



# TITLE I PART C

## Education of Migratory Children



January 30, 2023

### BULLETIN



#### January 2023 IMEC Report

Dear MEP Colleagues,

The Interstate Migrant Education Council meets three times a year to discuss issues, opportunities, policies and legislation impacting migrant education. These meetings take place in different locations so that they can also learn from different State MEPs. The meetings that Veronica Estevez and I attended January 18-20th were in San Diego, CA, and so we learned about the California MEP and specifically, their southern region – from the border with Mexico to Disneyland, which consists of 30,000 migrant students!

As you can imagine, the level of funding they have is tremendous and the services they are able to provide was equally so. They shared how they were able to partner with healthcare organizations to fund nineteen mobile health units to provide vaccinations, as well as medical and dental screenings across the region in partnership with agribusinesses. They are able to integrate their data system so that they can pull up assessments scores to identify which students need instructional support. California is also able to support their own State Comprehensive Needs Assessment, Service Delivery Plan, and Annual Evaluation whereas we in Nebraska contract with META Associates to conduct these for us.

A representative from an agribusiness shared how they partner with the California MEP to ensure that their workers' families have access to programs and services by coordinating ID&R. Her top tip was for MEPs to develop relationships with office managers as they are usually the key people within an agribusiness to convince that MEPs are a benefit to their workers and add stability to their workforce through improved health, increased satisfaction and support from the community, and less employee turnover and more returning employees for seasonal work.

On the policy and legislative levels, IMEC was able to secure more funding for Migrant Head Start within the last Congressional budget, but unfortunately not for MEP. Meeting participants were also given an opportunity to provide feedback and ideas for what IMEC should prioritize when meeting with congressional staff.

During and after meetings, Veronica and I were able to network with colleagues from all over the country. One of these conversations led to an opportunity for us to work with another state on a strategy to spread the word to build awareness and understanding about MEP with the goal of encouraging more engagement from the community as a whole in addition to increasing MEP enrollment. We will provide more information about this when we learn more. These informal conversations were particularly helpful to me as I learn about aspects of MEP that I have not had much involvement in the past. Several State Directors invited me to contact them whenever I had questions – and I most certainly will.

For me, the most exciting aspect of these meetings are learning what others states are doing and how they are able to accomplish these. While replicating these ideas is not always feasible within our level of funding and the differences in our resources and population distribution, they do inspire possibilities and creative approaches that can lead to innovation and partnerships to develop something that could work for us. There is a lot of power in the sentence starter, "What if...?" I encourage you to try it out! Let me know what ideas you have that can help us all serve our migrant students and families better. You never know what great things can come out of putting our ideas and skills together!

I hope to see you soon.

Regards,  
Benjamin

#### 2023 Eligibility Refresher

If you missed the January webinar, IDRC YouTube video is available. [Watch now.](#)



Looking for that current MEP form, brochure, service codes, directory, handbook: [Try our Title IC Migrant Education Program website.](#) We've been updating the MEP A-Z Listings.

Just a reminder that our partners at the UNMC Central States for Agricultural Safety and Health have resources in English and Spanish:

<https://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/cscash/resources/index.html>

<https://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/cscash/resources/spanish-resources.html>



## QPR for Farmers and Farm Families

February 16 @ 12 noon CST

[Webinar Registration](#)

### AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY QPR FOR FARMERS AND FARM FAMILIES

Over the last decade, farmers and farm families have experienced increasing pressures resulting in high levels of stress, mental health issues and suicide.



What is QPR? QPR training teaches laypeople and professionals to recognize and respond to mental health crises using the approach of Question, Persuade and Refer.



Find professional learning documents, Powerpoint presentations and webinars from [iSOSY here](#).

The 18-state iSOSY MEP Consortium Incentive Grant (CIG) develops resources and materials to address the needs of migratory youth. Our products help students identify and achieve their academic and career goals with support from innovative technology. Through collaboration among member states, we expand capacity at the state and local levels to support the success of out-of-school youth (OSY) and secondary students who are at risk of dropping out of high school.

