

Listserv Email: July 30, 2010

**Principal Preparation:** With the work around the state around principal preparation redesign, I'm including some relevant resources on this topic.

- Attached (see first attachment) is an article from Education Week on funds spent by states and districts each year for earning advanced degrees with little correlation with improved student achievement.
- The U.S. Department of Education has developed a web site that includes resources for early learning, including funding opportunities (see <http://www.ed.gov/early-learning>). Another site on early learning, identifies seven innovative i3 grant proposals around the area of PK-3 (see [http://earlyed.newamerica.net/blogposts/2010/seven\\_innovative\\_ideas\\_for\\_prek\\_3rd\\_education\\_will\\_these\\_projects\\_be\\_funded-34338](http://earlyed.newamerica.net/blogposts/2010/seven_innovative_ideas_for_prek_3rd_education_will_these_projects_be_funded-34338))

**Principal Evaluation:** The following is a useful Tips and Tools document developed by Learning Point Associates on principal evaluation (see [http://www.tqsource.org/publications/KeyIssue\\_PrincipalAssessments.pdf](http://www.tqsource.org/publications/KeyIssue_PrincipalAssessments.pdf))

**Midwest Principals Center Speaker Schedule:** Attached (see second attachment) is the programming schedule for the Midwest Principals Center. The Principals' Center does partnerships with universities, which (for no cost to the university) allow education leadership students to attend any/all of their programs for a very reduced fee. For more information on this, contact Joanne Rooney at [joannerooney@comcast.net](mailto:joannerooney@comcast.net).

**What Drives Us In The Workplace:** The following *You Tube* video (see <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u6XAPnuFjJc>) was adapted from Dan Pink's talk at the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (RSA) and illustrates the hidden truths behind what motivates in the workplace. Sent to me by my father, an educator in Wisconsin, I thought that I'd share with you this appropriate video in the time of discussions on performance pay, incentives, and leadership.

**i3 and School Leadership Grants:** Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup> will be a big day next week as the U.S. Department of Education plans to announce the first round finalists for the Investing in Innovation (i3) grants and the recipients of the 2010 School Leadership grants. Best of luck to everyone who has applied for grants in either of these categories.