## December 2008

# Training Tracker

**Utah Public Charter Schools** 



These sessions are geared specifically for principals, directors, and school administrators.

> December, 2008 No Dialogue Session this month

### **Upcoming topics (updated):**

January 30, 2008

#### Structures for Managing Your School

\*We'll talk about ways other charter schools are using time, money, and people resources to help wear all the 'hats' of managing a school.

#### February 27, 2008 **Teacher Evaluations**

\*We'll discuss not only evaluations by administrators, but also how to have a conversation around a teacher's self-reflection

#### March 27, 2008

Managing Excellence in the Face of the **Economic Environment** 

# April 24, 2008

**Educational Innovation** 

\*We'll discuss innovations that are contextual as well as broad in scope currently being used in

# Other opportunities:

# **UTIPS Trainina!!**

This is a 3 part training via Wimba. Participants must commit to full participation for all 3 sessions.

<u>Jan 6:</u> 2:30 – 4:00 Jan 13: 2:30 - 4:00 Jan 20: 2:30 - 4:00

Or

Feb 3: 2:30 – 4:00 Feb 10: 2:30 - 4:00 Feb 17: 2:30 - 4:00

Please send your **RSVP** for January's session to Jeannie Rowland at <u>Jeannie.Rowland@schools.utah.gov</u> or 801-538-7676 **no later than Friday** December 19, as many of you will begin your winter holiday close to that date. Watch for details via email regarding the process for participation in Wimba online training. (It's easier than you think!)

# **Upcoming Charter School Trainings**

#### DECEMBER, 2008:

A Monthly Directors' Discussion Session will not be held. Enjoy your break!

SIS Training (New Processes)—Schools with grades 9-12 Graduation Requirements, Course History, Transcripts

> City Academy (555 E. 200 S., Salt Lake City) 12:15 - 2:15

Please RSVP to Jan Shepherd no later than Friday, Dec. 5. ian.chartermentors@amail.com

#### **JANUARY, 2009:**

UTIPS via Wimba (See sidebar to the right)

Please RSVP to Jeannie Rowland no later than Friday, Dec. 19. Jeannie.Rowland@schools.utah.aov

30 Monthly Directors' Discussion Session

Structures for Managing Your School

USOE – Board Rooms

8:30 - 3:00

Lunch & chocolate provided

Please RSVP to Jeannie Rowland no later than Wed., Jan. 21.

Jeannie.Rowland@schools.utah.gov

#### FEBRUARY, 2009:

UTIPS via Wimba (See sidebar to the right)

Please RSVP to Jeannie Rowland no later than Friday, Jan. 23.

Jeannie.Rowland@schools.utah.aov

Monthly Directors' Discussion Session 27

#### **Teacher Evaluations**

USOE – Board Rooms

8:30 - 3:00

Lunch & chocolate provided

Please RSVP to Jeannie Rowland no later than Wed., Feb. 18. Jeannie.Rowland@schools.utah.gov

Please see the charter school website for agendas, as well as training materials from previous sessions.

http://www.schools.utah.gov/charterschool s/trainina.htm

#### **DID YOU KNOW??**

The Center on Reinventing Public Education (CRPE) engages in independent research and policy analysis on a range of K-12 public education reform issues, including <u>choice & charters</u>, finance & productivity, teachers, leadership, and state & federal reform. In the box to the right are the highlights from the Choice & Charters Research. CRPE's home page can be found: <a href="http://www.crpe.org/cs/crpe/print/csr">http://www.crpe.org/cs/crpe/print/csr</a> docs/home.htm

One-Time Performance-Based Compensation Plans submitted by other charter schools and traditional districts can be found on the USOE website. If interested in viewing other plans, please visit:

http://www.schools.utah.gov/board/OTPBCP/index.htm

**The Educator Quality & Licensing Section** of the USOE provides a brief summary of Mentor Responsibilities for the Entry Year Enhancement (EYE) program. Please see:

http://www.schools.utah.gov/cert/other/eye/mentor/responsibilities.htm

# Rules Approved by the Board and Scheduled to be Published in the December 1, 2008 Utah State Bulletin

<u>R277-109</u> - One-time Signing Bonuses (Amended) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

<u>R277-110</u> - Legislative Supplemental Salary Adjustment (Amended) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

<u>R277-495</u> - Required Policies for Electronic Devices in Public Schools (New) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

<u>R277-502</u> - Educator Licensing and Data Retention (Amended) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

<u>R277-518</u> - Career and Technical Education Licenses (Amended) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

<u>R277-520</u> - Appropriate Licensing and Assignment of Teachers (Amended) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

<u>R277-527</u> - International Guest Teachers (New) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

<u>R277-911</u> - Secondary Career and Technical Education (Amended) First Possible Effective Date: January 7, 2009

#### Details can be found:

http://www.schools.utah.gov/LAW/USBE Rules in Process.htm



#### In honor of the holidays:

"It is a scientific fact that your body will not absorb cholesterol if you take it from another person's plate."

--Dave Barry

# **Choice & Charters**

The Center on Reinventing Public Education's work is based on two premises: that public schools should be measured against the goal of educating all children well, and that current institutions too often fail to achieve this goal. Our research uses evidence from the field and lessons learned from other sectors to understand complicated problems and design innovative and practical solutions for policymakers, elected officials, parents, educators, and community leaders.

Our work on school choice examines the role of public school options in education reform, including the effects on student achievement, labor markets, and district and state dynamics. See the projects listed below for a more in-depth look at the Center's current work in this area:

#### **Doing School Choice Right**

http://www.crpe.org/cs/crpe/view/projects/2

The Doing School Choice Right Project explores the practical challenges of implementing school choice programs and develops thoughtful designs to address key issues.

Some of the publications available for a free download at this site are:

Opening Doors: How Low-Income Parents
Search for the Right School

School Choice: Doing It the Right Way Makes <u>a Difference</u>

#### National Charter School Research Project

http://www.crpe.org/cs/crpe/view/projects/1

The National Charter School Research Project (NCSRP) aims to bring rigor, evidence, and balance to the national charter school debate.

Some of the publications available for a free download at this site are:

Working Without a Safety Net: How Charter
School Leaders Can Best Survive on the High
Wire

Closing the Skill Gap: New Options for Charter School Leadership Development

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