## What You Should Know About First Aid



The U.S. Department of Labor requires all employers to have at least one person trained to provide first aid if the work place is not close to a hospital or clinic. The employer should also have first-aid kits available with the right supplies for the most common injuries that can happen. [Click here for more information.](#) [Also available in Spanish.](#)



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# 2023 NATIONAL MIGRANT EDUCATION CONFERENCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 30 – WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023 IN ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO



**Reminder: Submit National Migrant Education Conference Workshop Proposals**  
**Deadline for submission is tomorrow January 31st**

We urge all of you to consider submitting a proposal for a workshop at the National Conference. We have 175 workshop slots, so we have the ability to accept a large number of proposals in a wide variety of areas.

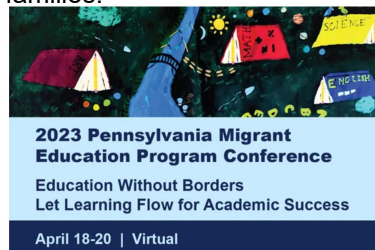
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Participate actively in the conference! Come and share ideas with your colleagues from around the country!

## 2023 MEP Conference is now virtual!

If you serve migrant students and their families in Pennsylvania, the virtual **2023 Pennsylvania Migrant Education Program Conference** offers an excellent opportunity to engage in knowledge sharing, discussion, critical analysis, and re-visioning of educational policies and practices to advance the quality of educational experiences for Migrant Education and English Learner students and families.



- Pennsylvania educators working in school districts, charter schools, career and technology centers, intermediate units, private schools, and non-public schools.
- LEA administrators.
- Community organizations and agency staff working with English learners and/or migrant students and their families.
- Parents and other English Language Development (ELD) stakeholders.
- Migrant education program staff.

**Yes, notify me when registration opens!**

**Join Us Virtually!**

### Conference Themes:

- Educational Policy and Leadership
- Family Community Engagement
- Identification and Recruitment of Students and Families Eligible for MEP
- Promising Practices in Early Childhood Education (birth to age 5)
- Educational Data Collection, Analysis, and Use
- Strategies that Foster Social and Emotional Learning and Student Resiliency
- Strengthening Academics – focusing on STEM and Accelerating Learning

Act 48 Credit will be offered for all eligible sessions.  
There is no registration fee to attend this professional development event.

This conference is presented by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and coordinated by Center for Schools and Communities, a division of Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit.

**Albert Lee Wright, Jr. Memorial Migrant Scholarship  
Application Now Available**

**To be received in DC no later than  
Wednesday, March 15, 2023**

Please find the [2023 Application Materials here](#). They will also be available shortly on the [NASDME website](#) and at the [National Migrant Education Conference tab](#) on the website.

- The applications must be received at the DC address on or before Wednesday, March 15, 2023. Applications received after that date will unfortunately not be considered. Please remember that regular postal delivery is currently very undependable. Please plan accordingly.
- The eligibility for a scholarship this year, as in prior years, is focused on students who are mobile and preference may be accorded to students who have interrupted or disrupted education.
- This scholarship is available to eligible migratory students who are high school seniors and will be starting their first year of post-secondary education.
- We have found that support to students in filling out the application is invaluable. We urge staff to help students in completing the application and assembling necessary accompanying materials.
- It is very important that students follow the directions on the form.

We look forward to once again supporting migratory students in their goals of achieving higher education and fulfilling their occupational and life dreams.

**[More Information & Application](#)**

**Students receiving the 2023 Scholarship will be honored at the 2023 National Migrant Education Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico.**



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Stay tuned next week for highlights of the [IMEC meeting](#) Benjamin and Veronica attended this month.

**Our mission is to advocate for the highest quality education and other needed support for the nation's migratory children and youth.**

#### Learning Portals

Wondering how to use the portal? Check out this training video. [Click here to learn](#) more about the resources available.



