



March 2020
Professional Learning Update
Important Information – Please Share with Staff

Professional Learning Exemption:

Exemption is the remaining option for ensuring PL compliance this year. Please note the following two options for exemption:

PL Elective Exemption for Google Certified Educators:

To support provider innovation, KYSU will allow instructors who provide proof of [Google Certified Educator Level 1 or Level 2](#) completion during FY 2019-2020 to use same as basis for PL elective exemption.

The director will send a completed [2019-2020 Professional Learning Exemption Request Form](#) to Lori Looney at lori.looney@ky.gov, along with copies of Google Certified Educator Level 1 or Level 2 badge and certificate.

PL Elective Exemption for Relevant College Coursework:

KYSU will also allow instructors who earn a “B” or better in AE-relevant college coursework completed during FY 2019-2020 to use same as basis for PL elective exemption.

The director will send a completed [2019-2020 Professional Learning Exemption Request Form](#) to Lori Looney at lori.looney@ky.gov, along with a copy of the final course transcript.

If an exemption request is approved, the director will file a copy of the approval in the appropriate staff folder.

Annual COABE Conference Re-scheduled:

As of 3/11/20, the Annual COABE Conference has been re-scheduled. Per Michelle Chiles, COABE Chief of Staff, “In the interest of the health of our attendees and due to a multitude of newly-enacted travel bans, we have decided to postpone the conference until the summer. We are in discussions with the hotel(s) right now regarding the new conference dates and will have more details to share very soon.”

Follow Up from Q3 Director Meetings:

During the recent Q3 Program Director meetings, several directors expressed interest in the following:

- Federal Bureau of Prisons (FBOP) Curriculum Frameworks – Please click [here](#) and [here](#) to find FBOP Frameworks developed by Susan Pittman. Please note these frameworks have not yet been adopted for nationwide use by FBOP, but have received very favorable feedback from instructors.
- Brainchild Study Buddies – Please [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) to access additional information on Study Buddies. (Within the first month of the KYSU Study Buddy Corrections pilot, 16 Ready tests have already been passed, 15 sections of the GED test have been passed, and 6 GEDs have been earned!)
- TABE 11/12 Resources – Several directors expressed concerns about the challenges of helping students make gains. Please consider using several available resources to assist. The [KYSU Mathematics Instructional Framework](#) and the [KYSU RLA Instructional Framework](#) are fully-aligned to the TABE 11/12 Blueprints and provide lesson plans, video clips, and other adult education-specific open education resources. New Readers Press offers the TABE Scoreboost as a student-facing, workbook option. (We provided a master set to all program directors.) New Readers Press also offers the TABE Mastery series as an instructor-facing, curriculum option. Please follow [this link](#) to find more information on both resources. Please note that New Readers Press is offering free shipping through 5/31/20 to all KYSU providers to complement our statewide free GED promo. Please use the promo code [to benefit from this time-limited offer](#). Also check out new [TABE 11/12 Level Overlays](#) created by Institute for the Professional Development of Adult Educators (IPDAE).
- KYSU Math Instructors are reporting good results with [KUTA](#) worksheets, [IXL](#) (note [alignment to TABE](#)), and [Math Antics](#).

Helpful Resources for Remote Instruction:

- As we consider proactive steps to minimize gaps in services and serve students at a distance, please also consider a thorough review of the new [KYSU Professional Learning Website](#). This website is a one-stop resource for everything providers need to develop strategies for effective instruction.
- Please also consider a thorough review of options outlined in the [KYSU Instructional Technology Framework](#). This framework provides step-by-step instructions on the use of technology and relevant distance learning tools to support instruction. Specifically, YouTube Live, Facebook Groups, Facebook Live, Google Hangouts, and Zoom could be powerful tools for maintaining connection with students.
- [PBS Learning Media](#) also offers a wide array of adult-centric content suitable for distance learning.
- Campbell County Adult Education gave permission to share their master list of aligned student resources contained on this Google Sheet.
- To connect with other KYSU instructors who are currently using distance learning tools and resources, join the Distance Learning Hub in Google Classroom. Code:
- Please don’t hesitate to contact me at lori.looney@ky.gov, or other members of the CCP Team, for additional support. I’ve included a staff listing below, for ease:
Instructional Technology – emily.bosley@ky.gov
Mathematics/EdReady/Google Support – pdcallahan@moreheadstate.edu
RLA/ESL/Google Support – jbotts@moreheadstate.edu
WIN/Lesson Bank/Zoom Support (Scheduling of Agency Premium Account) – la.martin@moreheadstate.edu

