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January 2007

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January Trainings:

- **January 10** – Migrant Directors' Meeting
1:00 – 4:00 (ESC-20)
- **January 17** – ID&R Series for Recruiters Day 2
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (ESC-20)
- **January 18** – ID& R Series for Recruiters Day 2 (Eagle Pass)
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (Texas Workforce Center)
- **January 19** – ID& R Series for Recruiters Day 2 (Eagle Pass – Repeat)
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 (Texas Workforce Center)

February Trainings:

- **February 7** – Leadership Academy
8:00 a.m. – 3:30 (ESC-20)
- **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)

Register for sessions through ilearning at: <http://www.esc20.net/>
Click on the workshop tab

National Migrant Education Conference

The National Migrant Education Conference will be in Phoenix, Arizona on April 29 – May 2, 2007. The deadline for workshop proposals submission is Friday, December 15, 2006. For more information, please visit <http://www.nasdme.org>

NGS

Deadlines Coming Up:

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

- Secondary Credit – Fall grades by January 30th
- Run Missing Credit & Partial Credit Report by January 15th
- Input into NGS Missing Credit & Partial Credits by January 30th

*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 – 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 your district would like to participate please submit the attached registration form by January 29th.

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

Migrant Education Program (MEP) Directors' Meetings

January 10, 2007 and April 12, 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 Veronica at veronica.alvarez@esc20.net a week in advance of meeting.

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Leadership Academy – San Antonio

On February 7, 2007 the MERV (Mobile Education Resource Vehicle from COSTEP) will be at ESC-20 to help students and parents fill out and file their FAFSA on-line. Be sure that all of your students have a copy of the **FAFSA ON THE WEB WORKSHEET**. ESC-20 has some extra copies if you need them. Additional copies can be ordered at www.fafsa.ed.gov. For copies from ESC-20, contact Pamela Chambers at 210-370-5730 or by email pamela.chambers@esc20.net .

During this Leadership Academy, parents and/or students need to bring all of their income tax information and their completed FAFSA Worksheet. Seniors must have applied for their FAFSA PIN before the winter holidays.

If your district would like to participate please submit the attached registration form by January 29th.

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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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Searching for Tutors

ESC-20 is searching for part time Adjunct - Migrant Tutors for San Antonio and surrounding areas. For more information go to www.esc20.net click on the Employment tab, search for Adjunct – Migrant Tutor or IRC1019.

All applicants must apply on-line.

Reading Is Fundamental (RIF)

There is a new RIF timeline scheduled for this year. Dates will be discussed at the MEP Directors' Meeting on January 10, 2007. All districts have been sent a catalog request form to request catalogs for ordering. If your districts would like to participate, please fax the request form soon to receive catalogs in January 2007.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. When should a district contact the ESC for a Recruiter ID?
 - If a recruiter has received the ID&R Annual training for 2006-2007 they must have an assigned Recruiter ID created by the ESC.
 - If the NGS Data Specialist enters a 2006-2007 history line for a student who was previously identified by a recruiter who is no longer working for the migrant program, districts must contact the ESC for a Recruiter ID for the Recruiter. Recruiter will be assigned an ID without a certification date.
2. What is purpose of the eligibility validation process?
 - The purpose of the eligibility validation process is to ensure that only eligible migrant children are enrolled on NGS. Through the eligibility validation process a representative sample of children are selected for the re-interview process in order to determine the accuracy and completeness of recorded information on the COE, and to ensure the specificity and legitimacy of the last qualifying move date and qualifying agricultural or fishing activity. The ESC will receive a sample from TEA beginning January 2007. The eligibility validation will target 2006-2007 enrollment period.
3. If my district is interested in the Bi-National Teacher Exchange Program when can they apply?
 - The deadline to submit for the Bi-National Teacher Exchange Program is January 19, 2007. Applications are available through the TEA website at www.tea.state.tx.us/nclb/ For more information contact Veronica Alvarez at 210-370-5426 or veronica.alvarez@esc20.net

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
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