#### IDRC RECRUITER LEARNING PORTAL

#### Student and Family Learning

Pre K- Ages 3-5	Grades K-2	Grades 3-5
Grades 6-8	Grades 9-12	OSY
Virtual Field Trips	Parents	Teachers
		Summer Learning

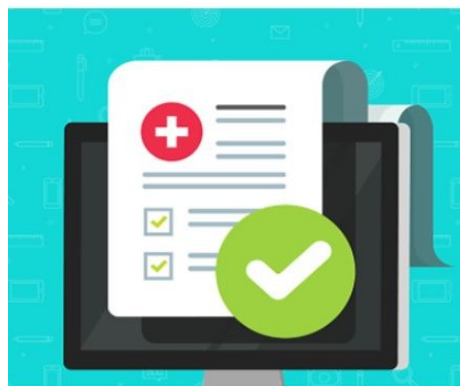
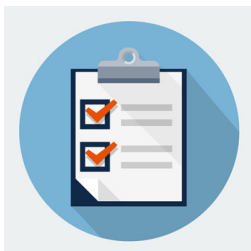
**Expanding Capacity**

**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT QUALIFY FOR THE MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM? PROVIDE A REFERRAL HERE.**

#### Referral Tool Resources

#### Data Collection Resources

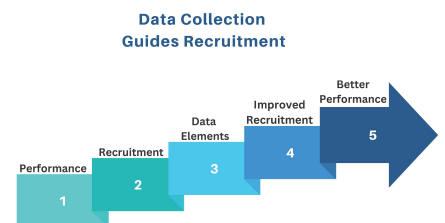
The key to managing and monitoring your state's data collection is good documentation.



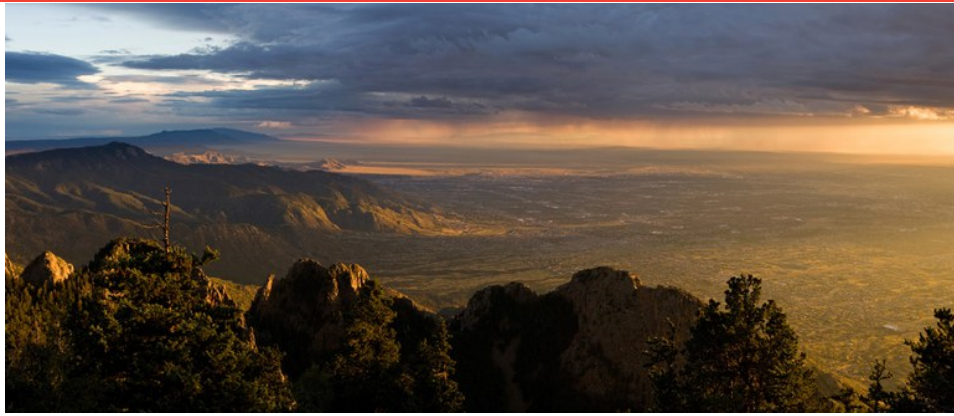
#### Required MEP Data

Access this document to view the full process of Residency Verifications that need to be completed each year.

**Using Data to Guide Recruitment**  
watch the [YouTube video](#).



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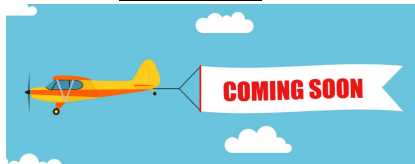
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**SUBMIT WORKSHOP PROPOSAL**

**Join Us May 22nd to 26th**

The Recruitment Institute will offer engaging free virtual professional development each day on recruitment efforts and data management topics to help MEP programs get ready for summer recruitment efforts. The event is free to all. Registration is required and it will be available on **February 1** on our website.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

*The Summer Recruitment Institute is back!*

**Upcoming Events and Learning Opportunities**

**Total Farmer Health**

If you're a farmer, rancher, or farmworker, you already know that your work can expose you to a variety of hazards. AgriSafe's job is to help protect you while you work. We believe that with proper education and access to knowledgeable health professionals, you can live a long, healthy and productive life.

More information can be found at the link below: **AgriSafe Network**



## 2022 Art & Essay Contest Winners Featured in ABC 23 News

Children In the Fields Campaign Art & Essay winners were featured by ABC 23 News Bakersfield CA, [CLICK HERE](#) to watch interviews!!!

