

## LPDC --IMPORTANT INFORMATION—August 2009

Welcome back to the start of the 2009-2010 school year. The LPDC would like to inform you of several changes that are taking place with MyLearningPlan (MLP) and with the professional development process.

1. Keep this **red folder** as your professional development folder to store hard copies of exit certificates, transcripts, and any professional development information that would prove useful for your next license renewal. Remember, you still need to get approved all professional development on MLP, but now you have a handy folder to keep track all of your loose PD paperwork. Please do not throw away this folder!!
2. Starting on October 1, 2009, the new *IPDP* and *My Request* forms will be activated. We have included copies of these forms in your folder. These forms now reflect the new Standards for Ohio Educators that are mandated by Senate Bill 2. The standards (**goals**) for Teachers are found on page 5, and the standards (**goals**) for Principals are found on page 6 of the Organizing for Professional Development Booklet. The **evaluation** standards for all professional development are found on page 7. Please review these pages in your booklet. The ODE now requires you to write 3 to 5 SMART goals relating to the standards found on the above pages (5 or 6). For the evaluation standards on page 7, you must cover all 6 standards over a 5 year period for renewal of licenses. Starting in 2009, anyone that just received a new license (effective date July 1, 2009) will have 5 years to meet all 6 standards and have proof that you have achieved these goals. This is where the red folder will come in handy as a place to store proof that you met these goals. A sample goal sheet (blue) has been provided to help you write goals for your IPDP.
3. All certificated staff will be required to write a **new IPDP's from October 1 to January 1, 2010** to reflect the use of the new standards and SMART goals. However, only when your license expires will you be placed on the 5 year cycle of meeting all 6 evaluation standards to renew. Remember, all professional development needs to fit the goals in your IPDP and your IPDP needs to focus on your licensure area.
4. Included in this folder is a checklist for credential renewal and a personal development journal to track meeting all 6 evaluation standards.
5. If you have questions, information can be found on our district homepage under technology department. Click on LPDC-MLP under the FAQ's section. Also, information for filling out forms is found under the Info/News section after you log into MLP. As always, if you have questions, please feel free to contact your building LPDC member.
6. FYI—also included in this packet is a proposal from HB1 on the 4-Tier Licensure Structure and the Timeline for the New Licensure Transition. This information was found in the August 2009 Ohio Schools OEA Magazine (pages 18-20). The new Resident Educator Program is set to be implemented beginning January 1, 2011. The LPDC will try to keep you informed of the new licensure structure when we receive more information from the ODE this fall.