Annual PDC Training:
A review of the regulations and the roles and responsibilities of local Professional Development Councils

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Why PDC Training?

• Revisit roles and responsibilities of members
• Recalibrate
• Regulatory requirement

[K.A.R. 91-1-217(b)(1)]
What is a PDC?

- Representative group of licensed personnel
  - At least as many teachers as administrators
  - Selected by group represented

- Non-voting members are welcome, but NOT required:
  - Local Board of Education
  - Classified Staff

K.A.R. 91-1-215(g); 91-1-217(a)
What is the Role of the PDC?

• Advise governing body (i.e. district/system) regarding the 5-year Professional Development Plan:
  ➢ Planning
  ➢ Development
  ➢ Implementation
  ➢ Operation

K.A.R. 91-1-215(d)(g)
What are the Responsibilities of the PDC?

- Participate in annual training
- Develop operational procedures
- Develop the 5-year plan:
  - Needs
  - Goals
  - Activities
  - Evaluative Criteria
- Approve Individual PD Plans (IPDPs)
  - Goals and Activities (Content, Prof. Education, Service)

K.A.R. 91-1-217; 91-1-216; 91-1-206; 91-1-205(b)(3)(c)
What? Another Responsibility?

- Award points for license renewal
  - 1 clock hour = 1 point
    - CEU’s operate in the same way
  - 1 semester hour = 20 points
    - Must convert inside of point management platform
    - Quarter credits – conversion formula – call KSDE Licensure, 785-296-2288
- Knowledge (What did I learn?)
- Application (2X Knowledge = Becomes standard practice)
- Impact (3X Knowledge = New practice results in positive impact with student performance or a program)
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Who Uses the PDC?

- All district licensed personnel (with a few exceptions)
  - Applies to District and Building Administrators
- Non-employed licensed personnel and those employed in a private unaccredited (not recognized by KSDE) school
  - Reside / work within USD / education system boundaries adhere to same requirements
  - Those who move out-of-state should work with KSDE licensure, not the local PDC.

K.A.R. 91-1-206
Exceptions to PDC Process:
Those Who May Work DIRECTLY with KSDE

- National Board Completers
- National Board Certification
  - Both can submit directly to KSDE
  - Passing National Board provides eligibility for Kansas Accomplished License
- Adding New Endorsement Area
  - 8 semester credit hours
  - Plan of Study – Approved Program
- Graduate Degree + Three Years Accredited Experience
  - Twice in Lifetime
- Specific Types of Licenses
  - Renew Initial License, when not upgraded through Mentoring Program
  - Transitional
- Licenses / Certifications NOT renewable with points
  - STEM
  - Visiting Scholar
  - Emergency Substitute
  - CTE Specialized Certification

How Do We Award Points?

- Activities during Validity of License
  - Earn within current license period for next license period
- PDC-Approved IPDP
- Undergraduate Degree
  - 160 points – 80 from semester credits from a regionally Accredited Institution
- Graduate Degree
  - 120 points
- Retired* Educators
  - Half of points (Undergrad / Grad Degree Status)
  - *Collecting from a state Education Retirement System (i.e. KPERS)
- Standard Substitute
  - 50 points every 5 years

K.A.R. 91-1-205(b)(3)(C)(F)
**IPDP Details:**

*91-1-206(a) Professional development plans for license renewal. (b)...shall develop a plan that includes activities in at least one of these areas:*

(c) Each individual submitting a professional development plan shall ensure that the plan meets the following conditions:

1. The plan results from cooperative planning with a designated supervisor.
2. The plan is signed by the individual submitting the plan and by the individual's supervisor, if the supervisor agrees with the plan.
3. The plan is reviewed and approved by the local professional development council.

**Content:**

- Math
- ELA
- Science
- Social Studies
- and others...

**Professional Education:**

Those standards adopted by the state board that specify the knowledge, competency, and skills necessary to perform in a particular role or position.

**Service to the Profession:**

Definition: Any activity that assists others in acquiring proficiency in instructional systems, pedagogy, or content, or that directly relates to licensure of professional educators, accreditation processes, or professional organizations.
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What if a license has expired?

• Same requirements to renew Kansas License:
  • IPDP on file
  • Coursework / other activities
  • Points Awarded
  • “Recency” rule applies:
    • Must be shown that the individual has credit or acceptable teaching experience within the 6-year period immediately before filing a renewal application.
Important Email Contacts during Renewal

etranscripts@ksde.org

experienceform@ksde.org
Issuing points for re-licensure purposes vs. local purposes (points for local purposes can be issued however the district/system would like; those for re-licensure purposes must be awarded as indicated in regulation)
- This will likely mean two different point totals – every activity done doesn’t mean points will be issued for re-licensure purposes (but can for local)

Every licensed staff member in the system (including the superintendent, principals, etc.) must have an individual professional development plan (IPDP) approved by the PDC before points can be earned for re-licensure purposes.
- The goals on an individual’s IPDP can match the goals on his/her evaluation.
- They don’t have to be two separate situations.

Staff switching districts should leave with a final, official point transcript and keep it for his/her next renewal. The new district should not put points earned in a previous district on their point transcripts.

Definition of Service to the Profession
## Why Professional Learning?

Increase effectiveness = Increase student learning

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