NEWS > COVERING KERN COUNTY

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### Essay and art contest winners share their experiences as the children of Central Valley farmworkers

Essay writer Edwin Juarez, 10, and artist Aaron Cruz, 15, share their experiences as the children of farmworkers in both words and images.



Hosted by Ryan Nelson



### TMIP Virtual Intra/Interstate Workshop

MEP staff interested in presenting for the upcoming TMIP virtual workshop on April 13-14, 2023 should complete the [proposal link](#) below. We are currently needing presenters to present to migrant personnel and parents.

Topics can be on: migrant data collection systems (TX-NGS/MSIX), priority for service strategies, identification and recruitment methods of success, innovative migrant programs, best practices for on-time graduation and credit accrual/credit recovery/credit remediation, Spanish sessions for parents or other topics of interest.

The deadline to submit a proposal is on **February 10, 2023.**

All sessions will be 1-hour sessions.

[Register for workshop](#)

[Submit Proposals](#)



1-800-292-7006  
[www.psjaisd.us/tmip](http://www.psjaisd.us/tmip)

TEA  
Texas Education Agency

Register Now

April 13-14, 2023  
TEXAS MIGRANT INTERSTATE PROGRAM  
A State initiative for the Texas Education Agency

TMIP VIRTUAL  
INTRA/INTERSTATE WORKSHOP

Proposals window now open!  
<https://forms.office.com/e/fj0kTuz2B6G>

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**UFW  
FOUNDATION**

Beginning January 9, 2023, [applications for the Farm and Food Worker Relief \(FFWR\) Grant Program](#) opened through the UFW Foundation.

UFW Foundation will be distributing a one-time \$600 relief payment to farm workers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic who qualify. There is no cost to apply for the program. This is a two-year program and consists of a one-time payment. You can only apply once; additional applications will be denied.

More information can be found at [USDA Agricultural Marketing Service](#).



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Dear MEP Colleagues,

I wanted to let you know that I have been asked and agreed to serve as the Interim State Director of the Nebraska Migrant Education Program. I am both humbled and inspired by the opportunity to lead such a distinguished program for a brief time. We will continue to provide you with updates on the process of selecting the next permanent State Director, so stay tuned to future bulletins. Until a permanent director is selected, I pledge to you that I will do my very best for as long as I am in this position.

That said, there are decisions that need to be made now. One of my first tasks was to provide guidance on out of state travel for professional development. After consultation with State Coordinators and Project Directors, I believe that we have created guidelines that are both reasonable and empower Project Directors to make the best decisions for their project and staff. You will find this [guidance below](#).

If you have questions or concerns about this, please contact your Project Director because the decision on who may attend now falls on their capable shoulders. If there is a situation that needs consideration for an exception to these guidelines, they will let me know and we can work together to determine the best solution.

I also want to let you know that the State Coordinators and I have been working on developing and implementing solutions to the areas in need of improvement identified during last Fall's Workshop. We recognize that we have not done very good in communicating the work that is being done. We will do better. Be on the lookout for more information about the statewide MEP improvement process in the near future!

Thank you very much for the work that you do every day. It is important and challenging work. Please know that you are respected and valued member of a stateside team making a difference in thousands of lives!

With my fondest regards,  
Benjamin Zink

### **GUIDANCE ON NATIONAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

January 17, 2023

Dear MEP Colleagues,

The Nebraska Migrant Education Program State Coordinators have considered various inputs and ideas on what, if any, changes to make to the Nebraska Migrant Education Program (NE MEP) guidance on allowing Migrant Education Program (MEP) staff national professional development (PD) opportunities.

Acknowledging that we all need to be good stewards of the funds we are allocated by the Federal government while also ensuring that all MEP staff are provided opportunities to learn and grow professionally to increase the quality of our programs and services, we have determined that each MEP project will be able to send MEP staff and/or migrant parent(s) to national PD opportunities at the discretion of their Project Director. For the purposes of this guidance, national trainings include: the National MEP Conference sponsored by NASDME and any additional opportunities that require out of state travel at the expense of the State NE MEP.

