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February 2007

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### February Trainings:

- **February 9**– Leadership Academy (Eagle Pass)  
8:00 – 4:00 (Eagle Pass)
- **February 16** – Migrant Early Childhood Series  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (ESC-20)
- **February 21** – New Generation System (NGS) Series Day 3  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (ESC-20)
- **February 22** – New Generation System (NGS) Series Day 3  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (Uvalde)

#### March Trainings:

- **March 6** – ID&R Series for Recruiters Day 3  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (ESC-20)
- **March 8** – ID& R Series for Recruiters Day 3 (Eagle Pass)  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (Texas Workforce Center)
- **March 9** – ID& R Series for Recruiters Day 3 (Eagle Pass – Repeat)  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (Texas Workforce Center)
- **March 22** – PAC Rules and Regulations (Repeat from Fall session)  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (ESC-20)

Register for sessions through ilearning at: <http://www.esc20.net/>  
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### National Migrant Education Conference

The National Migrant Education Conference will be in Phoenix, Arizona on April 29 – May 2, 2007. For more information, please visit <http://www.nasdme.org>

### New Generation System (NGS)

#### *Deadlines Coming Up:*

For more information on deadlines, please refer to pages 4-6 of the NGS Required School District/ESC Activities.

- Request Alternate ID Number Report by February 15
- Update all student records without a PEIMS number by February 28
- Immunization information must be submitted to the Terminal Site by March 1 (for students with a qualify move after August 1 or previous school year)
- Input of immunization information is April 15

#### *Monthly Reports (\*\*Must be run monthly\*\*)*

- District Report
- Unique Report
- Priority for Services
- Continuation of Services

#### *Highly recommended Reports:*

- Residency Verification
- Two year olds turning three (P2-P3)
- PFS Tracking Report

#### *NGS Information:*

- Facility updates - if information has changed for 06-07 updates can be made as early as February 1, 2007 and completed by August 31, 2007.
- Each NGS site must keep a terminal site log for daily incoming data.
- \*NGS Specialist must never delete enrollment lines when a student has been misidentified as migrant. (\*Must notify ESC-20)

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### Leadership Academy – San Antonio

On February 7, 2007 the MERV (Mobile Education Resource Vehicle) was at ESC-20 to help students and parents fill out and file their FAFSA on-line. If your students have not yet filled out their FAFSA, please have them do so as quickly as possible. ESC-20 has some extra copies of the **FAFSA ON THE WEB WORKSHEET** if you need them. Additional copies can be ordered at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). For copies from ESC-20, contact Pamela Chambers at 210-370-5730 or by email [pamela.chambers@esc20.net](mailto:pamela.chambers@esc20.net).

If you have any questions please contact Veronica Alvarez at 210-370-5426 or by email at [veronica.alvarez@esc20.net](mailto:veronica.alvarez@esc20.net). Fax: 210-370-5744

### Migrant Early Childhood Series

Feb. 16 & April 5  
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
ESC (Conference Center)

Migrant Home-based and Center-based Educators and Migrant Recruiters will learn about various early childhood programs. Topics will include Violence Prevention, Child Abuse, Developmentally Appropriate Classroom Practices, Parental Involvement, “Ouchless” House and Nutritious Cooking Activities/Snacks.

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### Leadership Academy – Eagle Pass

On Friday, February 9, 2007 ESC-20 and Eagle Pass ISD will be coordinating a Leadership Academy. Students, grades 9 – 12, are welcome to attend. The Academy will consist of a rotation of sessions as well as a trip to the new Water Filtration Plant. If you have any questions please contact Veronica Alvarez at 210-370-5426 or by email at [veronica.alvarez@esc20.net](mailto:veronica.alvarez@esc20.net). Fax: 210-370-5744

### Counseling Corner

It's that time again where “senioritis” begins. What would we do without mountain cedar and senioritis? It seems that they both hit at the same time every school year. To help you with this “dreaded condition” below are some web sites that address this issue. For more information contact Pamela Chambers at 210-370-5730 or by email at [pamela.chambers@esc20.net](mailto:pamela.chambers@esc20.net).

Senioritis: From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia - Contains background, prevention and consequences <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Senioritis>

What to Do About Senioritis: Make Your Senior Year Count  
<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/apply/the-application/8626.html>

Senioritis – How to deal with the attitude, the impact and when it hits close to home  
[http://www.jostens.com/graduation/sryr\\_senioritis.asp](http://www.jostens.com/graduation/sryr_senioritis.asp)

Senioritis: Avoiding the Epidemic  
<https://www.ecampustours.com/collegeplanning/senioritis.aspx>

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Searching for the Cure to Senioritis: by Wayne D'Orio  
<http://districtadministration.ccsc.com//page.cfm?p=20>

### Migrant Education Program (MEP) Directors'

#### Meetings

**Date Change**

April 4, 2007

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

\*Location: ESC-20 Distance Learning Lab



\*If you would like to participate through distance learning, please email Alex at [alexandra.dominguez@esc20.net](mailto:alexandra.dominguez@esc20.net) a week in advance of meeting.

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### Reading Is Fundamental (RIF)

The Reading is Fundamental, RIF, program will run from April – June 2007. Books are scheduled to be delivered in March. Students who qualify for RIF are children who have an eligible QAD as of April 1, 2007. For more information, please contact Veronica Alvarez at [veronica.alvarez@esc20.net](mailto:veronica.alvarez@esc20.net) or at 210-370-5744.

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### Frequently Asked Questions

1. When can I start distributing Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) books?
  - RIF has a new timeline this year. Distribution can start on April 1 and run until June 30, 2007.
2. What should the district do if there are extra books left from the RIF distribution?
  - If all children allocated have been served already at both RIF events contact the RIF coordinator immediately to confirm that the appropriate number of children have been served; it is possible that the extra books can be selected by the same or other eligible migrant children.
  - If all children allocated have not been served additional eligible children (different from the others) will need to be served just as the other were – with two RIF events each.
3. Are the Distribution Reports and Performance and Feedback Reports a requirement for RIF?
  - Yes, the information included in the reports is required to be reported in order for our program to be in compliance with national Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) program guidelines.

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For any questions, comments, or if you have information you would like to share in the monthly newsletter, please contact Veronica Alvarez at [veronica.alvarez@esc20.net](mailto:veronica.alvarez@esc20.net)

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