

NDE NOTES
NACTE –June 2015

Included in your packets (and posted to the Teacher Education Website):

Flyer announcing the **Continuous Improvement Workshops** for Fall, 2015. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about NDE initiatives with PK-12 colleagues. Target audience definitely includes Educational Administration faculty! Please share this information with them.

Added Endorsement Table. This was sent out last month. In light of ever-growing concerns around teacher supply, we are going to continue to compile this to inform discussions.

ISTE STANDARDS-Just FYI.....something to consider as you address Rule 20 requirements for preparation of all teachers to effectively utilize technology in instruction.

Technology and Ethics: Essential Graduation Requirements. See below for related information regarding ethics.

Teacher Demographics. This was compiled for the Equity Plan recently submitted to USDE.

UPDATES and EVOLVING INITIATIVES:

The State Legislature authorized \$470,000 for **National Board for Professional Teacher Standards Certification** processes. This will include \$5,000 annual stipends for individuals who are Board Certified and payment of the registration fee for individuals pursuing Board Certification. If you work with schools/teachers related to the Board Certification process, please contact Sharon for more information and to be kept advised as the program is implemented.

On June 25th, the **Model Code of Educator Ethics** will be officially released. These have been developed through the collaborative effort of several education stakeholder organizations and is getting a lot of attention by pre-service and inservice educator entities. I will provide you with a link and further information when they are officially released.....along with some questions for your consideration about how these might impact Nebraska.

The **Interstate Teacher Locator Project** continues to evolve. They are seeking participation from additional states and I will be meeting with NDE colleagues to determine if/how we might get involved. This could be an excellent resource for institutions to locate graduates.

Upcoming Events:

June 17-18, 2015 Co-Teaching Workshop. A few slots remain. See Sharon if you have a last-minute addition! This opportunity is intended to provide institutions with information – it is not intended to suggest NDE is recommending this model. Several Nebraska institutions are using a co-teaching approach and report that their participating school partners like this approach – and that student achievement is positively impacted.

September 21, 2015 PK-12 Assessment and Accountability Workshop Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln

This will be an introduction for all higher ed institutions to the Nebraska P-12 Data Reporting System (DRS), and to assist institutions in preparing candidates in the appropriate use of Nebraska student assessment data. Teams of three from each institution are expected to attend (expenses reimbursed.) Bring laptops/several ‘hands on’ sessions are planned. Input from institutions will be welcome concerning next steps.