The following are the updated guidelines for travel for national professional development and training opportunities:

1. The PD opportunity is limited to staff who are employed by a MEP project and funded by NE MEP and/or parents who regularly participate in a local PAC or the State PAC.
2. The PD opportunity is limited to one national PD opportunity per year, per staff member.
3. Project Directors are responsible for selecting the appropriate MEP staff and parents to attend.
4. MEP staff must ensure their travel itinerary allows them to attend the entire PD opportunity.
5. All MEP staff must abide by their project's travel and reimbursement policies and ethical standards.
6. MEP staff who wish to present at a national PD opportunity must provide their presentation application to the NE MEP State Coordinator for approval prior to submitting their application to the national organization.
7. MEP staff should attend every session block and complete reports in accordance to their project's procedures.
8. MEP staff should share what they have learned during the opportunity with their colleagues upon return to Nebraska.
9. All MEP staff should conduct themselves in a way that reflects favorably upon their project and the NE MEP.
10. Exceptions to this guidance are as follows:
  - (a) MEP staff who are designated to represent NE MEP at national meetings.
  - (b) At the discretion of the NE MEP State Directors.
11. All questions or concerns about this guidance should be directed to the NE MEP State Director.

Thank you very much for your dedication and service to the Nebraska Migrant Education Program.

Regards,  
Benjamin Zink



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There will be more than 175 high quality workshops and four exciting and meaningful general sessions. Network with your colleagues from across the country. Gain new ideas and hear about success stories all aimed at maintaining the high quality of the Title I, Part C Migrant Education Program.

We all recognize that it is more important than ever to come together, to learn from each other, to gain and give support.

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This is how you get started. [SUBMIT WORKSHOP PROPOSAL](#)

See you in Albuquerque!

## The Jesuita and Santos Courage & Fortitude Scholarships are now open!



Five leadership scholarships, \$1,000 each, will be awarded to High School Seniors or Juniors who will be graduating in May 2023 and meet the eligibility criteria may apply. The scholarships will be applicable for tuition, fees, or books at an accredited community college, college, or university.

Scholarship Applications

Application Instructions

To apply online, please **CLICK HERE**. The registration deadline is March 3rd, 2023.

JOIN OUR TEAM  
**WE'RE  
HIRING**



### We are looking to add a new member to our IDRC team!

If you are creative, energetic, organized, experienced in MEP, and bilingual in English and Spanish this might be the job for you. The candidate we are looking for must be passionate about finding and serving migrant students and assisting all of our member states in their individual efforts as well as our IDRC projects.

We need someone with extensive in-field recruiting experience (a minimum of 5-7 years) as well as experience training recruiters, developing materials, finding and using data, working in the community, canvassing your own recruitment area, etc.

We will take resumes until February 1st. Pay will be based on experience and qualifications. Experience will be required to be demonstrated and job references with previous employers will also be required. We have the option to make the position full time or part time. This position does require travel and working a flexible schedule.

If you are interested in the position and more details send us your resume and cover letter explaining your interest to: [jcastanedair@gmail.com](mailto:jcastanedair@gmail.com).



International Hand Signals of Distress

January is National Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Find more information at:

<https://www.state.gov/national-human-trafficking-prevention-month/>

If you or someone you know is a victim of human trafficking, please call:

### The National Human Trafficking Hotline

- 1-888-373-7888
- SMS: 233733 (Text "HELP" or "INFO")
- Hours: 24 hours, 7 days a week
- Languages: English, Spanish, and 200 more languages
- Website: <http://humantraffickinghotline.org>

### The Nebraska Human Trafficking Hotline

can be reached 24 hours per day at  
833-PLS-LOOK (833-757-5665)



# El Camino Latino Conference 2023

BY BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY



**Feb. 24, 2023**  
**9am - 2pm**

**All Seniors Welcome!**  
Get informed + inspired!

Hear from some of  
Omaha's top employers  
and their opportunities.

