/pdfs/key-dates.pdf>

Please note that these dates have been compiled for your convenience. Please visit our website periodically for the most updated information, as dates may change and new information will be added.

You can view also directly view:

SIS-specific information: http://www.isbe.net/sis/html/key_dates.htm

Assessment: <http://www.isbe.net/assessment/default.htm>

Coming Soon — Webinars for EL Administrators

DELL is excited to announce an upcoming release of administrative resources. This summer, DELL created a 6-part webinar series designed to introduce program directors to the administrative requirements of a bilingual program. The titles of the 6-part webinar series are as follows:

Module 1: Federal Rules and Regulations

Module 2: Identification and Screening of English learners

Module 3: Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE) and Transitional Program of Instruction (TPI) Requirements

Module 4: Educator Licensure Requirements

Module 5: Grants and Funding

Module 6: Accountability and Compliance Monitoring

The webinars have been recorded. Links to the webinars and PDF versions of the presentations will be posted soon. Stay tuned!

ISBE-Sponsored Conferences and Workshops

Annual Program Directors' Meeting

Registration for the previously announced Program Directors' Meeting is not open. Please visit the IRC's website for information on how to register (please remember that each district can send up to two people this year, since we have moved to a larger venue);

<http://www.thecenterweb.org/irc/>

You can find the memo about Program Directors' Meeting on our website:

<http://www.isbe.net/bilingual/conf/prog-dir/fy16/save-the-date.pdf>

We look forward to seeing you all in September!

New Leadership Workshop: Copies of Presentations

If you were unable to join us in Bloomington this year for our workshop for new EL administrators, you can visit our website to see the archived agenda with presentation links:

<http://www.isbe.net/bilingual/conf/new-ldrshp/2015/nl-agenda-15.pdf>

ISBE-Sponsored WIDA Workshops

Please see the updated catalog for the 2015-2016 workshops:

<http://www.isbe.net/bilingual/pdfs/wida-prof-dev15-16.pdf>

In the News

[*ESEA Rewrite and Waiver Issue: When Should ELLs Count for Accountability*](#) (Ed Weekly, July 21, 2015)

[*Identifying and supporting English learner students with learning disabilities: Key issues in the literature and state practice*](#) (Institute of Education Sciences, July 2015)

[*How Long Does It Take ELLs to Develop English Proficiency?*](#) (Ed Weekly, August 7, 2015)

[*American Academy of Arts & Sciences to Conduct First National Study on Foreign Language Learning in More Than 30 Years*](#) (American Academy of Arts & Sciences, July 30, 2015)

Anna Szuber, Ed.D.

Illinois State Board of Education

Division of English Language Learning

100 W. Randolph, Suite 14-300

Chicago, IL 60601

Phone: (312) 814-3607