

Listserv Email: January 25, 2011

Status on Rules for P.A. 096-0903: At the January ISBE Board meeting, members approved the amended rules for principal preparation redesign (P.A. 096-0903). A copy of the amended rules can be found on the [Illinois School Leader web site](#). The rules will be reviewed at the February JCAR meeting in Springfield, in which JCAR members will hopefully adopt the rules as recommended. Following JCAR's adoption, programs will be allowed to submit for new program approval under the new program guidelines. I will keep you updated on the status of the rules following the JCAR meeting.

Leadership Preparation Program Evaluation Video: The University Council for Education Administration (UCEA) has created a [video](#) that walks through what the University of Texas - Austin Principalship Program uses to determine the effectiveness of its programs and to make program adjustments. Included on this video are resources provided by UCEA's **National Center for the Evaluation of Educational Leadership Preparation and Practice (NCEELPP)**, including the [Developing Evaluation Evidence](#) evaluation planner and the School Leadership Preparation and Practice [Survey \(SLPPS\) instruments](#).

Education Trust Leadership Webinar Series: On February 23, the Education Trust will hold a webinar discussing school turnarounds with principal Ricardo Leblanc-Esparza, who has successfully turned around a failing school. Dr. Kyla Wahlstrom, director of the Center for Applied Research and Educational Improvement, will also be on the webinar. To register for the webinar, [click here](#).

Common Core Standards: Attached is a power point presentation that details the national common core standards and the new assessments being developed to replace the PSAE and ISAT. The second attachment is a one-page document developed by the Illinois Parent Teacher Association (IPTA) to assist with easy communication with parents and community members on the new common core standards.

Leading Change Step-by-Step: [Leading Change](#), written by Dr. Jody Spiro, features many of the lessons learned by districts and states participating in the Wallace-funded leadership reform. As we continue this journey in Illinois, this book provides many helpful strategies that have been 'field-tested' to guide our work.