Register  
Here >



Visit [bellevue.edu/event-forms/el-camino-latinoconference/](https://bellevue.edu/event-forms/el-camino-latinoconference/) to sign up today!

Deadline is 2.23.23

**For Questions:**

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January 9, 2023

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Dear MEP Colleagues,

Recently, a migrant family in another state was scammed out of \$200. The person that called identified him/herself as someone from the MEP and told the family that they have not paid the \$200 registration fee for the program and if they did not pay the money they will be dropped from the program. Then this person proceeded to provide instructions on what to do to send the money. Unfortunately, the family did send the money to this person and they lost \$200.

The interesting part of this call is that the caller had the family phone number, knew the family was migrant and participating in the migrant program. This person even quoted family enrollment dates into the program. The family filed a police report and they were able to locate the caller's phone number came from Bakersfield, California.

Please feel free to share this cautionary and consider including information about scams when providing FACE opportunities and at PAC meetings along with information about how our families can protect themselves and what the Nebraska Migrant Education Program is doing to protect their personal information.

This really highlights the importance of continued vigilance in maintaining data security and FERPA. Bad actors are constantly looking for an opportunity to gain access to the information we collect and maintain. Please be sure you are following all of our security protocols and protections.

Please inform me if you hear of any scams involving Nebraska migrant families along with as many details that you are aware of so that I can share the information with other states.

Thank you,  
Benjamin

#### Dairy Safety Training Toolkit



Other Health Resources can be found at the NCFH website below:

[NCFH National Center for Farmworker Health, Inc.](#)



#### Farmworker Relief Grant Program

Make sure to learn about who is providing funds to farmworkers in your state through the Farmworker Relief Grant Program from the USDA. IDRC is working with UMOS and will be reaching out soon to the states that UMOS is funding. These are Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, Wisconsin. More information to come soon!

## Monthly Webinar

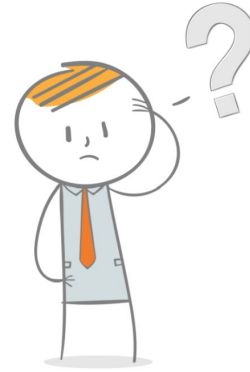
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### Back by Popular Demand! Scenarios Refresher!

**Tuesday, January 10th**

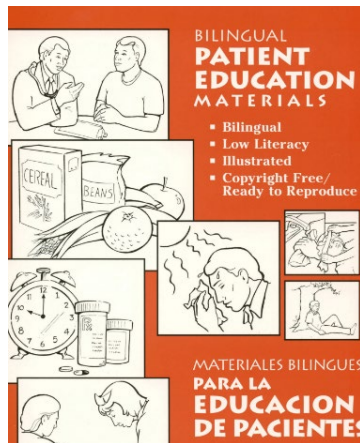
**11 PST, 12 MST, 1 CST, 2 EST**

We will be focusing on the areas we continue to see recruiters struggle with related to eligibility. We will have a wide range of scenarios that recruiters can come across (both easy and difficult). Scenarios will be interactive and all will be able to participate and provide feedback.



**Register in advance for this webinar.**

### Resources for Recruiters & MEP Programs



#### [Bilingual Health Materials from The National Center for Farmworker Health](#)

Bilingual Patient Education Materials Portfolio of 11 low literacy, bilingual one page handouts developed for use as a patient education tool supplement in migrant health centers.

Topics are: Teens can say no to sex, Planning your Family, Rules for Health Eating, High Blood Pressure, Skin Emergencies, Work Injuries, Heat Illness, Alcohol and Children, Diabetes, Care of Teeth, and Tips to Reduce Stress



#### [Language Learning Resources](#)

This site lists several excellent online resources to share with English language learners.



More information can be found at the IDRC website below:

**[IDRC Identification & Recruitment Consortium](#)**



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### Farewell to Sue Henry

We wish Sue Henry a long and healthy retirement. She has contributed to the MEP program for 28 plus years.

Her last day with NDE is January 2, 2023.

Her experience and positive results will be missed.

