



EPP Connect

EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROVIDER IN 2016

EPP ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The EPP Advisory Committee met for the second time on March 21. MoCA was the topic of discussion which focused on issues programs would encounter were MoCA a graduation requirement. It was agreed several issues need clarification before a recommendation can be made. The next meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2016.

PROGRAM COMPLETER CLARIFICATION

We have received clarification from DESE regarding the definition of a Program Completer. You can view the DESE document [here](#).

PEARSON FEE WAIVER VOUCHERS NO LONGER AVAILABLE 15-16

All 25.00 and 50.00 Pearson Fee Waiver Vouchers have been distributed for the 2015-16 academic year. A total of 100 vouchers were distributed to eligible students again this year. New vouchers should arrive in late August and will be available next year for students who need financial assistance to pay for any of the Pearson tests (MEP, MoGEA, MoCA). ETS will also continue offering a fee reduction program for the MoPTA. More information on both programs can be found at this website: <http://www.missouristate.edu/certification/193764.htm>

MoPTA WORLD CAFÉ

MoPTA World Café @ MACTE – Monday, March 28 @ 10:00 AM – The MoPTA Café @ MACTE will begin at 10:00 AM on Monday, March 28 at Camden on the Lake. There will be two discussion groups – faculty and supervisors.

DIRECTOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION SEARCH

The Search Committee has met and scheduling of candidates is in process. Stay tuned for scheduled open forums for education faculty.

SMSTA SPONSORED FILM SCREENING

SMSTA is sponsoring a film screening, reception, and panel discussion. The topic is The Impact of Homelessness and Poverty on Education. It is scheduled for Sunday, April 3 at 3:30 p.m. in PSU Theater. See the attached for more details.

MoPTA TASK DEADLINE

MoPTA task deadlines are:

- Task 4 April 29

Library of Examples for the Missouri Pre-Service Teacher Assessment (MoPTA)



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SUBMISSIONS

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To: Deans/Unit Leaders & Assessment Directors
Topic: Clarification – Definition of a Program Completer
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Date: March 11, 2016



The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Certification chose to use the Title II Definition of a Program Completer for the purposes of developing and implementing the Annual Performance Report for Educator Preparation Programs. The same definition is used to define program completers for the counseling, librarian, and administrative certification areas.

The Title II definition states: A person who has met all the requirements of a state-approved program teacher preparation program. Program completers include all those who are documented as having met such requirements. Documentation may take the form of a degree, institutional certificate, program credential, transcript or written proof of having met the program’s requirements.

In applying this definition, the fact that an individual has or has not been recommended to the state for initial certification or licensure may not be used as a criterion for determining who is a program completer.

If a state mandates that all state-approved teacher preparation programs have a specific criterion for program completion (i.e., all programs must include passing the state assessment as a requirement for program completion) then that would apply towards the definition of a program completer as well, because though it comes as a mandate from the state, it is part of the program’s completion requirements.

Program Completer Checklist:

- Met all requirements of a state-approved program including the required certification assessments.
- Earned a degree, institutional certificate, program credential, transcript or written proof of having met the program’s requirement

S.M.S.T.A

Student Missouri State Teacher Association

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EVENT

S.M.S.T.A will be holding a screening of two documentaries to deepen understanding of students in poverty and youth homelessness.

WHEN: Sunday, April 3rd

3:00-7:00 pm

WHERE: PSU Theater



WHY: Gain more understanding of students in poverty by two documentaries and a panel discussion to follow. SMSTA will also provide food for in between films. The event is free!

