

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA Department of Education

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Individual Student Alternative Education Plan (ISAEP) Program Conference, July 22-23, 2014

The Office of Adult Education and Literacy (OAEL) will sponsor the Individual Student Alternative Education Plan (ISAEP) Program Conference on July 22-23, 2014, at The Inn at Virginia Tech and Skelton Conference Center, 901 Prices Fork Road, Blacksburg, Virginia.

The purpose of this year's conference is to update personnel on substantive changes to the ISAEP program associated with the implementation of the 2014 GED® test; and, to discuss procedural and instructional methodologies by which to effectively implement these changes beginning school year 2014-2015.

It is recommended that all ISAEP practitioners attend the conference. A session specifically designated for new staff will be held from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., on Tuesday, July 22, 2014. This session will provide participants with a basic introduction to administrative requirements and procedures and is limited to 60 people. It is requested that only those individuals who require basic orientation training register for this session. The general session will be held on Wednesday, July 23, 2014, and will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end by 5 p.m. Experienced ISAEP practitioners should come prepared to discuss the instructional and curricular procedures or activities their programs have implemented to address the changes required by the 2014 GED® test since its inception on January 1, 2014.

Online registration will be available from June 30 through July 15, 2014, at http://eduweb.education.radford.edu/isaep/ and there is no registration fee. Lunch and break time refreshments will be provided on Wednesday, July 23, 2014. Lodging is the responsibility of the participants. A limited number of rooms are available at the state rate (\$97.00) at The Inn at Virginia Tech and Skelton Conference Center. Please call (540) 231-8000 or (877) 200-3360 to make lodging reservations. To receive the state lodging rate when making hotel reservations, you should mention or indicate that you will be attending the Individual Student Alternative Education Plan (ISAEP) Conference.

This promises to be an important and informative conference designed to help participants ready their ISAEP programs for the 2014 GED® changes. I hope that you will encourage your staff to attend. If you have questions related to the conference or the attached conference agenda, please contact Mike Nusbaum, adult secondary specialist, via e-mail at michael.nusbaum@doe.virginia.gov or by telephone at (804) 786-7644.

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Attachment:

A. 2014 ISAEP Conference Agenda (PDF)