### Child Eligibility Question Form

This form is to be submitted anytime recruiters or supervisors have an eligibility question(s). You should receive a response from the state via email within three to five days of submission of the completed form.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "TITLE I PART C Education of Migratory Children" and "ID&R ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONS FORM". It includes a "PROJECT" dropdown menu with the following options: 1. ALLIANCE, 2. CRETE, 3. ESU 1, 4. ESU 7, 5. ESU 9, 6. ESU 13, and 7. ESU 15. There is also an "Email\*" field with a "Valid email" error message and a "Change settings" link.

**Effective August 1, 2022:** This form was designed to resolve eligibility questions raised by recruiters and/or supervisors. The MEP approval team (ID&R Coordinator, Quality Control Coordinator, Data Analyst, and the MEP State Coordinator) will review each form submitted and reference the Title I, Part C Non-Regulatory Guidance, Chapter II: Child Eligibility to make eligibility determinations. The recruiter and/or supervisor will be notified within 3-5 working days of the state MEP eligibility determination. In addition, all eligibility questions and the NDE MEP responses will be posted on the NDE MEP website for future reference. If you have any questions about this procedure, please contact the Nebraska State ID&R Coordinator.

Evelyn Ajin - Follow

My baby brother David Ajin passed away. As many as you know, my parents were deported a couple years ago. David's greatest wish was to see my parents again. I would like for my parents to see my brother one last time, if anyone could donate funds for expenses that would be greatly appreciated. Zelle information is: evelynajin08241997@hotmail.com Venmo-Evelyn-Ajin-1

<https://gofund.me/66616072>

Mi hermanito David Ajin falleció. Como saben, mis padres fueron deportados hace un par de años. El mayor deseo de David era volver a ver a mis padres. Me gustaría que mis padres vieran a mi hermano por última vez, si alguien pudiera donar fondos para los gastos sería muy apreciado. La información de Zelle es: evelynajin08241997@hotmail.com Venmo-Evelyn-Ajin-1 PayPal: evelynajin08241997@hotmail.com <https://gofund.me/66616072> See Translation

It is with great sadness to inform you of a 12 year old migrant student, David Ajin who resides in the ESU 7 MEP area has passed away. Keep David's family in your thoughts as they experience this very difficult time. Keep ESU 7 staff in your thoughts too as the staff mourn the loss of David. If you are interested in supporting the family, please review the note to the left from David's sister, Evelyn.





## Monthly Resources for the MEP

The iSOSY consortium is happy to present the first issue of “Monthly Resources for the MEP”. Each message will provide timely resources specific to that particular month, as well as resources created by iSOSY to use with your migratory students during that time of year.

January is **National Human Trafficking Prevention Month**. Learn more about this important topic at the U.S. Department of State site [HERE](#).

The FBI has put out some [summer safety tips](#) for parents that are in Spanish. Please share out to parents in your program. Even though it is not summer, it is good to keep youth safety in mind all year long.

Do you know the **international hand signal of distress**? If not, you should learn and teach your students as well. This simple signal could save a life. The signal is performed by holding your hand up with your thumb tucked into your palm, then folding your fingers down, symbolically trapping your thumb in your fingers. It was intentionally designed as a single continuous hand movement, rather than a sign held in one position, that could be made easily visible.





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If you or someone you know is a victim of human trafficking, please call:  
The National Human Trafficking Hotline:

- 1-888-373-7888
- SMS: 233733 (Text "HELP" or "INFO")
- Hours: 24 hours, 7 days a week
- Languages: English, Spanish, and 200 more languages
- Website: <http://humantraffickinghotline.org>

You can learn more by watching these [training videos for preventing / identifying human trafficking](#) and by visiting the U.S. government's Blue Campaign [HERE](#).



A good time to focus on goal setting with OSY and At-Risk students is the month of January, the month known for setting annual resolutions. You can help your students break down their goals into manageable steps so those goals become attainable.

You will find what you need in our [Goal Setting resources](#) on the iSOSY website ([www.osymigrant.org](http://www.osymigrant.org)). The resources include service provider training that offers a powerpoint and scenarios that can help us all feel more confident in our ability to provide goal setting workshops to the students we serve.